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# Company information

Directors

ML Timmins

NM Stevens

RMC Radcliffe (resigned 27th December 2020)

PE Hughes

SJ Hardwick (appointed 9th April 2021)

Secretary

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# Directors' report

The directors present their report and financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2020.

#### Principal activities and review of business

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was that of a property survey agency. The results for the year are summarised on page 9.

#### **Directors**

The directors who held office during the year and up to the signing of this report were as follows.

ML Timmins NM Stevens RMC Radcliffe (resigned 27<sup>th</sup> December 2020) PE Hughes SJ Hardwick (appointed 9<sup>th</sup> April 2021)

#### Dividends

The directors do not recommend payment of a dividend (2019: £1,200,000).

#### **Future Developments**

The Directors do not anticipate any material change in the activities of the company for the foreseeable future.

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

The Directors review and where possible mitigate known business risks. The principal risks of the Fintel plc (formerly the SimplyBiz Group plc) group of companies (the 'group') are detailed in the financial statements of Fintel plc. The directors do not believe that there are any significant risks and uncertainties associated with this company.

Actions taken to ensure that the business is well positioned to fully support the requirements of its customers and colleagues during the Covid 19 pandemic have been successful. The business experianced temporary disruption during the first national lockdown as activity in the housing market halted. The group responded quickly by placing surplus surveyors on the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS) until activity in the market reacted to positive stimulus via the governments stamp duty holiday. Trading resumed to pre-covid levels toward the final quarter of the year and continued to do so into 2021.

## Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which the directors consider to be appropriate for the following reasons.

The directors manage the Company alongside the other companies within the group, with group banking facilities in place of £45m until March 2024. The Group Directors have prepared cash flow forecasts for the Group for the period to December 2022 which indicate that, taking account of severe but plausible downside scenarios, the Group, including this Company will have sufficient funds, through the Group's combined banking facilities to meet its liabilities as they fall due for that period.

Fintel plc has indicated that it does not intend to seek repayment of the amounts due at the balance sheet date, for the period covered by the forecasts. As with any company placing reliance on other group entities for financial support, the directors acknowledge that there can be no certainty that this support will continue although, at the date of approval of these financial statements, they have no reason to believe that it will not do so

Consequently, the directors are confident that the company will have sufficient funds to continue to meet its liabilities as they fall due until at least December 2022 and therefore have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis.

# Directors' report (continued)

### Disclosure of information to auditor

The directors who held office at the date of approval of this directors' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware; and each director has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information.

#### Directors' indemnities

As permitted by the Articles of Association, the Directors have the benefit of a Directors' and Officers' liability insurance, which is a qualifying third-party indemnity provision as defined by Section 234 of the Companies Act 2006. This indemnity, purchased by Fintel plc (formerly The SimplyBiz Group plc) and applicable to the directors of the Company was in force throughout the last financial year and is currently in force.

#### Auditor

The group intends to hold a tender for audit services prior to the end of the financial year to 31 December 2021. KPMG has indicated that, following a commercial decision, it will not participate in this process and will therefore tender it's resignation at the time the new auditor has been selected. KPMG confirms there are no circumstances in connection with its planned resignation that should be brought to the attention of the members or creditors of the Company.

By-order of the board

ŇM Stevens

Director

Fintel House St, Andrews Road Huddersfield HD1 6NA

30 September 2021

# Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the Directors' Report and the financial statements

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK accounting standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework.

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 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;
- assess the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern; and
- use the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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 responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.



### KPMG LLP

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# Independent Auditor's report to the members of Gateway Surveying Services Limited

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Gateway Surveying Services Limited (the 'Company') for the year ended 31 December 2020, which comprise the Profit and loss account and Other Comprehensive Income, Balance sheet, Statement of changes in equity, and Notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 December 2020 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK accounting standards, including FRS 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework; 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 are described below. We have fulfilled our ethical responsibilities under, and are independent of the company in accordance with, UK ethical requirements including the FRC Ethical Standard. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is a sufficient and appropriate basis for our opinion.

