# Amicus Horizon Finance plc Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2015

Company number: 7933814



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#### Directors, Advisers and registered office

#### **Directors**

David Clifford Peter Cruttenden Paul Hackett Sarah Smith Appointed 25 March 2015 Resigned 31 December 2014

#### **Secretary**

Tom Paul

Jo Robinson

#### **Advisers**

#### **Bankers**

Barclays Bank 1 Churchill Place Canary Wharf London E14 5HP

#### **Auditors**

BDO LLP 55 Baker Street London W1U 7EU

#### **Solicitors**

Devonshires 30 Finsbury Circus London EC2M 7DT

#### Registered office

Grosvenor House 125 High Street Croydon CR0 9XP

#### Directors' report

The Directors present the Directors' report and Financial Statements for Amicus Horizon Finance plc (AHF) for the period ended 31 March 2015.

#### **Overview and Principal Activities**

AHF was incorporated on 2 February 2012. AHF is a wholly owned subsidiary of AmicusHorizon Limited (AHL). AHF is a special purpose funding vehicle, used to secure funding for the AmicusHorizon Group. AHF obtains finance directly from capital markets and on-lends to AHL. AHL is a charitable registered provider of social housing.

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

As AHF on lends to AHL, the main risk facing AHF is AHL will be unable to make its interest or principal payments when they fall due. The risk is mitigated because the on lent funding to AHL is under a secured loan agreement, backed by housing assets owned by AHL. If there are any payments not made to AHF, it has the right to enforce the security under the loan.

A contribution to the assessment of the scale of risk is Moody's Investor Services credit rating of A2.

#### **Business review**

On 13 March 2012 AHF issued a £150m bond and £50m was repurchased on the same day, for future issuance. This bond issue was raised to help fund the development of new homes by 2015, and refinancing of existing loans. There was a £1.7m discount on issue which is being written off over the life of the loan. The coupon on the bond is 5.25%. At issue the yield was 5.362%. AHF therefore received £98.3m and on-lent this to AHL. During 2013/14 the retained £50m was issued. At issue the yield was 4.681%. There was a £4.5m premium on issue which is being released over the life of the loan.

The profit and loss account shows a profit of £4,590k for the year (2014: £4,438k loss). This reflects a reversal of donation made under gift aid to AHL in 2013/14 following guidance issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales ("ICAEW") relating to donations by a company to its parent charity which advises that gift aid donations can only be made from distributable reserves. The guidance also advises that, although the gift aid payment was made in good faith based on extant guidance at the time the payment was made, this new guidance should be applied to all historical payments.

#### Proposed dividend

The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

#### **Employees**

AHF does not employ any staff.

#### **Directors' report (continued)**

#### Political and charitable contributions

The Company made no political donations nor did it incur any political expenditure during the period.

#### Annual general meeting

A resolution to re-appoint BDO LLP as auditors for the ensuing year will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting on 21 September 2015.

#### Disclosure of information to auditors

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

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

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

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), and have adopted early the requirements of FRS100 in applying FRS102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

The financial statements are required by law to 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 judgments 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
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

#### **Directors' report (continued)**

# Statement of the Directors' responsibilities in respect of the Directors' Report and the financial statements (continued)

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.

Signed on behalf of the Board

David Clifford

Director

Date: 30.7.15

Company number: 7933814

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF AMICUSHORIZON FINANCE PLC

We have audited the financial statements of AmicusHorizon Finance plc for the year ended 31 March 2015 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

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.

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the statement of directors' responsibilities, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Financial Reporting Council's (FRC's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

#### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the FRC's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate.

#### **Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2015 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.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF AMICUSHORIZON FINANCE PLC (CONTINUED)

#### Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where 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.

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Philip Cliftlands (senior statutory auditor)
For and on behalf of BDO LLP, statutory auditor

London

Date 18 August 2015

BDO LLP is a limited liability partnership registered in England and Wales (with registered number OC305127).

