**Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements** 

For the period 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018

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# Coast Holdco 1 Limited Strategic Report

### For the period 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018

#### Strategy and Objectives

Coast Holdco 1 Limited ("The Company") is the holding company for the Coast group of companies.

The principal activities of the Coast Group are the origination and production of exclusive women's clothing and fashion accessories under the 'Coast' brand name for sale through its own retail outlets in the United Kingdom and Europe, as well as to wholesale and franchisee partners for sale through outlets in Europe, the Middle East, and the Far East. Coast also sells products through the www.coast-stores.com online platform.

At year end 24 February 2018, the Coast Group operated 218 solus and concession stores in the UK & Ireland and Europe, and 57 franchise stores worldwide and employed an average of 1,034 staff in the period.

The Coast Group's objective is to grow sales profitability and to optimise returns for its shareholders. This objective will be delivered by driving brand performance and leveraging existing assets while continuing to exploit the significant opportunity offered by the development of new stores, concessions wholesale and franchisee partners and ecommerce channels both in the UK and internationally.

#### **Business Model**

Product strategy is focused on the end-use requirement of our customers. We will continue to strengthen and defend our core 'FORMAL' categories but also grow/develop new 'RELAXED' product with the first full year of our 'FRIDAY' range exceeding plans and indicating strong future potential.

Against the background of a difficult retail environment and softening of the UK occasionwear market, total sales for the period amounted to £80.9 million (2017: £85.2 million). Within this Coast digital sales mix increased as more people chose to purchase on line resulting in a decline in density across physical space.

Coast has continued to focus on digital growth following the prior year digital re-platform and subsequent enhancements including the launch of click and collect delivering a digital sales mix % of 32%.

The brand refitted 3 stand-alone stores to the new concept (Bluewater, Milton Keynes and Meadowhall), net closure of 7 concessions across UK and Europe and 1 unprofitable stand-alone store.

The turnaround of the business over the past few years was recognised by the industry as Coast was awarded Best (small) Fashion Brand at the Drapers Awards 2017.

#### **KPI's**

The Directors use a number of key performance indicators which they consider are effective in measuring delivery of their strategy, and which assist in the management of the business. They assess individual store performance by monitoring changes in sales, margins and profitability. The main measure of profitability is EBITDA (earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation) before exceptional costs.

EBITDA for the year was £1.5 million (2017: £3.4 million), a decrease of £1.9 million. Off the back of a difficult season, the clearance of terminal stocks in Autumn Winter resulted in an increased mark down sales mix coupled with a lower mark down margin. This adversely impacted the gross profit margin compared to the prior year, however significant savings were delivered across all costs lines to partly offset this shortfall.

Online continues to be an important part of the brand's growth strategy. Over the period, online sales performed well achieving positive like for like growth and increasing to 32% of the total company sales, up 2% compared to the previous year (2017: 30%).

During the 2017/18 period, the Coast Group made capex investments totalling £1.5m, of which £0.4m were invested in the store portfolio (new and refits) and £1.1m in IT and e-commerce related projects.

The gross profit margin fell slightly in the period to 57.6% (2017: 59.2%).

Distribution costs and administrative expenses, which are monitored and controlled by management, amounted to £47.2 million (2017: £48.8 million); a £1.6 million decrease compared to the prior year.

The increase in interest payable of £1.7 million in the period is primarily driven by the movement in foreign currency forward contracts measured at fair value. The fair value is calculated as the difference between the strike rate and forward rate, this is the difference between the contractually agreed rate and the market rate that could be achieved if you entered into the same contract at the balance sheet date.

The loss after tax for the period was £3.4 million (2017: profit of £2.4 million) after taking into account net finance costs of -£2.2 million (2017: -£0.5 million).

# Strategic Report (continued)

#### For the period 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018

#### **Future developments**

The Coast Group will continue to focus on driving brand performance and leveraging existing assets while continuing to exploit the significant opportunity offered by increasing accessibility to more customers in more markets, both in the UK and internationally.

Having successfully completed the turnaround programme the business focus now shifts to a clear growth strategy, with 4 key pillars;-

- · Consolidate / refresh store portfolio
- · Digital growth
- International Wholesale expansion
- · Broaden product appeal

Further to the above there will be continued investment in the underlying infrastructure and integration between channels as well as investment in fulfilment capabilities to drive efficiencies.

#### Principal Risks and Uncertainties

#### Changes in fashion trends

The principal risk faced by the Group is that the product offering declines in popularity, leading to reduced revenues, margins and cash flow. Across the Group the risk is managed by operating a buying and merchandising model which focuses on generating fashionable product lines, short lead times and low stock levels. There continues to be uncertainty and pressures around UK high street retailing, the Group will continue to monitor the industry conditions and will make decisions based on management's assessment.

