# SPIRE THAMES VALLEY HOSPITAL PROPCO LIMITED ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021



#### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

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#### STRATEGIC REPORT

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The directors of Spire Thames Valley Hospital Propco Limited (the "Company") present their Strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2021.

#### Fair review of the business

The Company performed in line with expectations during the year.

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

The principal risks and uncertainties of the Company are managed at a Group level as part of the enterprisewide risk management approach adopted by Spire. The Company is indirectly exposed to a number of risks as a subsidiary of the Group which are discussed below:

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

Climate Change - New risk

In 2021, the Board decided that the likelihood of financial loss from an adverse weather event linked to climate change was becoming likely enough to consider Climate Change now as a Principal Risk to Spire Healthcare Group plc and its strategy. Our climate-related risks include severe storm weather events which has the potential to cause major damage and disruption to our sites and buildings, prolonged spells of extreme ambient temperatures, energy price fluctuation as providing healthcare is a relatively energy intensive business and changes in laws and regulations including failure to meet net zero targets and obligations.

#### COVID-19

The Board considers that the COVID-19 virus represents an ongoing material risk to the Group. Repeated waves of infection occur from current or future variants of COVID-19 that risk overwhelming the NHS and forcing HM Government to re-introduce severe lockdown measures regionally or nationally. Further lockdown measures could adversely impact Spire Healthcare Group plc's operations and profitability due to the reduction of elective procedures, increased COVID costs and staff absence. This could have a material impact on the Group's profitability and cash generation. Foreseeable scenarios from further waves of COVID-19 infections have been modelled as part of the going concern and viability testing by management.

#### Credit risk

Credit risk arises principally from the Company's receivables of rent from Spire Healthcare Limited, a fellow group undertaking of Spire Healthcare Group plc, which, as the principal operating company of the Group, has leased the hospital property for a term of up to 33 years up to August 2040.

#### Overall risk management

Overall risk is managed with reference to Spire Healthcare Group plc and its subsidiaries (the "Group") and the principal risks and uncertainties facing the Company are therefore integrated with those facing the Group as a whole. Further information is provided in the 2021 Annual Report and Accounts of Spire Healthcare Group plc, which is available at www.spirehealthcare.com.

#### Key performance indicators

In view of the straight forward nature of the business, the Directors do not consider the use of key performance indicators necessary to provide an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business.

#### STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

#### Directors' duties and Section 172 statement

The Company, as a property holding company, has no employees or suppliers and as such the Directors primarily consider the interests of the Spire Healthcare Group ("the Group") and its ultimate parent company, Spire Healthcare Group plc ("SPLC") and its subsidiary, Spire Healthcare Limited, when having regard to performing their duties on matters set out under Section 172 as outlined below:

- a) The likely consequences of any decisions in the long term
- b) The interest of the Company's employees
- c) The need to foster the Company's business relationships with suppliers, customers and others
- d) The impact of the Company's operations on the community and the environment
- e) The desirability of the Company maintaining a reputation for high standards of business conduct and
- f) The need to act fairly as between members of the Company.

The key decisions approved during the year were made in line with the strategic goals and objectives of both its ultimate parent company, Spire Healthcare Group plc and its main trading subsidiary, Spire Healthcare Limited.

On behalf of the board

H S Samra

**Director** 

4 November 2022

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The directors present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

#### **Principal activities**

The principal activity of Spire Thames Valley Hospital Propco Limited is the leasing of hospital property to Spire Healthcare Limited under a long lease, further details of which are contained in note 16. There were no changes in its activities during the year.

#### Results and dividends

The profit for the year, after taxation, amounted to £1,360,000 (2020: £1,355,000). A prior period error was recognised in the period and the comparative has been retrospectively restated. The effect of the restatement increased the 2020 reported profit by £303,000 refer to note19 for further details.

No ordinary dividends were paid. The directors do not recommend payment of a final dividend.

#### **Directors**

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

J J Ash

P J Corfield

J H Sodha

H S Samra

(Appointed 30 March 2022)

#### Qualifying third party indemnity provisions

As at the date of this report and during the year, the Company had in force an indemnity provision in favour of one or more Directors of the Company, against liability in respect of proceedings brought by third parties, subject to the conditions set out in section 234 of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Post reporting date events

Details of post balance sheet events impacting the company are included in note 17.

