

**Company Registration No. 08247189 (England and Wales)**

**VERTICAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED**

**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020**

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# VERTICAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 JUNE 2020

	Notes	2020 £	£	2019 £	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Investments	3		5,125		5,125
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	4	2,306,857		2,346,847	
Cash at bank and in hand		107,023		86,091	
		<u>2,413,880</u>		<u>2,432,938</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	5	<u>(5,003)</u>		<u>(16,938)</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			2,408,877		2,416,000
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>2,414,002</u>		<u>2,421,125</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>					
Called up share capital			527		527
Share premium account			2,472,178		2,472,178
Profit and loss reserves			(58,703)		(51,580)
<b>Total equity</b>			<u>2,414,002</u>		<u>2,421,125</u>

The directors of the company have elected not to include a copy of the profit and loss account within the financial statements.

For the financial year ended 30 June 2020 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 19 November 2020 and are signed on its behalf by:

Mr N Kenwyn  
**Director**

**Company Registration No. 08247189**

# VERTICAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020**

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### **1 Accounting policies**

#### **Company information**

Vertical Financial Services Limited is a private company limited by shares incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Kingfisher House, 21/23 Elmfield Road, Bromley, Kent, BR1 1LT.

#### **1.1 Accounting convention**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 as applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime. The disclosure requirements of section 1A of FRS 102 have been applied other than where additional disclosure is required to show a true and fair view.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption under section 399 of the Companies Act 2006 not to prepare consolidated accounts, on the basis that the group of which this is the parent qualifies as a small group. The financial statements present information about the company as an individual entity and not about its group.

#### **1.2 Going concern**

At the time of approving the financial statements, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the directors continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### **1.3 Fixed asset investments**

Interests in subsidiaries, associates and jointly controlled entities are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. The investments are assessed for impairment at each reporting date and any impairment losses or reversals of impairment losses are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

A subsidiary is an entity controlled by the company. Control is the power to govern the financial and operating policies of the entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

An associate is an entity, being neither a subsidiary nor a joint venture, in which the company holds a long-term interest and where the company has significant influence. The company considers that it has significant influence where it has the power to participate in the financial and operating decisions of the associate.

Entities in which the company has a long term interest and shares control under a contractual arrangement are classified as jointly controlled entities.

#### **1.4 Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents are basic financial assets and include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 1 Accounting policies

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#### 1.5 Financial instruments

The company has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the company's balance sheet when the company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

##### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

##### **Impairment of financial assets**

Financial assets, other than those held at fair value through profit and loss, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each reporting end date.

Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows have been affected. If an asset is impaired, the impairment loss is the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of the estimated cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. The impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

If there is a decrease in the impairment loss arising from an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the impairment is reversed. The reversal is such that the current carrying amount does not exceed what the carrying amount would have been, had the impairment not previously been recognised. The impairment reversal is recognised in profit or loss.

##### **Derecognition of financial assets**

Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or when the company transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to another entity, or if some significant risks and rewards of ownership are retained but control of the asset has transferred to another party that is able to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party.

##### **Classification of financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the company after deducting all of its liabilities.

# VERTICAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 1 Accounting policies

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#### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors, bank loans, loans from fellow group companies and preference shares that are classified as debt, are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### **Derecognition of financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the company's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

### 1.6 Equity instruments

Equity instruments issued by the company are recorded at the proceeds received, net of transaction costs.

Dividends payable on equity instruments are recognised as liabilities once they are no longer at the discretion of the company.

### 2 Employees

The average monthly number of persons (including directors) employed by the company during the year was:

	2020 Number	2019 Number
Total	6	6
	=====	=====

### 3 Fixed asset investments

	2020 £	2019 £
Shares in group undertakings and participating interests	5,125	5,125
	=====	=====

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 3 Fixed asset investments (Continued)

#### Movements in fixed asset investments

#### Shares in group undertakings

£

#### Cost or valuation

At 1 July 2019 & 30 June 2020

5,125

#### Carrying amount

At 30 June 2020

5,125

At 30 June 2019

5,125

### 4 Debtors

2020

2019

#### Amounts falling due within one year:

£

£

Amounts owed by group undertakings

2,306,557

2,346,847

Other debtors

300

-

2,306,857

2,346,847

### 5 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

2020

2019

£

£

Taxation and social security

-

15,136

Other creditors

5,003

1,802

5,003

16,938

### 6 Charges

Onesavings Bank PLC holds a fixed and floating charge over the assets of the company against a loan borrowed by VFS Legal Ltd, a subsidiary undertaking of £28,750,000 (2019 - £30,350,000).

### 7 Related party transactions

#### Transactions with related parties

During the year the company entered into the following transactions with related parties:

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**7 Related party transactions**

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At the balance sheet date included in debtors are amounts due from the subsidiaries of Vertical Financial Services Limited as detailed below:

VFS Legal Limited - £297,335 (2019 - £656,554)

Virtual Business Operations Limited - £2,009,222 (2019 - £1,690,293)

Both intercompany loans to VFS Legal Limited and Virtual Business Operations Limited are repayable on demand and no interest is charged on the outstanding amounts. However the directors have confirmed that there are no plans to call in the outstanding amounts in the foreseeable future.



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