#### Supply chain

The Group is dependent on the ability of its suppliers to manufacture its products to the desired quality and standards and on its logistics providers to ensure it reaches the required location on a timely basis. The standards, arrangements and contingency plans are under constant review by management.

#### Liquidity risk

The finance facilities held by the Oasis and Warehouse Group, Coast Group, and Karen Millen Group are subject to financial covenant targets that adjust through to maturity of the loans. Performance against the covenants is measured quarterly. Further details are contained in note 1.4 'Going concern' and note 24 'Guarantees and commitments'.

### Going Concern

Note 1.4 to the financial statements sets out the basis of preparation of the financial statements. As explained in note 1.4; having taken account of the Group's profit for the period, the directors consider that it continues to be appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the basis that the Group is a going concern.

#### Curréncy risk

The Group is exposed to foreign currency risks on sales and purchases. Exposures are primarily to the US Dollar and the Euro. Forecast transactional exposures are reviewed and hedged based on forecasted levels of foreign currency transactions. Hedging is achieved using forward exchange contracts and other suitable derivative products.

# Brexit<sup>-</sup>risk

Brexit continues to fuel uncertainty in the marketplace bringing risk to the business around currency and consumer confidence. Inflation continues to exceed wage growth putting pressure on consumer spending.

By Order of the Board

Andrew Skinner Director 6/1/2018

## **Directors' Report**

For the period 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements of Coast Holdco 1 Limited ("the Company") and Coast Holdco 1 Limited and its subsidiary undertakings ("the Coast Group") for the period from 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018.

The Company was incorporated on 21 September 2015, and is a member of Aurora Fashions Group Limited (together with its subsidiaries "the Aurora Group").

The current period relates to the 52 week period from 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018. The prior period covers the 52 week period from 28 February 2016 to 25 February 2017.

#### Results and dividends

The Coast Group's results are set out on page 9.

The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2017: £ nil).

#### Post balance sheet events

There are no significant post balance sheet events which affect the financial statements.

#### Political contributions

The Group made no political contributions during the period (2017: £nil):

#### Directors

The current Directors of the Company are listed on page 2.

There have been no changes in Directors since the start of the period.

#### **Employees**

Considerable importance is placed on communication, involvement and motivation of the employees and management of the Coast Group. Two way communication ensures that employees are kept informed of the performance of the Coast Group and of any key initiatives or projects, through regular briefings and bulletins.

The Coast Group is committed to the continuing development of its employees and the implementation of policies that enable them to contribute to the performance and long term effectiveness of the organisation. Every opportunity is taken to reinforce our values throughout the business.

Equality of opportunity is encouraged irrespective of sex, marital status, colour, race, ethnic origin, nationality, religion, age or disability. The same opportunities are offered to disabled people as to all others in respect of recruitment and career advancement. Employees who become disabled will, wherever possible, be retained, rehabilitated and retrained.

### Disclosure of information to auditor

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

#### Auditor

Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditor will be deemed to be reappointed and KPMG LLP will therefore continue in office.

By Order of the Board

Andrew Skinner Director 6/7/...2018

# Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in respect of the Strategic Report, Directors' Report and financial statements

For the period 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018

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 they have elected to prepare the group and parent company financial statements in accordance with UK accounting standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

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 group and parent company and of their profit or loss for that period. In preparing each of the group and parent company financial statements, the directors are required to:

- · select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and 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 group and parent 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 either intend to liquidate the group or the parent 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 parent company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the parent company and enable them to ensure that its 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 group and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website. Legislation in the UK governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.



#### Independent auditor's report to the members of Coast Holdco 1 Limited

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Coast Holdco 1 Limited for the period ended 24 February 2018, which comprise the consolidated Profit and Loss account and other comprehensive income, Consolidated balance sheet, Company balance sheet, Consolidated statement of changes in equity, Consolidated cash flow statement 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 group's and of the parent company's affairs as at 24 February 2018 and of the group's loss for the period then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK accounting standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland; 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 group 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

We are required to report to you if we have concluded that the use of the going concern basis of accounting is inappropriate or there is an undisclosed material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt over the use of that basis for a period of at least twelve months from the date of approval of the financial statements. We have nothing to report in these respects.

#### 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 by the parent company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been
- the parent company 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.



## Independent auditor's report to the members of Coast Holdco 1 Limited (continued)

#### 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 group and parent 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 group or the parent 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 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.