#### Going concern

The directors have prepared the financial statements on the going concern basis as they do not intend to liquidate the company or to cease its operations, and as they have concluded that the company's financial position means that this is realistic. They have also concluded that there are no material uncertainties that could have cast significant doubt over its ability to continue as a going concern for at least a year from the date of approval of the financial statements ("the going concern period").

In our evaluation of the directors' conclusions, we considered the inherent risks to the company's business model and analysed how those risks might affect the company's financial resources or ability to continue operations over the going concern period.

Our conclusions based on this work:

- we consider that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate;
- we have not identified, and concur with the directors' assessment that there is not, a material uncertainty related to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern for the going concern period.

However, as we cannot predict all future events or conditions and as subsequent events may result in outcomes that are inconsistent with judgements that were reasonable at the time they were made, the above conclusions are not a guarantee that the company will continue in operation.

# Independent Auditor's report to the members of Gateway Surveying Services Limited (continued)

### Fraud and breaches of laws and regulations - ability to detect

Identifying and responding to risks of material misstatement due to fraud

To identify risks of material misstatement due to fraud ("fraud risks") we assessed events or conditions that could indicate an incentive or pressure to commit fraud or provide an opportunity to commit fraud. Our risk assessment procedures included:

- Enquiring of Directors and inspection of policy documentation as to the Company's high-level policies and
  procedures to prevent and detect fraud, and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged
  fraud.
- Reading board meeting minutes.
- Considering remuneration incentive schemes and performance targets for management, directors and staff.
- Using analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships.

We communicated identified fraud risks throughout the audit team and remained alert to any indications of fraud throughout the audit.

As required by auditing standards, and taking into account possible pressures to meet profit targets and our overall knowledge of the control environment, we perform procedures to address the risk of management override of controls and the risk of fraudulent revenue recognition, in particular the risk that revenue is not calculated appropriately or recorded in the wrong period and the risk that Company management may be in a position to make inappropriate accounting entries and the risk of bias in accounting estimates.

We did not identify any additional fraud risks.

We performed procedures including:

- Tested whether a sample of sales transactions were recognised in the correct period by vouching those to underlying supporting documentation.
- Identifying journal entries and other adjustments to test based on risk criteria and comparing the identified
  entries to supporting documentation. These included those with unexpected revenue account combinations
  during the financial year.

Identifying and responding to risks of material misstatement due to non-compliance with laws and regulations

We identified areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements from our general commercial and sector experience and through discussion with the directors and other management (as required by auditing standards), and discussed with the directors and other management the policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations.

We communicated identified laws and regulations throughout our team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit.

The potential effect of these laws and regulations on the financial statements varies considerably.

Firstly, the Company is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements including financial reporting legislation (including related companies legislation), distributable profits legislation and taxation legislation and we assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items.

Secondly, the Company is subject to many other laws and regulations where the consequences of non-compliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements, for instance through the imposition of fines or litigation. We identified the following areas as those most likely to have such an effect: health and safety, anti-bribery and employment law recognising the nature of the Company's activities. Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these laws and regulations to enquiry of the directors and other management and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. Therefore if a breach of operational regulations is not disclosed to us or evident from relevant correspondence, an audit will not detect that breach.

# Independent Auditor's report to the members of Gateway Surveying Services Limited (continued)

# Fraud and breaches of laws and regulations - ability to detect (continued)

Context of the ability of the audit to detect fraud or breaches of law or regulation

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it.

In addition, as with any audit, there remained a higher risk of non-detection of fraud, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. Our audit procedures are designed to detect material misstatement. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance or fraud and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

#### Directors' report

The directors are responsible for the directors' report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover that report and we do not express an audit opinion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the strategic report and the directors' report and, in doing so, consider whether, based on our financial statements audit work, the information therein is materially misstated or inconsistent with the financial statements or our audit knowledge. Based solely on that work:

- we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report;
- in our opinion the information given in that report for the financial year is consistent with the financial statements; and
- in our opinion that reports has been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

## Matters on which we are required to report by exception

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required 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; or
- the directors were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

We have nothing to report in these respects.