#### **Future developments**

The Directors do not foresee any changes in the Company's activities in the foreseeable future.

#### **Auditor**

The auditor, Ernst & Young LLP, is deemed to be reappointed under section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Statement of disclosure to auditor

So far as each person who was a director at the date of approving this report is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware. Additionally, the directors individually have taken all the necessary steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of all relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

# DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

#### Going concern

The Company operates as part of the Spire Healthcare Group. The day to day liquidity requirements of the Company are sourced either from within the Company or, where necessary, from the continued support of certain other entities within the Spire Healthcare Group, such support having been confirmed in writing by Spire Healthcare Group plc as available until 30 November 2023.

The Group assessed going concern risk for a 12 month period through to 30 November 2023. As at 30 June 2022 the Group had cash of £96m, a Senior Loan Facility of £325m and an undrawn Revolving Credit Facility of £100m. On 24 February 2022, the Group successfully refinanced its debt facilities with a syndicate of existing and new Lenders. As part of the refinancing exercise and in recognition of the fact that the Group had substantial cash reserves at 31 December 2021, the Group repaid £100m of the Senior Loan Facility. The new arrangement has a maturity of 4 years, with the Group having the option to extend by another year before the first anniversary of the February 2022 completion date. The financial covenants relating to this new agreement are materially unchanged.

The Group has undertaken extensive activity to identify plausible risks which may arise and mitigating actions, which in the first instance would include management of working capital and constrained levels of capital investment.

Specific scenarios covered by its testing were as follows:

- a key hospital is subject to permanent or temporary suspension of trade, for example, due to a major fire or regulatory matter;
- the Group is subject to temporary suspension of trade, with a temporary adverse impact on revenue, for example, as a result of a successful cyber-attack on key business systems;
- the downside modelling of a number of risks which result in a decline in earnings, including the loss of a contractual relationship with a key insurer;
- · significant change in Government policy resulting in Consultants going on payroll;
- · short-term disruption to trade at a sub-set of hospitals owing to an extreme weather event; and
- the business is subject to significant uninsured losses arising from medical malpractice, negligence or similar claims.

This review included the following key assumptions:

- no change in capital structure given the Group has refinanced its existing senior finance facility and revolving credit facility since 30 June 2022; and
- the Government will not make significant change to its existing policy towards utilising private provision of healthcare services to supplement the NHS.

The Group has also assessed, as part of its reverse stress testing, what degree of downturn in trading it could sustain before it no longer forecasts a positive cash balance. This stress testing was based on flexing revenue downwards with a consistent percentage decline in variable costs, whilst maintaining the forecast of fixed costs. The testing did not allow for the benefit of any action that could be taken by management to preserve cash. This testing suggested that there would have to be at least a 38% fall in annual revenue before the Group no longer forecast a positive cash balance. We do not believe that such a reduction of income revenue is a plausible consequence of the Group's identified principal risks.

It should be noted that we are in a period of unprecedented geo-political and macro-economic uncertainty. Whilst the Directors continue to closely monitor these risks and their plausible impact, their severity is hard to predict and is dependent upon many external factors. Accordingly the actual financial impact of these risks may materially vary against the current view of their plausible impact.

Based on the current assessment of the likelihood of these risks arising by 30 November 2023, together with their assessment of the planned mitigating actions being successful, the Directors have concluded it is appropriate to prepare the accounts on a going concern basis. In arriving at their conclusion, the Directors have also noted that, were these risks to arise in combination, it could result in a liquidity constraint or breach of covenant, however, the risk of this is considered remote.

# DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

Approved by the Board and signed on its behalf by:

H S Samra

Director

4 November 2022

# DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The Directors are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and regulations.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law), including 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 in accordance with IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors and then apply them consistently;
- · make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- present information, including accounting policies, in a manner that provides relevant, reliable, comparable and understandable information:
- provide additional disclosures when compliance with the specific requirements in FRS 101 is insufficient to enable users to understand the impact of particular transactions, other events and conditions on the group and company financial position and financial performance;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards, including FRS 101, have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Under applicable law and regulations, the directors are also responsible for preparing a strategic report and directors' report, that comply with that law and those regulations. The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

#### TO THE MEMBER OF SPIRE THAMES VALLEY HOSPITAL PROPCO LIMITED

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Spire Thames Valley Hospital Propco Limited for the year ended 31 December 2021 which comprise the income statement, the statement of financial position, the statement of changes in equity and the related notes 1 to 19, 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 2021 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. 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

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period to 30 November 2023.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report. However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this statement is not a guarantee as to the company's ability to continue as a going concern.