Jonathan Russell (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of KPMG LLP

Chartered Accountants Arlington Business Park, Theale, Reading, RG7 4SD 18h JJ 2018

# Consolidated profit and loss account and other comprehensive income

For the period 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018

		26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018	28 February 2016 to 25 February 2017
	Note	Total £m	Total £m
Turnover: group and share of joint venture's turnover Less: share of joint venture's turnover		96.3 -15.4	99.2 14.0
Group Turnover	2	, 80.9	85.2
Cost of sales		-34.3	34.8
Gross profit	•	46.6	50.4
Distribution costs	-	-34.9	-36.0
Administrative expenses			<u>-12.8</u>
Group operating (loss)/profit	3	-0.6	1.6
Exceptional Items	4	-0.6	-0.4 .
Group's share of operating profit in joint venture		0.3	0.1
Interest payable and similar expenses	7	-2.2	-0.5
(Loss)/profit before taxation	•	-3.1	0.8
Tax on (loss)/profit	. 8	-0.3	1.6
(Loss)/profit for the financial year		-3.4	2.4
Other comprehensive income Foreign exchange difference on translation of foreign of	perations	0.1	0.1
Total comprehensive income for the year	•	-3.3	2.5

The profit and loss account has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

# Coast Holdco 1 Limited Consolidated balance sheet

As at 24 February 2018

:			•
	Notë	24 February 2018 £m	25 February 2017 £m
Fixed assets Intangible assets	•		
Goodwill	9	1.2	1.3
Tangible fixed assets	10	4.3	4.4
		5.5	5.7
Current assets		:	
Stocks	12	8.8	8.7
Debtors (including £1.4m (2017: £1.6m) due after more than one year)	13	8.7	10.6
Cash at bank and in hand	14	7.4	10.7
	•		•
	•	24.9	30.0
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	-14.1	
Net current assets		10.8	13.6
Total assets less current liabilities		16.3	19.3
Creditors : amounts falling due after more than one year	16	-6.2	-5.9
Net assets		10.1	13.4
Capital and reserves			•
Called up share capital	20	-	-
Share premium account	21	. 37.0	37.0
Other reserves	21	8.7	8.7
Profit and loss account.	2.1	<u>-35.6</u>	-32.3
Shareholder's funds	,	<u>10.1</u> .	13.4

The notes on pages 15 to 30 also form part of these financial statements.

Andrew Skinner Director

Company Registered Number: 9787753 (England and Wales)

# Coast Holdco 1 Limited Company balance sheet

As at 24 February 2018

	Notës	24 February 2018 £m	25 February 2017 £m
Fixed assets Investments	 11	37.0	37.0
Net assets		37.0	37.0
Capital and reserves Called up share capital Share premium account Profit and loss account	20 21 21	37.0 	37.0
Shareholder's funds	•	37.0	37.0

The notes on pages 15 to 30 also form part of these financial statements.

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on .61.71....2018 and signed on its behalf by:

Andrew Skinner Director

Company Registered Number: 9787753 (England and Wales)

# Consolidated statement of changes in equity

For the period 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018

•	Note	Called up share capital £m	Share premium account £m	Other reserves £m	Profit and loss account £m	Total equity £m
Balance at 28 February 2016			37.0	<b>8.7</b>	-34.8	10.9
Profit for the period		-	-	-	2.4	2.4
Other comprehensive income			-	<u>.</u>	0.1	0.1
Balance at 25 February 2017		•	37.0	. 8:7	-32.3	13.4
		Called up share capital £m	Share premium account £m	Other reserves £m	Profit and loss account £m	Total equity £m
Balance at 26 February 2017	•	٠,	37.0	8.7	-32.3	13.4
Loss for the period	. 21	<del>-</del> .	-	-	-3.4	-3.4
Other comprehensive income	21		<u>.                                     </u>		0.1	0.1
Balance at 24 February 2018			37.0	8.7	-35.6	10.1

# Coast Holdco 1 Limited Company statement of changes in equity

For the period 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018

	Cälled up share capital £m	Share premium account £m	Profit and loss account £m	Total equity £m
Balance at incorporation	-	.37.0	•	37.0
Result for the period	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
Balance at 25 February 2017		37.0	-	37.0
	Called up share capital £m	Share premium account £m	Profit and Toss account	Total equity £m
Balance at 26 February 2017	<del>,</del>	37.0	-	37.0
Result for the period				
Balance at 24 February 2018	<u></u>	37.0		37.0

# Consolidated cash flow statement

For the period 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018

Cash flows from operating activities	Notes	26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018 £m	28 February 2016 to 25 February 2017 £m
(Loss)/profit for the year		-3.4	2.4
Adjustments for:		á.57	1.7
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment Interest payable and similar charges		1.7 2.2	0.5
Taxation	,	0.3	-1.6
Change in value of stock provision		-0.1	-0.4
,	•	.0,7	2.6
Decrease/(increase) in trade and other debtors		1.7	-0.8
Decrease in stocks		0.2	-0.3
(Decrease)/increase in trade and other creditors		-3.8 -1.9	1.9
·		-1.9	0.0
Tax paid			-
Net cash from operating activities		-1.3	3.4.
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	10	-2.0	
Net cash from investing activities		-2.0	
Net cash from financing activities		·	_
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		-3.3	· 1.7
Cash and cash equivalents at the start of the period		7.2	5.5
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	14	3.9	7.2

## For the period 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018

## 1. Accounting policies

Coast Holdco 1 Limited (the "Company") is a private company limited by shares which is incorporated, domiciled and registered in England and Wales. The registered number is 9787753 and the registered address is The Triangle, Stanton Harcourt Industrial Estate, Stanton Harcourt, Witney, Oxfordshire, OX29 5UT, UK.