#### Directors' responsibilities

As explained more fully in their statement set out on page 4, the directors are responsible for: the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view; such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; 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 they either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's responsibilities

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 our opinion in an auditor's report. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but does not 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 aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

A fuller description of our responsibilities is provided on the FRC's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities

# Independent Auditor's report to the members of Gateway Surveying Services Limited (continued)

The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities

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.

Paul Nichols

Paul Nichols (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants
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Date: 4 October 2021

# Profit and loss account and other comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2020

	Note	31 December 2020 £	31 December 2019 £
Turnover Cost of sales		7,148,678 (1,712,238)	8,536,428 (6,369,694)
Gross proft Administrative expenses		5,436,440 (5,937,588)	2,166,734 (1,076,357)
Operating (loss)/profit		(501,148)	1,090,377
(Loss)/profit before taxation Tax on (loss)/profit	4	(501,148)	1,090,377 (127,614)
(Loss)/profit for the financial year		(501,148)	962,763

There are no items to be included in Other Comprehensive Income in the current or preceding year.

The notes on pages 12 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

# **Balance** sheet

at 31 December 2020

	Note	21 Dagge	mber 2020	21 Dec	cember 2019
		Si Decei £	11 Der 2020 £	£	£
Fixed assets Tangible assets	5		311	_	17,278
Investments	7		612,180		612,180
Lease asset	5 & 6		164,292		293,735
			776,783		923,193
Current assets					
Debtors	9	1,939,214		1,661,391	
Cash at bank and in hand		476,419		1,566,302	
		2,415,633		3,227,693	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(2,708,912)		(3,088,347)	
Net current assets			(293,279)		139,346
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year					
Lease liability	6		(46,931)		(124,818)
Net assets			436,573		937,721
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	12		1,258		1,258
Share premium			2,862		2,862
Profit and loss account			432,453		933,601
Shareholders' funds			436,573		937,721

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 30 September 2021 and were signed on its hehalf by:

MM Stevens Director

Registered no: 05548792

The notes on pages 12 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

# Statement of changes in equity at 31 December 2020

at 31 December 2020				
	Called up share capital £	Share premium £	Profit and loss account £	Total equity £
Balance at 1 January 2019	1,258	2,862	1,170,838	1,174,958
Total comprehensive income for the period Profit for the period	-		962,763	962,763
Total comprehensive income for the period	-		962,763	962,763
Transactions with owners, recorded directly in equity Dividends	-	-	(1,200,000)	(1,200,000)
Total contributions by and distributions to owners	-	-	(1,200,000)	(1,200,000)
Balance at 31 December 2019	1,258	2,862	933,601	937,721
Balance at 1 January 2020	1,258	2,862	933,601	937,721
Total comprehensive income for the period (Loss) for the period	-	-	(501,148)	(501,148)
Total comprehensive income for the period	-		(501,148)	(501,148)
Transactions with owners, recorded directly in equity Dividends	-	-	-	-
Total contributions by and distributions to owners	-	-		-
Balance at 31 December 2020	1,258	2,862	432,453	436,573

The notes on pages 12 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

#### Notes

(forming part of the financial statements)

# 1 Accounting policies

Gateway Surveying Services Limited (the "Company") is a company limited by shares and incorporated and domiciled in the UK. The address of its principal place of business is Weston House, Bradgate Park View, Chellaston, Derby, DE73 5UJ.

These financial statements were prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 101"). The presentation currency of these financial statements is pound sterling.