#### Profit and Loss account for the period ended 31 March 2015

	Notes	Year ended 31 March 2015 £000	Year ended 31 March 2014 £000
Turnover Operating costs Payment under Gift Aid in year Payment under Gift Aid prior year reversal		7,944 (57) (12) 4,438	6,845 (57) (4,539)
Gross profit and profit on ordinary activities before interest and taxation		12,313	2,249
Interest payable and other finance costs	5	(7,844)	(6,687)
Profit / (loss) on ordinary activities before taxation	2	4,469	(4,438)
Tax on profit / (loss) on ordinary activities	6	(6)	
Profit / (loss) on ordinary activities after taxation		4,463	(4,438)
Profit / (loss) for the financial year		4,463	(4,438)
Total shareholder's funds brought forward Total shareholder's fund carried forward		(4,426) 37	12 (4,426)

All the Company's activities are continuing.

The Company has no items of comprehensive income other than those presented above.

#### Balance Sheet at 31 March 2015

	Notes	2015 £000	2014 £000
Current Assets Debtors receivable after more than one year Debtors receivable within one year Cash at bank and in hand	7 7	148,479 4,845 12	148,424 407 12
Creditors Amounts falling due within one year	8	(413)	(407)
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		152,923	148,436
Creditors Amounts falling due after more than one year	8	152,886	152,862
Total net assets		37	(4,426)
Capital and reserves Share capital Reserves	9 10	12 25	. 12 (4,438)
Total shareholder's funds		37	(4,426)

The financial statements on pages 8 to 14 were approved by the Board and authorised for issue on 30 July 2015 and signed on its behalf by:

David Clifford

Director

Jo Robinson Secretary

Company number: 7933814

#### Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2015

#### 1. Accounting policies

#### Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost accounting rules. The Directors have chosen to adopt FRS 100 in the preparation of these financial statements prior to the mandatory implementation for the March 2016 financial statements.

#### **Going Concern**

On the basis of their assessment of the Company's financial position and available resources, and the position and available resources of the group of which this company is a part, the Company's Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company will be able to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the annual financial statements.

#### Disclosure exemptions adopted

As a qualifying entity as defined in FRS102, the directors are taking advantage of the reduced disclosure framework and have not presented a cashflow statement.

#### **Financial Instruments**

The Company has applied the requirements of sections 11 and 12 of FRS 102. In accordance with the FRS, the Financial Instruments of the company have been assessed and have been classified as basic financial instruments. They are initially recorded at transaction price. On subsequent measurement of the financial instrument it will be measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The discount and premium on issue are amortised over the life of the instrument.

#### Effective interest rate method

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

#### **Taxation**

The charge for taxation is based on the profit or loss for the financial year. The current tax charge is based on the taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from net profit as reported in the profit and loss accounts because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible. The Company's liability for current tax is

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2015 (continued)

#### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the year end date.

#### Key sources of estimation uncertainty

There is no estimation uncertainty. The on lent funding to AHL is under a secured loan agreement, backed by housing assets owned by AHL.

#### Revenue

The revenue shown in the Profit and Loss account represents interest receivable on loans to AHL, plus amounts invoiced for administrative expenses during the period. Interest receivable is recognised on an accruals basis.

#### Gift aid

As a wholly owned subsidiary of AHL, AHF has gifted some of its annual distributable profits to AHL and claimed charitable donations relief under the Corporation Tax Act 2010. The amount donated in 2013/14 exceeded the profits available for distribution. Following advice from ICAEW the excess is now considered to be an unlawful distribution. The payment, made in 2013/14, to the extent it was unlawful, has been reversed in 2014/15. As the donation was made in accordance with extant guidance at that time, the reversal has been recorded in the current period, in line with guidance.

#### 2. Profit and loss account

During the period the Company recharged interest paid on loans to AHL. A gift aid payment made in 2013/14 was reversed, as a result the Company made a profit.

