Company Registration No. 08720269 (England and Wales)

Avian Films Limited

Annual report and financial statements for the period ended 31 December 2019



Company information

Directors

David Hodgson

(Appointed 29 October 2020) (Appointed 3 June 2019)

Leon Morgan John Alfred

(Appointed 29 October 2020)

Howard Meyers

Louis Phillips

(Appointed 12 February 2020)

Secretary

Alison Mansfield

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Directors' report

For the period ended 31 December 2019

The directors present their annual report and financial statements for the Period ended 31 December 2019.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the company during the year was that of motion picture production.

Directors

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

David Hodgson (Appointed 29 October 2020)

Adam Moysey (Resigned 29 May 2019)

Robert Walak (Resigned 29 October 2020) Leon Morgan (Appointed 3 June 2019)

John Alfred (Appointed 29 October 2020)

Howard Meyers

Louis Phillips (Appointed 12 February 2020)

Results and dividends

No ordinary dividend (2019: £25,000) was paid in the year. The directors do not recommend payment of a final dividend.

Auditor

The auditor, Saffery Champness 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.

Covid-19

The global outbreak of the coronavirus disease ("COVID-19") was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organisation in March 2020. There has been only a limited impact on the company as the production was released in a prior period.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

On behalf of the board

John Alfred 4E4AD...

DocuSigned by:

Director Dec 21, 2021

Directors' responsibilities statement For the period ended 31 December 2019

The directors are responsible for preparing the annual 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 United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). 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;
- 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.

Independent auditor's report To the member of Avian Films Limited

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Avian Films Limited (the 'company') for the Period ended 31 December 2019 which comprise the income statement, the statement of financial position, the statement of changes in equity and notes to the financial statements, 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 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2019 and of its profit for the Period 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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Independent auditor's report (continued) To the member of Avian Films Limited

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, 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 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 or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit:

- the information given in the directors' report for the financial Period for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report has 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 directors' report.

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; or
- the directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the directors' report and take advantage of the small companies exemption from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

Independent auditor's report (continued)
To the member of Avian Films Limited

Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement, 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.

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.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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 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 member for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Nigel Walde (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Saffery Champness LLP

23rd December 2021

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Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditors

71 Queen Victoria Street London EC4V 4BE

Avian Films Limited

Income statement For the period ended 31 December 2019

		Period	Year
		ended	ended
		31 December	31 March
1		2019	2019
	Notes	£	£
Turnover	3	(192,579)	457,047
Cost of sales		212,329	(475,423)
Gross profit/(loss)		19,750	(18,376)
Administrative expenses		(8,500)	(15,694)
Profit/(loss) before taxation		11,250	(34,070)
Tax on profit/(loss)	7	-	49,070
Profit for the financial Period		11,250	15,000

The income statement has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

Statement of financial position As at 31 December 2019

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•			2019		2019
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Debtors	8	88,268		73,317	
Cash at bank and in hand		9,558		17,352	
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		97,826		90,669	
Creditors: amounts falling due within					
one year	9	(61,575)		(65,668)	
Net current assets			36,251		25,001
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	10		1		1
Profit and loss reserves			36,250		25,000
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Total equity			36,251		25,001
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The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on and are signed on its behalf by:

DocuSigned by:

John Alfred

Director

Company Registration No. 08720269

Statement of changes in equity For the period ended 31 December 2019

		Share capital	Profit and loss reserves	Total
	Notes	£	£	£
Balance at 1 April 2018		1	35,000	35,001
Year ended 31 March 2019:				
Profit and total comprehensive income for the year	•	-	15,000	15,000
Dividends	6	-	(25,000)	(25,000)
Balance at 31 March 2019		1	25,000	25,001
Balance at 1 April 2019		1	25,000	25,001
Period ended 31 December 2019:				
Effect of restatement in respect of prior period errors		-	_	
Profit and total comprehensive income for the period		-	11,250	11,250
Balance at 31 December 2019		1	36,250	36,251
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Notes to the financial statements For the period ended 31 December 2019

1 Accounting policies

Company information

Avian Films Limited is a private company limited by shares incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 1 Central St. Giles, St. Giles High Street, London, WC2H 8NU.

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.

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, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

This company is a qualifying entity for the purposes of FRS 102, being a member of a group where the parent of that group prepares publicly available consolidated financial statements, including this company, which are intended to give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the group. The company has therefore taken advantage of exemptions from the following disclosure requirements:

- Section 4 'Statement of Financial Position' Reconciliation of the opening and closing number of shares;
- Section 7 'Statement of Cash Flows' Presentation of a statement of cash flow and related notes and disclosures;
- Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instrument Issues' –
 Carrying amounts, interest income/expense and net gains/losses for each category of financial
 instrument; basis of determining fair values; details of collateral, loan defaults or breaches,
 details of hedges, hedging fair value changes recognised in profit or loss and in other
 comprehensive income;
- Section 33 'Related Party Disclosures' Compensation for key management personnel.

The financial statements of the company are consolidated in the financial statements of Comcast Corporation. These consolidated financial statements are available from its registered office, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, New York 10112-0002, USA.