The Company's ultimate parent undertaking, Fintel plc (formerly The SimplyBiz Group plc) includes the Company in its consolidated financial statements. The consolidated financial statements of Fintel plc are available to the public and may be obtained from Fintel House, St. Andrews Road, Huddersfield, HD1 6NA. In these financial statements, the company is considered to be a qualifying entity (for the purposes of this FRS) and has applied the exemptions available under FRS 101 in respect of the following disclosures:

- Reconciliation of the number of shares outstanding from the beginning to end of the period;
- Cash Flow Statement and related notes;
- Key Management Personnel compensation;
- · Disclosures in respect of capital management;
- The effects of new but not yet effective IFRSs; and
- Certain disclosures required by IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement and the disclosures required by IFRS 7 Financial Instrument Disclosures.

The accounting policies set out below have, unless otherwise stated, been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements.

#### 1.1 Measurement convention

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis.

#### 1.2 Going concern

Notwithstanding, a loss for the year ended 31 December 2020 of £345,611,The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which the directors consider to be appropriate for the following reasons.

The directors manage the Company alongside the other companies within the Fintel group of companies ('the group'), with group banking facilities in place of £45m until March 2024, of which £24m is drawn as of 30 June 2021. The Group Directors have prepared cash flow forecasts for the Group for the period to December 2022 which indicate that, taking account of severe but plausible downside scenarios, the Group, including this Company will have sufficient funds, through the Group's combined banking facilities to meet its liabilities as they fall due for that period.

Various sensitivity analyses have been performed to assess the impact of more severe but plausible downside scenarios to future trading including a 33% reduction in revenue linked to the mortgage market affecting both valuations and commissions, a 33% reduction in core membership revenue, and a 50% reduction in Marketing Service Agreements all from July 2021 onwards. All scenarios have been modelled separately and combined, on the separate assumptions that management take no action, and that debt repayments are paused until the revenue position normalises. Under these severe but plausible downside scenarios the Group continues to operate within its available facilities and does not incur any covenant breaches.

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.2 Going concern (continued)

The position of the company is dependent on Fintel plc (formerly The SimplyBiz Group plc) not seeking repayment of the amounts currently due to other entities within the group, which at 31 December 2020 amounted to £923,063. Fintel plc has indicated its intention to continue to make available such funds as are needed by the company, and that it does not intend to seek repayment of the amounts due at the balance sheet date, for the period covered by the forecasts. As with any company placing reliance on other group entities for financial support, the directors acknowledge that there can be no certainty that this support will continue although, at the date of approval of these financial statements, they have no reason to believe that it will not do so.

Consequently, the directors are confident that the company will have sufficient funds to continue to meet its liabilities as they fall due until at least December 2022 and therefore have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis

#### 1.3 Business combinations

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method as at the acquisition date, which is the date on which control is transferred to the Company.

The Company measures goodwill at the acquisition date as:

- the fair value of the consideration (excluding contingent consideration) transferred; plus
- estimated amount of contingent consideration; plus
- the recognised amount of any non-controlling interests in the acquiree; plus
- the fair value of the existing equity interest in the acquiree; less
- the net recognised amount (generally fair value) of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed. . .

Costs related to the acquisition, other than those associated with the issue of debt or equity securities, are expensed as incurred.

#### 1.4 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The Company makes estimates and assumptions regarding the future. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. In the future, actual experience may differ from these estimates and assumptions.

The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities or to the financial statements in general within the next financial year are discussed below:

#### Impairment of trade receivables

The Company makes an estimate of the recoverable value of trade and other debtors. A provision for impairment of trade receivables is recognised based on lifetime expected losses, but principally comprise balances where objective evidence exists that the amount will not be collectible.

## 1.5 Classification of financial instruments issued by the Company

In accordance with FRS 101, financial instruments issued by the Company are treated as equity only to the extent that they meet the following two conditions:

- they include no contractual obligations upon the company to deliver cash or other financial assets or to exchange financial assets or financial liabilities with another party under conditions that are potentially unfavourable to the company; and
- where the instrument will or may be settled in the company's own equity instruments, it is either a nonderivative that includes no obligation to deliver a variable number of the company's own equity instruments or is a derivative that will be settled by the company's exchanging a fixed amount of cash or other financial assets for a fixed number of its own equity instruments.

