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### **LONDON GATEWAY PORT HOLDINGS LIMITED**

# ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022



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### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

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### STRATEGIC REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

### INTRODUCTION

The principal activity of London Gateway Port Holdings Limited (the Company) is to act as a holding company for its subsidiary London Gateway Port Limited. London Gateway Port Limited is a purpose built, freehold owned, container port located next to one of the largest distribution parks in Europe, which further enhances its cargo potential. It commenced operations in November 2013.

### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

Since London Gateway Port Holdings Limited is the immediate parent company of London Gateway Port Limited, and has no other significant activities at this time. The directors of both companies consider that the principal risks and uncertainties of the Company are consistent with those that the Port is exposed to.

### PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

Commercial inertia and the very concentrated nature of the container shipping line industry remain the principal risks for London Gateway, particularly as it seeks to grow market share in a relatively mature market.

Whilst the Port has now proven its operating capability, the shipping lines operate their large trades under formal alliance structures, meaning that decision making is slow and there is a resistance to change. This dynamic creates inertia in winning sizeable new volume. Furthermore, the global shipping line industry is increasingly concentrated into seven global lines, while being characterised by over-capacity, sustained periods of low freight rates and, consequently, periods of operating losses for most of the major lines.

Up to the date of this report, the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has not had a material impact on the financial results of the Company. Any potential impact on our business from the COVID-19 pandemic is closely monitored. The situation could change at anytime and there can be no assurance that the pandemic will not have a material adverse impact on the future operations and the results of the Company.

On the 24th February 2022 Russia launched an invasion of the Ukraine. The impact of the war on London Gateway's trade from a shipping perspective has been minimal as there are no Russian ships or shipping lines that call at the terminal and London Gateway Port Limited does not have any suppliers that will impact the business as a result of the war. This therefore has no negative results on London Gateway Port Limited or London Gateway Port Holdings Limited.

The war in the Ukraine has had an impact on UK inflation because of increased costs from fuel, electricity and labour prices. The impact on electricity prices has in part been mitigated by fixing the price for a year and by also adding some new charges for energy in the form of an energy adjustment mechanism to cover some of the increased costs. This was put into place in January 2022 as a result of increased fuel and energy costs prior to the war. This is expected to cover more than 50% of the increased costs. Other landside charges have been introduced to cover other cost increases such as the fuel duty recovery charge which will compensate for the removal of the red diesel subsidy.

Looking ahead, London Gateway's results for the first six months of 2023 have been lower than Budget expectations as a result of lower volumes and storage levels which have been soft over this period. Overall our expectation is that the 2023 budget is still achiveable.

The impact and consequences of Brexit is likely to be minimal as most of London Gateway's volume is derived from trade with non-EU countries.

# STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

### FINANCIAL KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Since London Gateway Port Holdings Limited is the immediate parent company of London Gateway Port Limited, and this represents both the only investment of the Company and it's principal debtor, the directors of both companies consider that the key performance indicators of the Company are consistent with those of London Gateway Port Limited. The financial performance indicators which are used for London Gateway Port Limited are working capital ratios and capital commitments. Average trade debtor days in 2022 are 51 working days, which is an increase on prior year (49 working days) and exceeds standard credit terms. The situation is expected to remain similar in 2023. Measures have been put in place to improve trade debtor collection, including closer liaison between finance, operations and commercial departments. Capital commitments are monitored on a monthly basis both internally and also with the aid of external independent consulting engineers on behalf of the external lenders.

# STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

### OTHER KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Key Performance Indicators (KPI's) are shared with all of management and are actively tracked with management objectives attached to these KPI's. Health and Safety is always of paramount importance to London Gateway where an excellent safety record continues both operationally and where construction is ongoing.

Ensuring a diverse workforce to better represent the overall demographic mix is a priority and London Gateway has achieved considerable success over the years. It continues to be a priority and actively and promotes and strives for a more diverse and inclusive workforce in an industry which is typified by older males this and the balanced age demographics is seen as a considerable success.

London Gateway has a strong commitment to the local community with a vast amount of staff living within 20 miles of the Port. During non-COVID times we work closely with the community, engaging with and offering opportunities for local residents and interest groups to participate in site tours, which gives access to an otherwise closed area, helping ensure that they understand our business and its positive impact. We are developing long term strategies with local schools and colleges to make them aware of the employment opportunities at London Gateway. During non-COVID times, we also have a volunteering policy entitling all our employees to one day paid volunteering per year, with a range of volunteering activities organized by London Gateway or the option for staff to select a cause that is important to them.