1.2 Reporting period

The financial statements are presented for a 9 month period ending 31 December 2019. The prior financial statements are for the 12 month period to 31 March 2019. Therefore the periods are not entirely comparable.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the period ended 31 December 2019

1 Accounting policies (continued)

1.3 Turnover

In respect of long-term contracts for ongoing services, turnover represents the value of work done in the period, including estimates for amounts not invoiced. Value of work done in respect of long-term contracts and contracts for ongoing services is determined by reference to the stage of completion.

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.

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 statement of financial position 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, 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.

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.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the period ended 31 December 2019

1 Accounting policies (continued)

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.

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.

Changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as fair value hedges are recognised in profit or loss immediately, together with any changes in the fair value of the hedged asset or liability that are attributable to the hedged risk.

1.7 Taxation

The tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently recoverable and deferred tax.

Current tax

The tax currently recoverable is based on relievable losses arising in the period as the result of film tax relief legislation. Relievable losses differ from net losses as reported in the profit and loss account because they include an additional deduction relating to qualifying film development expenditure and exclude items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years as well as items that are never taxable or deductible. The company's asset for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting end date.

1.8 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense, unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of stock or fixed assets.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the company is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the period ended 31 December 2019

1 Accounting policies (continued)

1.9 Foreign exchange

The company's functional currency is the pound sterling.

Transactions in currencies other than pounds sterling are recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing at the dates of the transactions where practicable, else at the average rate over the period in which the transactions were incurred. At each reporting end date, monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the reporting end date. Gains and losses arising on translation are included in the profit and loss account for the period.

2 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

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 where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Turnover and other revenue

An analysis of the company's turnover is as follows:

	2019	2019
	£	£
Turnover analysed by class of business		
Sale of rights	(192,579)	457,047
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	2019	2019
•		2019
	£	£
Turnover analysed by geographical market		
United States of America	(192,579)	457,047
		

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the period ended 31 December 2019

4	Operating profit/(loss)	2040	2010
		2019	2019
	Operating profit/(loss) for the period is stated after charging:	£	£
	Fees payable to the company's auditor for the audit of the company's		
	financial statements	5,000	12,381
	Fees payable to the company's auditors for non-audit services	3,500 =====	5,000
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5	Employees		
	The average monthly number of persons (including directors) employed b period was nil (2019 - Nil).	y the company	during the
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	During the current and prior period, no Director received any emoluments.		
6	Dividends		
		2019	2019
		£	Ė
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	Interim paid	-	25,000
		====	
7	Taxation		
		2019	2019
		£	£
	Current tax		
	UK corporation tax on profits for the current period	-	(49,070)

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the period ended 31 December 2019

7 Taxation (continued)

The actual charge/(credit) for the Period can be reconciled to the expected charge/(credit) for the Period based on the profit or loss and the standard rate of tax as follows:

		2019 £	2019 £
	Profit/(loss) before taxation	11,250	(34,070)
	Expected tax charge/(credit) based on the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.00% (2019: 19.00%) Enhanced losses arising from the film tax credit Difference between the rate of corporation tax and the rate of relief under the film tax credit Losses carried forward Group relief surrendered/(claimed) Taxation charge/(credit) for the period	2,138 312,036	(6,473) (45,719) (11,777) 14,899
8	Debtors Amounts falling due within one year:	2019 £	2019 £
	Corporation tax recoverable Amounts owed from fellow group undertakings Other debtors	49,070 35,557 3,641 ————————————————————————————————————	49,070 16,358 7,889 ———————————————————————————————————
9	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2019 £	2019 £
•	Trade creditors Other creditors	13,660 47,915 ————————————————————————————————————	65,668 ————

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the period ended 31 December 2019

10	Called up share capital		
		2019	2019
		£	£
	Ordinary share capital		
	Issued and fully paid		
	1 ordinary share of £1 each	. 1	1

11 Prior period error

Following the balance sheet date, it was discovered that the historic allocation of participation cost in relation to specific individual film titles led to an overaccrual of costs.

It is considered impracticable to determine the period-specific effects of the error on the comparative period presented, due to the complex nature of the underlying calculation.

As such, the opening balances of the assets, liabilities and equity in the current period has been restated. The impact on the brought forward net assets of the company is £nil. The line items affected were corporation tax payable and amounts owed to fellow subsidiary undertakings (£314,174), which were then subject to group relief.

12 Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption under paragraph 33.1a of FRS102 from disclosing transactions entered into between two or more members of a group, where any subsidiary undertaking which is a party to the transaction is wholly owned by a member of that group.

13 Controlling party

The company's immediate parent undertaking is Universal Pictures Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.

The smallest group in which the results of the company are consolidated is that headed by Comcast Corporation, a company incorporated in the United States of America. The largest group in which the results of the company are consolidated is that headed by its ultimate parent undertaking, Comcast Corporation, a company incorporated in the United States of America. The consolidated financial statements for these companies are available to the public at 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, New York 10112-0002, USA and One Comcast Center, 1701 John F Kennedy Blvd, 47th Floor, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2838, USA or at www.comcast.com respectively.