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

## 1.5 Classification of financial instruments issued by the Company (continued)

To the extent that this definition is not met, the proceeds of issue are classified as a financial liability. Where the instrument so classified takes the legal form of the company's own shares, the amounts presented in these financial statements for called up share capital and share premium account exclude amounts in relation to those shares.

#### 1.6 Non-derivative financial instruments

Non-derivative financial instruments comprise investments in equity, trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents, loans and borrowings and trade and other payables.

#### Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are recognised at fair value, minus expected future losses. A provision for impairment of trade receivables is recognised based on lifetime expected losses, but principally comprise balances where objective evidence exists that the amount will not be collectible. Such amounts are written down to their estimated recoverable amounts, with the charge being made to operating expenses.

#### Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are recognised at fair value.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and call deposits. Bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Group's cash management are included as a component of cash and cash equivalents for the purpose only of the statement of cash flows.

#### Amounts owed by / to Group Undertakings

Amounts owed to group undertakings are classified as current liabilities unless specific payment terms are in place. Amounts owed by group undertakings are classified as non-current assets unless management expect to call upon the balance within one year, in which case they are classified as current assets.

### Investments in ordinary shares

Investments in equity instruments are measured initially at fair value, which is normally the transaction price. Transaction costs are excluded if the investments are subsequently measured at fair value through profit and loss. Subsequent to initial recognition investments that can be measured reliably are measured at fair value with changes recognition in profit or loss. Other investments are measured at cost less impairment in profit or loss.

#### 1.7 Leases

At the inception of a contract, the Company assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. IFRS 16.

### As a lessee

At commencement or on modification of a contract that contains a lease component, along with one or more other lease or non-lease components, the Company accounts for each lease component separately from the non-lease components. However, for the leases of class of underlying asset, the Company has elected not to separate non-lease components and account for the lease and non-lease components as a single lease component. The Company allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of its relative stand-alone price and the aggregate stand-alone price of the non-lease components.

The Company recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred, less any lease incentives received.

#### Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.7 Leases (continued)

The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the end of the lease term, unless the lease transfers ownership of the underlying asset to the Company by the end of the lease term or the cost of the right-of-use asset reflects that the Company will exercise a purchase option. In that case the right-of-use asset will be depreciated over the useful life of the underlying asset, which is determined on the same basis as those of property and equipment. In addition, the right-of-use asset is periodically reduced by impairment losses, if any, and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Company's incremental borrowing rate.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise the following:

- fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payments;
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date;
- amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee;
- the exercise price under a purchase option that the Company is reasonably certain to exercise,
- penalties for early termination of a lease unless the Company is reasonably certain not to terminate early.

The lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, there is a change in the Company's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, if the Company changes its assessment of whether it will exercise a purchase, extension or termination option or if there is a revised in-substance fixed lease payment.

When the lease liability is remeasured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, to the extent that the right-of-use asset is reduced to nil, with any further adjustment required from the remeasurement being recorded in profit or loss.

The Company presents right-of-use assets that do not meet the definition of investment property in 'property, plant and equipment' and lease liabilities in 'loans and borrowings' in the statement of financial position.

Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Company has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for lease of low-value assets and short-term leases. The Company recognises the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

#### 1.8 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Where parts of an item of tangible fixed assets have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items of tangible fixed assets, for example land is treated separately from buildings.

The company assesses at each reporting date whether tangible fixed assets (including those leased under a finance lease) are impaired.

Depreciation is charged to the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of each part of an item of tangible fixed assets. Leased assets are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives. Land is not depreciated. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

• fixtures and fittings: 25% straight line

Motor Vehicles: 2-3 years
 Office Equipment: 5 years
 Property: 20 years

#### Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.8 Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed if there is an indication of a significant change since last annual reporting date in the pattern by which the company expects to consume an asset's future economic benefits

#### 1.9 Provisions

A provision is recognised in the balance sheet when the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, that can be reliably measured and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Provisions are recognised at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

Where the Company enters into financial guarantee contracts to guarantee the indebtedness of other companies within its group, the company treats the guarantee contract as a contingent liability until such time as it becomes probable that the company will be required to make a payment under the guarantee.