The 'Our World Our Future 2022-2030 sustainability strategy' has been approved by the London Gateway Sustainability Advisory Committee and aligns with the DP World group strategy. The strategy continues to be implemented at London Gateway.

We have funded partnership agreements with several organisations which are primarily focused on youth education, particularly in Science Technology Engineering and Maths ("STEM") related subjects and logistics and raising awareness and aspiration of the opportunities available. Following the success of the STEM ENTHUSE partnership, we have continued to work with our local primary and secondary school on a STEM transition project. This is aimed at supporting the transition of year 6 students from primary school into STEM subjects in year 7 at secondary school. The project consists of teacher training inlouding a two-day residential course at the National STEM Learning Centre for 19 teachers and a summer camp for 20 students.

Our partnership with the Queen Victoria's Seaman's Rest has been renewed and a new, more appropriately located centre has been developed and opened,

We have provided funding towards a new initiative called the Spacious Place cafe, which is a community cafe, aimed at helping those in need. It is linked to Thurrock Foodbank, who have been a long-term partner of ours. The cafe provides a safe place for people to talk and be sign-posted to the services which can help them.

We also have a volunteering policy entitling all our employees to one day paid volunteering per year, with a range of volunteering activities organised by London Gateway or the option for staff to select a cause that is important to them. We also have an employee donation and sponsorship policy to support employees with individual fundraising activities or team-based with which they are involved with.

DP World are aiming to be Carbon Neutral by 2040 and Net Zero by 2050. London Gateway Port Limited are implementing a 5 year carbon reduction action plan to support ongoing improvements and new fully electric port equipment is being purchased with associated infrastructure installed. Recent measures include the purchase of fully electric shuttle carriers for Berth 4 and the ongoing installation of Solar PV on the Port.

A single use plastic elimination plan has also been put together which identifies key sources of single use plastics within the business along with an action plan to remove them where it is more sustainable to do so. The passive debris collector which has been jointly developed by the Port of London Authority ("PLA") and London Gateway as part of our waste iniatives, was launched in April 2023. The aim is for it to collect litter within the River Thames to stop it getting washed out to sea.

# STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

London Gateway Port Limited is continuing efforts through the Oceans together Forum (which it established in partnership with local businesses, Local Members of Parliament and Thurrock Borough Council to drive improvements in single use plastic reduction.

This report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf.

E Schulze Director

Date: 09/08/2023

# DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.

### **RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS**

The profit for the year, after taxation, amounted to £NIL (2021 - £NIL).

The directors have not recommended or paid any dividend during the year (2021 - £NIL).

### **DIRECTOR**

The directors who served during the year were:

E Schulze R A H Abdulla A Shaoul

### **POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS**

There were no political donations made during the year (2021 - £NIL).

### **QUALIFYING THIRD PARTY INDEMNITY PROVISIONS**

All directors are entitled to contractual indemnification from the Company to the extent permitted by law against claims and legal expenses incurred in the course of their duties.

Such qualifying third party indemnity insurance is provided and remains in force as at the date of approving the Directors' Report.

### **FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

As the current intention of the directors is to maintain the activity of the Company as a holding company for London Gateway Port, the directors consider that the relevant future developments of the Company are consistent with those associated with London Gateway Port.

London Gateway Port Limited has had a slow start to 2023, with volumes showing a reduction over the 2022 numbers. Volumes are currently running 10.8% below 2022.

### **ENGAGEMENT WITH SUPPLIERS, CUSTOMERS AND OTHERS**

Our customer includes all major shipping lines, freight forwarders and hauliers. We work closely with our customers to understand their evolving needs so we can improve and adapt to meet

We depend on the capability and performance of our suppliers, contractors and other partners to help deliver the products and services we need for our operations and our customers.

We consult with local people to gain valuable perspectives on the ways in which our activities could impact the local community or environment.

### **DISABLED EMPLOYEES**

London Gateway understands that innovation emerges from diversity and have been awarded the two tick symbol as a result of our commitment to employing people with disabilities. The facilities at London Gateway have been designed with disability in mind, allowing full wheelchair access to all areas. Our vacancies are advertised to promote opportunities for all and London Gateway continues to strive and promote diversity and inclusion to reflect our multiple stakeholders and society.

# DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

### **GOING CONCERN**

Not withstanding net current liabilities of £627,704,613 (2021: £672,704,613) as at 31 December 2022, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which the directors consider to be appropriate for the following reasons.

The principle activity of the company is to act as a holding company to London Gateway Port Limited, its immediate subsidiary. The company meets its day to day working capital requirements and intercompany loan from The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, its immediate parent.

The directors have performed a going concern assessment which indicates that, in both the base and reasonably possible downside, the company will have sufficient funds to meet its liabilities as they fall due for at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements, the going concern assessment period. This assessment is dependant on its intermediate parent company, DP World Limited, not seeking repayment of the amounts currently due to The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, which at 31 December 2022 amounted to £627,704,613 (2021: £672,704,613), and providing additional financial support during the going concern period.

DP World Limited 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, during the going concern assessment period. 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 for at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements and therefore have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis.

### DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITOR

Each of the persons who are directors at the time when this Directors' report is approved has confirmed that:

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

### **POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS**

There have been no significant events affecting the Company since the year end.

### **AUDITOR**

The auditor, KPMG LLP, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

### DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

This report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf.

E Schulze

Director

Date: 09/08/2023

16 Palace Street London SW1E 5JQ

# STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE STRATEGIC REPORT, THE DIRECTORS' REPORT AND THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic report, 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 applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 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 then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures
  disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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 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 to 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.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF LONDON GATEWAY PORT HOLDINGS LIMITED

### **OPINION**

We have audited the financial statements of London Gateway Port Holdings Limited ("the company") for the year ended 31 December 2022 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Changes in Equity and related notes, including the accounting policies in note 1.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2022 and of its results 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 ther 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.

### FRAUD AND BREACHES OF LAW 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

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### assessment procedures included:

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

As required by auditing standards, and taking into account our overall knowledge of the control environment, we perform procedures to address the risk of management override of controls, in particular the risk that the Company's management may be in a position to make inappropriate accounting entries and the risk of bias in accounting estimates and Judgements such as recoverability of the debtors. On this audit we do not believe there is a fraud risk related to revenue recognition because the Company does not have any revenue transactions.

We did not identify any additional fraud risks.

In determining the audit procedures we took into account the results of our evaluation and testing of the operating effectiveness of some of the Company-wide fraud risk management controls.

We also performed procedures including:

 Agreeing all the identified accounting entries in the period to supporting documentation that form part of the financial statements

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 from inspection of the Company's regulatory and legal correspondence and discussed with the directors and other management the policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations.

As the Company is regulated, our assessment of risks involved gaining an understanding of the control environment including the entity's procedures for complying with regulatory requirements.

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, this Company, as a holding company, is not subject to other laws and regulations where the consequences of non-compliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements. 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.

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

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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.

### STRATEGIC REPORT AND DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors are responsible for the strategic report and the directors' report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover those reports 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 strategic report and the directors' report;
- in our opinion the information given in those reports for the financial year is consistent with the financial statements; and
- in our opinion those reports have 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.

We have nothing to report in these respects.

### **DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES**

As explained more fully in their 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; 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

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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.

### 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.

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Julie Breakell (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor

**Chartered Accountants** 

15 Canada Square Canary Wharf London E14 5GL

Date: 10 August 2023

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Company has not traded during the year or the preceding financial year. During these periods, the Company received no income and incurred no expenditure and therefore made neither profit or loss.

# LONDON GATEWAY PORT HOLDINGS LIMITED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022 Note 2022 2021 Note £000 £000 Other comprehensive income: Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:

The notes on pages 17 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

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### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022					
	Note		2022 £000		2021 £000
Fixed assets					
Investments	6		25,000		25,000
Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year	7	•	628,077		673,077
			653,077	-	698,077
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		(627,705)		(672,705)	
Net current liabilities	-	<u> </u>	(627,705)		(672,705)
Total assets less current liabilities			25,372	-	25,372
Net assets			25,372	- -	25,372
Capital and reserves			<del></del>		
Called up share capital	10		25,000		25,000
Profit and loss account			372		372
			25,372	-	25,372

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

E Schulze

A Shaoul

The notes on pages 17 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

At 1 January 2022	Share capital £000 25,000	Profit and loss account £000	Total equity £000 25,372
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	•	
Total comprehensive income for the year			-
Total transactions with owners		· •	•
At 31 December 2022	25,000	372	25,372

The notes on pages 17 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

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

	Share capital £000	Profit and loss account	Total equity
At 1 January 2021	25,000	372	25,372
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	•
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	•	•
Total transactions with owners	-	-	<del>,</del>
At 31 December 2021	25,000	372	25,372

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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### 1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

London Gateway Port Holdings Limited is a company incorporated in the United Kingdom under the Companies Act 2006. The address of the registered office is given within Company information. The nature of the company's operations and its principal activities are set out in the Strategic Report.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' and the Companies Act 2006.