#### 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 contained within the annual report.

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.

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 course of 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 themselves. 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 (CONTINUED) TO THE MEMBER OF SPIRE THAMES VALLEY HOSPITAL PROPCO LIMITED

#### 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 set out on page 6, 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.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED) TO THE MEMBER OF SPIRE THAMES VALLEY HOSPITAL PROPCO LIMITED

#### 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.

#### Explanation as to what extent the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect irregularities, including fraud. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and management.

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the company and determined that the most significant are those that relate to the reporting framework (FRS 101 and the Companies Act 2006) and the relevant tax compliance regulations in the jurisdictions in which the Company operates.
- We understood how the company is complying with those frameworks by making enquires of management and directors, those responsible for legal and compliance procedures and the Company Secretary. We corroborated our enquires through our review of Board minutes. We read reports from third party specialists. We have involved internal specialists as required in designing procedures and assessing compliance with relevant laws and regulations.
- We assessed the susceptibility of the company's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur by considering the risk of management override by posting fraudulent manual entries in relation to the valuation of investment properties. We incorporated data analytics into our testing of manual journal entries, including segregation of duties. We tested specific transactions to underlying source documentation and evidence of appropriate authorisation of transactions. We also considered performance targets and their propensity to influence efforts made by management to manage earnings or influence the perceptions of stakeholders. We considered the internal processes that the company has established to address the risks identified, or that otherwise prevent, deter, and detect fraud; and how senior management monitors these internal processes. Where this risk was considered to be higher, we performed audit procedures to address each identified fraud risk.
- Based on this understanding we designed our audit procedures to identify noncompliance with such laws and regulations. Our procedures involved; review of board minutes to identify non-compliance with such laws and regulations; enquires with management; testing of manual journals identified by specific risk criteria.

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 (CONTINUED) TO THE MEMBER OF SPIRE THAMES VALLEY HOSPITAL PROPCO LIMITED

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the company's member 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 member those matters we are required to state to the member 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 member for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Ernst & Young LLP

Spela Stefanov (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Ernst & Young LLP, Statutory Auditor London

Date: 4 November 2022

# INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

		2021	2020
			Restated
	Notes	£'000	£'000
Rental income		1,849	1 947
		•	1,847
Depreciation		(150)	(150)
Profit before taxation	4	1,699	1,697
Tax on profit	8	(339)	(342)
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Profit for the financial year		1,360	1,355
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The income statement has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

No other gains and losses other than those above have occurred, therefore no separate statement of comprehensive income has been prepared.

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

		2021		2020	
	Notes	£'000	£'000	Restated £'000	£'000
Non-current assets					
Investment property	9		6,936		7,086
Current assets					
Trade and other receivables falling due					
after more than one year	11	6,305		4,450	
Current liabilities	10	(1,567)		(1,222)	
Net current assets			4,738		3,228
Total assets less current liabilities			11,674		10,314
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Equity				•	
Called up share capital	13		-		_
Retained earnings			11,674		10,314
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The notes set out on pages 14 - 27 are an integral part of these financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 4 November 2022 and are signed on its behalf by:

H S Samra

Director

Company Registration No. 06480375

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

As restated for the period ended 31 December 2020:		Retained earnings £'000
Balance at 1 January 2020		7,470
Effect of prior period error	19	1,489
As restated		8,959
Year ended 31 December 2020:		
Profit and total comprehensive income for the year		1,355
Balance at 31 December 2020		10,314
Year ended 31 December 2021:		
Profit and total comprehensive income for the year		1,360
Balance at 31 December 2021		11,674

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

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### Company information

Spire Thames Valley Hospital Propco Limited is a private company limited by shares incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 3 Dorset Rise, London, EC4Y 8EN. The company's principal activities and nature of its operations are disclosed in the directors' report.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

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

The Company's functional and presentational currency is the British Pound, denominated by the symbol "£", and unless otherwise stated, the financial statements have been presented in thousands ('000).