#### 1.10 Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognised by reference to the five-step model set out in IFRS 15. Revenue is recognised when an entity transfers goods or services to a customer, measured at the amount to which the entity expects to be entitled. Depending on whether certain criteria are met, revenue is recognised:

- · over time, in a manner that depicts the entity's performance; or
- at a point in time, when control of the good or service is transferred to the customer.

The following specific recognition criteria must also be met before revenue is recognised:

#### Valuation services

Revenue is recognised at the point at which the service is delivered to the customer, based on the agreed price. No performance obligations exist beyond the provision of the service. No significant judgements are involved in the valuation of the revenues.

#### 1.11 Expenses

Interest receivable and Interest payable

Interest payable and similar charges include interest payable, finance charges on shares classified as liabilities and finance leases recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method, unwinding of the discount on provisions, and net foreign exchange losses that are recognised in the profit and loss account (see foreign currency accounting policy).

Other interest receivable and similar income include interest receivable on funds invested and net foreign exchange gains.

Interest income and interest payable are recognised in profit or loss as they accrue, using the effective interest method. Dividend income is recognised in the profit and loss account on the date the company's right to receive payments is established. Foreign currency gains and losses are reported on a net basis.

## 1.12 Taxation

Tax on the profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the profit and loss account except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity or other comprehensive income, in which case it is recognised directly in equity or other comprehensive income.

Current tax is the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Deferred tax is provided on timing differences which arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in the financial statements. The following timing differences are not provided for: differences between accumulated depreciation and tax allowances for the cost of a fixed asset if and when all conditions for retaining the tax allowances have been met; and differences relating to investments in subsidiaries, to the extent that it is not probable that they will reverse in the foreseeable future and the reporting entity is able to control the reversal of the timing difference.

# 1 Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.12 Taxation (continued)

Deferred tax is not recognised on permanent differences arising because certain types of income or expense are non-taxable or are disallowable for tax or because certain tax charges or allowances are greater or smaller than the corresponding income or expense.

Deferred tax is provided in respect of the additional tax that will be paid or avoided on differences between the amount at which an asset (other than goodwill) or liability is recognised in a business combination and the corresponding amount that can be deducted or assessed for tax. Goodwill is adjusted by the amount of such deferred tax.

Deferred tax is measured at the tax rate that is expected to apply to the reversal of the related difference, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date. Deferred tax balances are not discounted.

Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that is it probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

#### 2 Profit and Loss account Information

The company's activities consist solely of the Company's principal activity in the UK.

The operating profit is stated after charging:

	31 December 2020	31 December	
		2019	
	£	£	
Depreciation – leased assets	214,550	28,708	
Depreciation – owned assets	16,967	-	

Auditors remuneration of £10,800 (2019: £4,950) is borne by a fellow group company.

On 31 December 2019, the Company hived up the trade and net assets of fellow group companies, Landmark Surveyors Limited (Landmark) and Sonas Surveyors Limited (Sonas). Up to this date the Company would, during peak times, sub-contract surveying jobs to Sonas and Landmark and would recognise the associated cost as a cost of sale. Post-hive, all jobs are completed using company resource which is recorded in administrative expenses. The below table provides a prior year comparative for the companies adjusted cost profile.

	Reported at 31 Dec 2019	Hive impact on cost profile	Prior year comparative
Cost of sale Administrative expenses	6,369,694 1,076,357	(5,095,087) 5,095,087	1,274,607 6,171,444

## 3 Staff numbers and costs

There were no employees during the year other than directors. All staff costs, including directors' costs, are paid by the parent company and recharged to the company via management charges. The Company was recharged £88,000 with respect to Directors' costs (2019: £76,000). This is considered to be equivalent to the amount attributable to the services provided by the directors to the Company.