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with FRS 101 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgement in applying the Company's accounting policies (see note 2).

### 1.2 Financial reporting standard 101 - reduced disclosure exemptions

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

- a Cash Flow Statement and related notes;
- comparative period reconciliations for share capital, tangible fixed assets, intangible assets and investment properties:
- disclosures in respect of transactions with wholly owned subsidiaries;
- · disclosures in respect of capital management;
- the effects of new but not yet effective IFRSs; and
- · disclosures in respect of the compensation of Key Management Personnel.

As the consolidated financial statements of ultimate parent undertaking include the equivalent disclosures, the Company has also taken the exemptions under FRS 101 available in respect of the following disclosures:

- certain disclosures required by IAS 36 Impairment of assets in respect of the impairment of goodwill and indefinite life intangible assets; 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.

The smallest group of companies for which the consolidated financial statements are prepared and in which the Company is consolidated is The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, a company incorporated by Royal Charter and therefore not registered. Copies of whose accounts can be obtained from: The Registrar of Companies, Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff, CF14 3UZ.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### 1.3 Going Concern

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DP World Limited 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, during the going concern assessment period. 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 for at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements and therefore have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis.

### 1.4 Exemption from preparing Consolidated Financial Statements

The Company is a parent company that is also a subsidiary included in the consolidated financial statements of a larger group by a parent undertaking established under the law of a state other than the United Kingdom and is therefore exempt from the requirement to prepare consolidated financial statements under section 401 of the Companies Act 2006.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### 1.5 Impairment of fixed assets

The carrying amounts of the Company's assets are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the fixed asset may not be recoverable. If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated.

An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset or its income-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in the profit and loss account.

Impairment losses recognised in respect of income-generating units are allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to income-generating units, then to any capitalised intangible asset and finally to the carrying amount of the tangible assets in the unit on a pro-rata or more appropriate basis. An income generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that generates income that is largely independent of the income streams from other assets or group of assets.

### Calculation of recoverable amounts

The recoverable amounts of fixed assets is the greater of their net realisable value and value in use. In assessing value in use, the expected cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pretax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the rate of return expected on an equally risky investment. For an asset that does not generate largely independent income streams, the recoverable amount is determined for the income-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

### Reversals of impairment

An impairment loss is reversed on intangible assets if subsequent external events reverse the effect of the original event which caused the recognition of the impairment. For other fixed assets where the recoverable amount increases as a result of a change in economic conditions or in the expected use of the asset then the resultant reversal of the impairment loss should be recognised in the current period.

An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

### 1.6 Valuation of investments

Investments in subsidiaries are measured at cost less provision for impairment.

### 1.7 Debtors

Short-term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment. Loans receivable are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### 1.8 Financial Instruments

The Company recognises financial instruments when it becomes a party to the contractual arrangements of the instrument. Financial instruments are de-recognised when they are discharged or when the contractual terms expire. The Company's accounting policies in respect of financial instruments transactions are explained below:

### Financial assets

The Company recognises its financial assets into one of the categories discussed below, depending on the purpose for which the asset was acquired.

The Company's accounting policy for each category is as follows:

### Fair value through profit or loss

This category comprises only in-the-money derivatives. These are carried in the balance sheet at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in the profit and loss account.

### Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They arise principally through the provision of goods and services to customers (e.g. trade receivables), but also incorporate other types of contractual monetary asset. They are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to their acquisition or issue, and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, less provision for impairment.

Impairment provisions are recognised when there is objective evidence (such as significant financial difficulties on the part of the counterparty or default or significant delay in payment) that the Company will be unable to collect all of the amounts due under the terms receivable, the amount of such a provision being the difference between the net carrying amount and the present value of the future expected cash flows associated with the impaired receivable. For trade receivables, which are reported net, such provisions are recorded in a separate allowance account with the loss being recognised within administrative expenses in the profit and loss account. On confirmation that the trade receivable will not be collected, the gross carrying value of the asset is written off against the associated provision.