#### 3. Directors' emoluments

The Directors are employed by AHL. They do not receive remuneration for their duties as Directors of the Company. Any employment costs are retained by AHL and disclosed as appropriate.

#### 4. Auditor's remuneration

	2015	2014
	£000	£000
Auditor's remuneration – audit services	2	. 2

### Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2015 (continued)

### 5. Interest payable and other finance costs

	2015 £000	2014 £000
Interest payable on the bond Bond premium amortisation	7,875 (31)	6,776 (89)
6. Taxation on ordinary activities	7,844	6,687
Current tax UK corporation tax @ 20%	<b>2015</b> <b>£000</b> 6	2014 £000
Profit chargeable to corporation tax	2015 £000 31	2014 £000
7. Debtors		
Amounts receivable after more than one year  Long term 30 year loan to other Group entities	<b>2015</b> <b>£000</b> 148,479	<b>2014</b> <b>£000</b> 148,424
Amounts receivable in less than one year	2015 £000	2014 £000
Amounts due from parent company	4,845	407
8. Creditors	•	
Amounts falling due in less than one year:  Corporation tax	<b>2015</b> <b>£000</b> 6	2014 £000
Interest payable	407	407
Amounts falling due after more than one year:	2015 £000	2014 £000
30 Year Fixed rate Bond	152,886	152,862
Loans are repayable, otherwise than by instalments as follows	2015 £000	2014 £000
In five years or more	152,886	152,862

#### Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2015 (continued)

#### 8. Creditors (continued)

The set up costs and discount on issue costs are being borne by AHL over the 30 year term.

The bond matures in 2043 with interest charged at a fixed annual rate of 5.25%.

#### **Risk Management Objectives and Policies**

AHL's treasury function is responsible for the management of the funds and control of the associated risks. Its activities are governed by the Group's Board and the Finance Committee is responsible for all the treasury issues in all of the Group's legal entities including AHF.

#### Interest Rate Risk/Hedging

The Company currently borrows funds on a fixed rate basis from the capital markets and then on-lends these to AHL on a similar fixed rate. As such the Company does not bear any interest rate risk, apart from the underlying credit risk with AHL, which is discussed below. The Company does not undertake any hedging activities and it does not have any derivatives.

#### Credit Risks and Uncertainties

As AHF on lends to AHL, the main risk facing AHF is that AHL will be unable to make its interest or principal payments when they fall due. The risk is mitigated in a number of ways:

- The on lent funding to AHL is under a secured loan agreement and is backed by housing assets owned by AHL. If there are any payments which are not made to AHF, then it has the right to enforce the security under the loan
- As evidenced by AHL's A2 credit rating from Moody's Investor Service, the financial performance of AHL is deemed to be strong.

#### 9. Called-up share capital

2015

£

Allotted and issued 50,000 ordinary shares of £1 each.

At 31 March 2015 and 31 March 2014

50,000

£12,500 of issued share capital was paid up.

#### Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2015 (continued)

#### 10. Reserves

·	2015	2014
	000£	£000
At 1 April 2014	(4,438)	-
Profit /(loss) for the year	4,463	(4,438)
At 31 March 2015	25	(4,438)

#### 11. Related party transactions

All intra-group transactions have taken place in the normal course of business and all intragroup lending is at the market rate.

There are no other related party transactions requiring disclosure.

#### 12. Group structure

AmicusHorizon Finance plc is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of AmicusHorizon Limited. The results of the Company have therefore been consolidated within the parent's accounts, which are available on request from:

The Secretary
AmicusHorizon Limited
Grosvenor House
125 High Street
Croydon CR0 9XP

#### 13. Legislative provisions

Amicus Horizon Finance plc is incorporated under the Companies Act 2006.

#### 14. Ultimate parent undertaking

AmicusHorizon Limited is the ultimate parent undertaking and controlling entity of AmicusHorizon Finance plc by virtue of a 100% shareholding.