# 4 Taxation

Total tax charge recognised in the profit and loss account

Total tax charge recognised in the profit and toss account		
	31 December	31 December
	2020	2019
	£	£
Current tax	•	~
Current tax on income for the period		i 420
	-	1,430
Adjustments in respect of prior periods	-	126,184
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Total current tax		127 (14
i otal current tax	-	127,614
Deferred tax		
Origination and reversal of timing differences	•	
Origination and reversal of timing differences	-	-
Total deferred tax (see note 10)		
Total deterred tax (see note 10)	-	-
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Total tax charge	_	127,614
10mm mm charge	<del>-</del>	127,014
Reconciliation of effective tax rate		
	31 December	31 December
	2020	2019
	£	£
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(Loss)/profit for the year	(501,148)	962,763
Total tax charge	(301,140)	•
Total tax charge	-	127,614
	•	
(Loss)/profit before taxation	(501,148)	1,090,377
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Tax using the UK corporation tax rate of 19% (2019: 19%)	(95,218)	207,172
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Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	6,776	1,362
Group relief surrendered	•	•
	91,920	(207,104)
Adjustments in respect of prior years	· -	126,184
Capital allowance in excess of depreciation	(3,478)	
Tradition draws included: Alexandra		100.55
Total tax charge included in the profit or loss	-	127,564

## Changes affecting the future tax charge

Reductions in the UK corporation tax rate from 19% to 17% (effective from 1 April 2020) was substantively enacted on 6 September 2017. The March 2020 Budget announced that a rate of 19% would continue to apply with effect from 1 April 2020, and this change was substantively enacted on 17 March 2020.

# 5 Tangible fixed assets

3 Tangible fixed assets					
	Property	Motor vehicles	Office equipment	Fitxtures and fittings	Total
•	£	£	equipment £	and rittings	1 Otal
Cost		_	-	_	
At 1 January 2020	46,652	263,574	22,546	43,126	375,898
Additions	-	86,107		-	86,107
Disposals	-	(7,982)	(10,329)	(5,674)	(23,985)
Balance at 31 December 2020	46,652	341,699	12,217	37,452	438,020
Depreciation and impairment					
Balance at 1 January 2020	24,440	-	4,268	36,177	64,885
Depreciation charge for the year	22,212	188,903	14,764	6,638	232,517
Disposals	-	(7,982)	(10,329)	(5,674)	(23,985)
Balance at 31 December 2020	46,652	180,921	8,703	37,141	273,417
Net book value		<del></del>	<u> </u>	<del></del>	<del></del>
At 31 December 2019	22,212	263,574	18,278	6,949	311,013
At 31 December 2020	-	160,778	3,514	311	164,603
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At 31 December, net book values comprise:					

	Property £	Motor vehicles £	Office equipment £	Fitxtures and fittings	Total £
Owned assets	-	-		311	311
Leased assets (see note 6)	<del>-</del>	160,778	3,514	<u>.</u>	164,292
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# 6 Leases

# Amounts recognised in the statement of financial position

The balance sheet shows the following amounts relating to leases

# Right-of-use assets

Right-of-use assets related to lease properties that do not meet the definition of investment properties are presented as property, plant and equipment (see note 5):

	Property £	Motor Vehicles £	Office equipment £	Total £
Balance at 1 January 2020	22,212	263,574	7,949	293,735
Additions of right-of-use assets Depreciation charge for the year	(22.212)	86,107	(4.425)	86,107
Depreciation charge for the year	(22,212)	(188,903)	(4,435)	(215,550)
Balance at 31 December 2020		160,778	3,514	164,292
Lease Liabilities				
The following lease liabilities existed at 31 December:				
			2020	2019
Current liability (note 9)			£ 109,859	£ 167,857
Non-current liability			46,931	124,818
Closing balance			156,790	292,675
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Changes in the lease liability from financing activities:				
·		•		2020
				£
Opening balance				292,675
Other changes:				
Additions Lease payments				86,107
Interest charged				(221,197) (795)
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Closing balance	,			156,790

# 6 Leases (continued)

Amounts recognised in profit or loss

The following amounts have been recognised in profit or loss for which the Company is a lessee:

	31 December 2020 £	31 December 2019 £
Lease depreciation Interest charged on lease liability	215,550 795	28,708
7 Investments		Shares in group
		undertakings £
Cost At 31 December 2019 and 31 December 2020		612,180
Net book value At 31 December 2020		612,180
At 31 December 2019	*	612.180

The company's investment at the balance sheet date consists of the share capital in the following companies.