### **Financial liabilities**

The Company classifies all of its financial liabilities as liabilities at amortised cost.

### At amortised cost

Financial liabilities at amortised cost including bank borrowings are initially recognised at fair value net of any transaction costs directly attributable to the issue of the instrument. Such interest bearing liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, which ensures that any interest expense over the period to repayment is at a constant rate on the balance of the liability carried into the balance sheet.

### 1.9 Creditors

Creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers.

Creditors are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

# 2. JUDGEMENTS IN APPLYING ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

The directors have considered the recoverability of the loan with London Gateway Port Limited and are satisfied that both the freehold nature of this asset; the trading position and outlook; and the financial position of the ultimate guarantor will, together, continue to support the operating cash flows and therefore ensure recoverability of the loan.

### 3. AUDITOR'S REMUNERATION

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption not to disclose amounts paid for non-audit services as these are disclosed in the consolidated accounts of the parent Company. The amount receivable by the company's auditor in respect of the audit of these financial statements has been borne by London Gateway Port Limited, a related entity of the Company.

### 4. EMPLOYEES

The Company has no employees other than the directors, who did not receive any remuneration (2021 - £NIL).

### 5. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

All directors are paid by other group companies.

Directors' remuneration does not include salary payments made to non-executive directors remunerated elsewhere in the DP World Group, since any qualifying services in respect of the Company are considered to be incidental and part of these directors' overall management responsibilities within DP World.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

### 6. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

Investments in subsidiary companies £000

Cost or valuation

At 1 January 2022

25,000

At 31 December 2022

25,000

### **SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKINGS**

The following were subsidiary undertakings of the Company:

Name Country of class of incorporation shares Holding activity
London Gateway Port Limited United Kingdom Ordinary 100% Port Operator

### 7. DEBTORS

### **DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR**

Amounts owed by group undertakings 628,077 673,077
673,077
673,077

The amounts owed by group undertakings comprises of a loan which has been granted to London Gateway Port Limited to fund the construction of the Port. These intra-group loans are currently non-interest bearing. Loan repayments on the intra-group loans are repayable on demand, however, the directors' current intention is not to call the receivables in the next 12 months, therefore, it is presented in non-current.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

### 8. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

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2022 £000	2021 £000
Amounts owed to group undertakings 627,705	672,705
627,705	672,705

2022

2021

The amounts owed to group undertakings comprises of loans which have been granted by The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company and represent borrowings sourced to fund the construction of the Port. These intra-group loans are currently non-interest bearing. Loan repayments on the intra-group loans are repayable on demand.

### 9. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

	£000	£000
FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost	628,077 	673,077
FINANCIAL LIABILITIES		
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	(627,705)	(672,705)

Financial assets measured at amortised cost comprise amounts owed by group undertakings.

Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost comprise amounts owed to group undertakings.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

### 10. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL		
	2022	2021
	£000	£000
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
25,000,101 (2021 - 25,000,101) Ordinary shares of £1.00 each	25,000	25,000

### 11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption from disclosing transactions with entities which are wholly owned by the Group.

### 12. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There have been no significant events affecting the Company since the year end.

### 13. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING AND CONTROLLING PARTY

The smallest group of companies for which consolidated financial statements are prepared and in which the company is consolidated is The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, a company incorporated by Royal Charter and therefore not registered, copies of whose accounts can be obtained from: The Registrar of Companies, Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff, CF14 3UZ.

The largest group of companies for which consolidated financial statements are prepared and which are publicly available, and in which the Company is consolidated is DP World Limited, a company limited by shares incorporated in Dubai, whose accounts are filed with the Dubai International Financial Centre.

The immediate parent undertaking at 31 December 2022 was the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, whose registered office is 16 Palace Street, London, SW1E 5JQ, United Kingdom.

In the opinion of the directors, the ultimate controlling parent undertaking as at 31 December 2022 was Port & Free Zone World FZE, which owns 100% of DP World Limited. Port & Free Zone World FZE is a wholly owned subsidiary of Dubai World Corporation, which is the ultimate parent company of the Company, but which does not exert control over the Company. Both Port & Free Zone World FZE and Dubai World Corporation have their registered offices at Jebel Ali Free Zone, P.O. Box 17000, Dubai, United Arab Emirates.