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

#### Summary of disclosure exemptions

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

- · the requirements of IAS 7 Statement of Cash Flows;
- the requirements of IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures;
- · 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;
- the requirements of paragraphs 62, B64(d), B64(e), B64(g), B64(h), B64(j) to B64(m), B64(n)(ii), B64(o)(ii), B64(p), B64(q)(ii), B66 and B67 of IFRS 3 Business Combinations; and
- the requirements of paragraph 30 and 31 of IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors.

The financial statements of the Company are consolidated in the financial statements of Spire Healthcare Group plc. The consolidated financial statements are available from www.spirehealthcare.com.

#### 1.2 Prior period error

A prior period adjustment was recognised due to an error in the calculation used to spread rental income on a straight-line over the lease term. The lease has a minimum annual rent increase of 2.5%, but this has not been factored into the calculation and instead future increases had previously been set to nil.

The correction has been retrospectively restated to the beginning of the lease in 2015, with the cumulative effect from 2015 to 31 December 2019 reflected through Retained earnings in the Statement of Changes in Equity. The year ended 31 December 2020 has been restated and is reconciled in Note 19

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

#### 1 Accounting policies

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#### 1.3 Going concern

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

#### 1 Accounting policies

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#### Going concern (continued)

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#### 1.4 Investment properties

Investment Properties are measured initially at cost, including transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties continue to be accounted for at cost less accumulated depreciation, depreciated over their useful economic lives, as follows:

Freehold Buildings

5-50 years

No depreciation is provided on land.

#### Impairment of non-financial assets

Investment property is tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash inflows which are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets (cash-generating units). Non-financial assets other than goodwill that suffered an impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at the end of each reporting period.

#### 1.5 Financial assets

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

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

#### Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

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

Trade and other receivables are measured at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequently, such assets are measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method less any impairment.

Where applicable, the Company applies the simplified approach to measuring expected credit losses.

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

#### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.6 Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

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

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

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

Short term payables are measured at fair value, net of directly attributable transaction costs.

#### 1.7 Equity instruments

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares are deducted from share premium.

#### 1.8 Taxation

Current tax

The tax expense for the period comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in profit or loss, except that a change attributable to an item of income or expense recognised as other comprehensive income is also recognised directly in other comprehensive income.

Current tax assets and liabilities are measured at the amount expected to be received from or paid to the taxation authorities, based on tax rates and laws that are enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

#### Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised on all temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements where the initial recognition exemption does not apply.

Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, carried forward tax credits or tax losses can be utilised.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured in an undiscounted basis at the tax rates that are expected to apply when the related asset is realised or liability is settled, based on tax rates and laws enacted at the balance sheet date.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is review at each balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset, only if a legally enforcement right exists to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities, the deferred taxes relates to the same taxation authority and that authority permits the Company to make a single net payment.

Where there is an uncertain tax position, a provision shall be booked based on either the most likely amount, where the range of results in binary, or as a weighted average of possible outcomes where a range of outcomes is possible.

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

#### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.9 Leases

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

When the company acts as a lessor, leases are classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessees, over the major part of the economic life of the asset. All other leases are classified as operating leases. If an arrangement contains lease and non-lease components, the company applies IFRS 15 to allocate the consideration in the contract. When the company is an intermediate lessor, it accounts for its interests in the head lease and the sub-lease separately, classifying the sub-lease with reference to the right-of-use asset arising from the head lease instead of the underlying asset.

#### 1.10 Rental income

Rent arising on leased properties is accounted for on a straight line basis over the lease term.

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

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

The following amendments to existing standards were effective for the Company from 1 January 2021, these amendments have not had a material impact.

Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39, IFRS 7, IFRS 4 and IFRS 16 Interest Rate Benchmark Reform Phase 2 1 January 2021

The amendments provide temporary reliefs which address the financial reporting effects when an interbank offered rate (IBOR) is replaced with an alternative nearly risk-free interest rate (RFR). The amendments include the following practical expedients:

- A practical expedient to require contractual changes, or changes to cash flows that are directly required by the reform, to be treated as changes to a floating interest rate, equivalent to a movement in a market rate of interest
- Permit changes required by IBOR reform to be made to hedge designations and hedge documentation without the hedging relationship being discontinued
- Provide temporary relief to entities from having to meet the separately identifiable requirement when an RFR instrument is designated as a hedge of a risk component

These amendments had no impact on the financial statements of the Company. The Group was renegotiating its principal loans on which the interest determination is based, there have been no changes to contracts impacted by LIBOR until the facilities are in place. All LIBOR linked contracts will be updated at the end of January 2022. The contracts with significant exposures relate to loans, leases and swaps. For the beginning of 2022, the interest rates applied on loans continue to be those under LIBOR using a synthetic LIBOR rate until the refinancing is completed. As these rates are LIBOR plus a margin, if SONIA (replacement rate) is higher or lower, the margin will be reduced or increased on an economically equivalent basis, and therefore there is no exposure. Leases are valued using incremental borrowing rates using gilt yields plus a margin and are therefore not linked to LIBOR.

The following new and amended standards, interpretations and amendments in issue are applicable to the Company but not yet effective and thus, have not been applied by the Company

Amendments to IFRS 3 Business Combinations – Reference to the Conceptual Framework 1 January 2022 Amendments to IAS 16 – Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use 1 January 2022 Amendments to IAS 37 – Onerous Contracts – Costs of Fulfilling a Contract 1 January 2022

IFRS 9 Financial Instruments – Fees in the "10 per cent" test for derecognition of financial liabilities 1 January 2022

Amendments to IAS 1 - Classification of liabilities as Current or Non-Current 1 January 2023

Amendments to IAS 8 - Definition of accounting estimates 1 January 2023

Amendments to IAS 12 - Deferred tax related to assets and liabilities arising from a single transaction 1 January 2023

\* The effective dates stated above are those given in the original IASB/IFRIC standards and interpretations. As the Group prepares its financial statements in accordance with IFRS as issued by the IASB as endorsed by the UK, the application of new standards and interpretations will result in an effective date subject to that agreed by the UK Endorsement process.

The amendments are not expected to have a material impact on the Company.

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

#### 3 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

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

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

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

#### Critical judgements

#### Deferred tax

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable income will be available in future against which they can be utilised. Future taxable profits are estimated based on business plans which include estimates and assumptions regarding economic growth, interest, inflation rates and taxation rates.

#### Investment property disclosed values

In valuing investment properties judgements are required about the assumptions, in particular regarding the market rent and market yield. Further details are provided in note 9 below.

#### 4 Operating profit

		2021 £'000	2020 £'000
	Operating profit for the year is stated after charging:		
	Depreciation of investment property	150	150
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5	Auditor's remuneration		
		2021	2020
	Fees payable to the company's auditor and associates:	£'000	£'000
	For audit services		
	Audit of the financial statements of the company	6	6
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The audit fee for the Company was borne by another Group company, and no recharge was made to the Company in respect of these costs in the current or comparative year.

Amounts payable to Ernst & Young LLP and their associates by the Company in respect of non-audit services were £nil (2020: £Nil).

#### 6 Employees

The Company had no employees during the year (2020: Nil) and consequently incurred no staff costs.

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

#### 7 Director's Remuneration

Emoluments for the Directors of the Company are paid for by Spire Healthcare Limited, a fellow subsidiary of Spire Healthcare Group plc. Spire Healthcare Limited has not recharged any amount to the Company (2020: £nil) on the basis that the amount attributable to the Company is negligible.

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Taxadon	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Current tax		
UK corporation tax on profits for the current period	344	351
Adjustments in respect of prior periods	-	(9)
Total UK current tax	344	342
Deferred tax		
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	(5)	-
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Total tax charge	339	342
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The charge for the year can be reconciled to the profit per the income statement	nt as follows:	
	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000
Profit before taxation	1,699	1,697
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Expected tax charge based on a corporation tax rate of 19.00% (2020:		
19.00%)	323	322
Effect of expenses not deductible in determining taxable profit	21	29
Adjustment in respect of prior years	-	(9)
Deferred tax expense	(5)	-
Taxation charge for the year	339	342
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The Finance Act 2020, which received Royal Assent in July 2020, cancelled the planned reduction in corporation tax rate to 17% from 1 April 2020, and therefore the tax rate for future years has been enacted at 19%.