Sonas Surveyors Limited (registered office: Fintel House, St. Andrews Road, Huddersfield, HD1 6NA)

Nature of business: Residual survey and valuation services

Class of shares	% holding
Ordinary	100.00
Ordinary B	100.00

The directors consider the carrying value of investments to be supported by the net assets and future cash flows of the businesses.

# 8 Hive-up

Hive up in the prior period

On 31 December 2019, the Company hived up the assets and liabilities of fellow group companies, Landmark Surveyors Limited and Sonas Surveyors Limited. Total consideration transferred totalled £1,727,557 resulting in no goodwill being recognised on acquisition.

# Effect of hive up

The acquisition had the following effect on the Company's assets and liabilities.

	Landmark Surveyors Limited values on hive up £	Surveyors Limited values	Total £
Acquirec's net assets at the acquisition date:	-	-	-
Tangible fixed assets	17,278	-	17,278
Lease asset	46,873	216,701	263,574
Trade and other debtors	914,537	698,077	211,420
Cash	195,253	428,451	623,704
Lease liability	(50,157)	(213,083)	(263,240)
Trade and other creditors	(427,617)	(122,562)	586,761
Deferred tax asset (note 12)	23,806		23,806
Net identifiable assets and liabilities	719,973	1,007,584	1,727,557
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#### 9 Debtors

31 December	31 December
2020	2019
£	£
994,391	1,225,608
693,497	165,195
133,826	150,277
102,777	96,505
14,691	23,806
1,939,214	1,661,391
	2020 £ 994,391 693,497 133,826 .102,777 14,691

Amounts owed by group undertakings are repayable on demand and do not attract interest.

# 10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	31 December 2020 £	31 December 2019 £
Trade creditors	13,717	4,580
Amounts owed to group undertakings	1,687,654	1,688,852
VAT creditor	345,862	452,143
Other creditors and accruals	482,017	623,286
Deferred income	69,803	25,250
Corporation tax liability	· -	126,379
Lease liability	109,859	167,857
	2,708,912	3,088,347
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Amounts owed to group undertakings are repayable on demand and do not attract interest.

# 11 Deferred tax assets

Deferred tax assets are attributable to the following:

3	1 December 2020 £	31 December 2019 £
Accelerated capital allowances	14,691	23,806
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Deferred tax assets	14,691	23,806

#### 12 Share capital

			31 December	31 December
			2020	2019
Allotted, issued and fully paid:			£	£
Number	Class:	Nominal value:		
1,258	Ordinary	£I	1,258	1,258

There is a single class of Ordinary share. There are no restrictions on the distribution of dividends or the repayment of capital.

## 13 Contingencies

The company has provided a guarantee against the bank loans of Fintel plc (formerly The SimplyBiz Group plc), the ultimate parent company. The total amount outstanding at 31 December 2020 amounted to £30,000,000 (2019: £38,000,000).

#### 14 Related party disclosures

The company has taken advantage of the exemption within FRS 101 and therefore not disclosed details of transactions with fellow companies within the group headed by Fintel plc (formerly The SimplyBiz Group plc).

# 15 Ultimate parent company and controlling party

The immediate parent undertaking is Simply Biz Limited.

The financial statements contain information about Gateway Surveying Services Limited as an individual company and do not contain consolidated financial information as the parent of a group. The company is exempt under Section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirements to prepare consolidated financial statements.

The ultimate parent undertaking is Fintel plc (formerly The SimplyBiz Group plc), which is the only set of consolidated financial statements which include the results of the company. These accounts can be obtained from the company's registered office.

In the opinion of the directors, the ultimate controlling party is Fintel plc.