The Finance Act 2021, which received Royal Assent in June 2021, enacted a corporation tax rate of 25% to apply from April 2023. These changes were substantively enacted at the balance sheet date and have been reflected in the measurement of deferred tax balances at the period end.

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

9	Investment property	
		2021 £'000
	Cost	
	At 1 January 2021 and 31 December 2021	9,020
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	Accumulated depreciation	
	At 1 January 2021	1,934
	Charge for the year	150
	At 31 December 2021	2,084
	Carrying value	
	At 31 December 2021	6,936
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	At 31 December 2020	7,086

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

#### 9 Investment property

(Continued)

#### Impairment testing

Valuations are the responsibility of the Directors. They are prepared and reviewed internally by senior management and property managers within the Group, after taking into account a number of key market conditions, including yields. This includes discussions of the key assumptions used, as well as a review of the resulting valuations.

The fair value of investment properties is determined using the income capitalisation approach. Under this approach, forecast earnings are used to estimate the sustainable market rents applicable to the hospital property, which together with the estimated costs are discounted at market derived capitalisation rates to produce the Directors' opinion of the fair value of the property.

The capitalisation rate which, if applied to rental cash flows would produce the fair value, is described as the equivalent yield.

The Company considers its investment property falls within 'Level 3', as defined by IFRS 13. There has been no transfer of the property within the fair value hierarchy in the financial year.

The table below summarises the key unobservable inputs used in the valuation of the Company's wholly owned investment property at 31 December 2021.

The directors have identified a number of key assumptions relevant to impairment calculations, being the rental yield, which is impacted by a number of elements. Therefore, sensitivity analysis has been undertaken and determined that the yield would need to increase by 250 basis points (bp) with all other assumptions remaining equal, before headroom is reduced to zero.

	Market value	<b>Estimated rental</b>	Equivalent
	2021	value	yield
		2021	2021
	£'000	£'000	%
Hospital Property	13,750	600	4.25

The key unobservable inputs used in the prior year were as follows:

	Market value 2020	Estimated rental value 2020	Equivalent yield 2020
	£'000	£'000	%
Hospital Property	13,267	638	4.81

#### 10 Liabilities

	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Taxation and social security	1,567 ———	1,222

Liabilities are settled by other Group entities.

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

11	Trade and other receivables		
		Non-current	
		2021	2020
		£'000	£'000
	Amounts owed by fellow group undertakings	6,256	4,405
u	Deferred tax asset	49	45
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		6,305	4,450
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Amounts owed by fellow group undertakings relate to the straight lining of intercompany rent over the remaining lease term, and therefore is split between amounts due within one year and amounts due in more than one year.

#### 12 Deferred taxation

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

Investment

	property £'000
Deferred tax asset at 1 January 2020	(45)
Deferred tax asset at 1 January 2021	(45)
Deferred tax movements in current year Effect of change in tax rate - profit or loss	(4)
Deferred tax asset at 31 December 2021	(49)

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the asset is realised or the liability settled, based on tax rates that have been enacted, or substantively enacted, at the balance sheet date.

	£	£
Issued and fully paid 1 Ordinary share of £1 each	1	1

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

#### 14 Other Transactions

In order to simplify the structure of the Group and reduce costs, the Company undertook a process in which a number of companies within the Group were identified for members' voluntary liquidation, as follows:

- Classic Hospitals Group Limited
- Fox Healthcare Holdco 2 Limited
- Spire UK Holdco 2A Limited
- Spire Healthcare Holdings 1
- Spire Cambridge (Disposal) Limited
- Spire Fertility (Disposal) Limited
- Spire Healthcare Group UK Limited
- SHC Holdings Limited
- Spire Healthcare Holdings 3 Limited
- Spire Healthcare Holdings 2 Limited
- Classic Hospitals Limited
- Lifescan Limited
- Spire Thames Valley Hospital Limited

These entities were all in members' voluntary liquidation at year end and are expected to be formally dissolved at Companies House during 2022.

#### 15 Contingent liabilities

On 23 July 2014, Spire Healthcare Group plc was refinanced, and it entered into a bank loan facility with a syndicate of banks, comprising of a five-year £425.0 million term loan and a five-year £100.0 million revolving facility, which has been guaranteed by the Company and other material subsidiaries of the Group. The loan is non-amortising and carries interest at a margin of 2.25% over LIBOR (2020: 2.25% over LIBOR). In July 2018, the Group extended the maturity of its bank loan facility for a further three years. During 2020, the bank loan was extended again, to July 2023.

As was announced in September 2020, following the Covid-19 pandemic and Spire Healthcare's subsequent support to the NHS, the Group obtained agreement from its lenders that net debt to EBITDA and interest cover ratio covenant testing would be waived for June 2021. A new liquidity measure replaced these tests and requires cash and cash equivalents, including headroom under undrawn committed facilities, to remain above £50m.

The Group entered into an agreement on 24 February 2022 to refinance this debt. Details of this refinance can be found in note 17 – Events after the Reporting Period. There is no impact to the current year as a result of this refinancing agreement.

At 31 December 2021 the net debt / EBITDA ratio was 2.3x (2020: 3.9x), the loan amount outstanding was £425,000,000 (2020: £425,000,000), and the revolving facility remained undrawn (2020: Undrawn).

#### 16 Other leasing information

#### Lessor

The Company has entered into a lease on its investment property consisting of hospital buildings (see note 9). The lease has a term of 33 years up to August 2040.

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

#### 16 Other leasing information

(Continued)

At the reporting end date the company had the following amounts receivable:

	2021	2020 £'000 Restated
	£'000	
Within one year	1,602	1,545
One to two years	1,642	1,604
Two to three years	1,683	1,644
Three to four years	1,726	1,685
Four to five years	1,769	1,770
Over five years	28,953	30,760
Total undiscounted lease payments receivable	37,375	38,966
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#### 17 Events after the reporting date

As announced by Spire Healthcare Group plc on 25 February 2022, the Group entered into an agreement on 24 February 2022 to refinance this debt. As part of this exercise, and in recognition of the fact that the Group had substantial cash reserves at 31 December 2021, the Group repaid £100.0m of the Senior Loan Facility. As a consequence, the revised Senior Loan Facility was set at £325.0m and the Group continued to have access to an undrawn RCF of £100.0m. This new arrangement has a maturity of 4 years, with the Group having the option to extend by another year. The financial covenants relating to this new agreement are unchanged.

#### 18 Controlling party

The Company's immediate parent undertaking changed during the year due to the Group simplification from Spire Thames Valley Hospital (BVI Property Holdings) Limited, a company is registered in British Virgin Islands to Spire UK Holdco 4 Limited, a company is registered in England and Wales.

The Company's ultimate parent undertaking is Spire Healthcare Group plc, a company registered in England and Wales. Spire Healthcare Group plc heads the smallest and largest group which prepares consolidated financial statements in which the results of the Company are included. The financial statements of Spire Healthcare Group plc are available at www.spirehealthcare.com or from The Company Secretary, 3 Dorset Rise, London EC4Y 8EN, which is also the registered office of the ultimate parent.

#### 19 Prior period adjustment

A prior period adjustment was recognised due to an error in the calculation used to spread rental income on a straight-line over the lease term. The lease has a minimum annual rent increase of 2.5%, but this has not been factored into the calculation and instead future increases had previously been set to nil.

The correction has been retrospectively restated to the beginning of the lease in 2015, with the cumulative effect from 2015 to 31 December 2019 reflected through Retained earnings in the Statement of Changes in Equity. The year ended 31 December 2020 has been restated and is reconciled below.

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

19	Prior period adjustment			(Continued)	
	Changes to the statement of financial position				
		At 31	At 31 December 2020		
		Previously reported	Adjustment	As restated	
		£'000	£'000	£'000	
	Current assets				
	Debtors due after one year	2,238	2,212	4,450	
	Creditors due within one year				
	Taxation	(802)	(420)	(1,222)	
	Net assets	8,522	1,792	10,314	
	Capital and reserves				
	Retained earnings	8,522	1,792	10,314	
	Total equity	8,522	1,792	10,314	
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	Changes to the income statement				
		Period ended 31 December 2020			
		Previously reported	Adjustment	As restated	
		£'000	£'000	£'000	
	Rental income	1,473	374	1,847	
	Taxation	(271)	(71)	(342)	
	Profit for the financial period	1,052	303	1,355	
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