#### 1.1 Basis of Preparation - Accounting Convention

The Group and individual financial statements of Coast Holdco 1 Limited have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102, *The Financial Reporting Standard* applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102").

The presentational currency of these financial statements is sterling. All amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest £0.1m unless otherwise stated.

#### 1.2 Compliance with accounting standards

The parent company is included in the consolidated financial statements, and is considered to be a qualifying entity under FRS 102 paragraphs 1.8 to 1.12. the following exemptions available under FRS 102 in respect of certain disclosures for the parent company financial statements have been applied:

- The reconciliation of the number of shares outstanding from the beginning to the end of the period has not been included a second time;
- No separate parent company Cash Flow Statement with related notes are included; and
- Key Management Personnel compensation has not been included a second time.

The accounting policies set out below have, unless otherwise stated, been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements.

Judgements made by the directors, in the application of these accounting policies that have significant effect on the financial statements and estimates with a significant risk of material adjustment in the next year are discussed in note 1.16.

#### 1.3 Measurement convention

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis except that the following assets and liabilities are stated at fair value: financial instruments classified at fair value through the profit and loss.

#### Notes forming part of the financial statements (continued)

# For the period 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018

#### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.4 Basis of preparation - going concern

Aurora Fashions Group Limited is the holding company for the Aurora group of companies (the "Aurora Group"). Kaupthing Bank his holding of shares in Aurora Fashions Group Limited comprises 100% of all share capital by nominal value and 100% of the voting rights across all share capital.

The Coast Group made a loss for the year of £3.4 million (2017: profit £2.4 million) and had net current assets of £10.8 million (2017: £13.6 million) and net assets of £10.1 million (2017: £13.4 million).

Notwithstanding this, the directors have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis for the reasons set out below:

The directors have prepared projected cash flows for the period ending approximately 15 months from the approval of these financial statements (the "Projections"). The Projections are based on certain assumptions and show that the Aurora Group is capable of operating within the facilities currently available and complying with the covenant requirements for the full term covered by the Projections.

The directors of Aurora Fashions Group Limited have tested the impact of variations from the Projections by assessing the adequacy of the Aurora Group's funds, under a combination of different scenarios constructed to reflect reasonably possible downside risks to the assumptions contained within the Projections. The directors recognise that in the current economic environment, the main risks relate to the achievability of the Aurora Group's forecast sales and margins and the timing of cash flows going forward. In such downside scenarios, the ability to continue to operate would be dependent on maintaining compliance with the financial covenants by implementing various cost saving initiatives within the timescales required. The directors consider that, in all reasonable downside scenarios, there are cost saving measures available to the Aurora Group to implement which would avoid breaching the terms of any financial covenant.

A letter of support has been given by Kaupthing ehf to the directors of Aurora Fashions Group Limited committing to provide continuing financial support to the Aurora Group to the extent necessary.

Given the facts and circumstances described above and after making enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company and the Aurora Group have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and financial statements.

#### 1.5 Foreign currency translation

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded using the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. An average monthly spot rate is used in relation to the translation of foreign subsidiaries. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated using the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date and the gains or losses on translation are included in the profit and loss account.

The assets and liabilities of overseas subsidiary undertakings are translated at the closing exchange rates. Gains and losses arising on these translations are taken to reserves. Profit and loss accounts of such undertakings are consolidated at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the underlying transactions.

#### Notes forming part of the financial statements (continued)

For the period 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018

#### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.6 Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiary undertakings made up to 24 February 2018. The acquisition method of accounting has been adopted. Under this method, the results of subsidiary undertakings acquired or disposed of in the period are included in the consolidated profit and loss account from the date of acquisition or up to the date of disposal.

Coast Holdco 1 Limited was incorporated on 21 September 2015. On 2 October 2015 the company became the new holdings company for the Coast Group. This was put into effect through a share-for-share exchange of 8.7m ordinary shares of £1 in the company for the whole issued share capital of the Coast Group. Accordingly, the group has applied Group Reconstruction Relief under s611 of CA2006 and the principles of FRS 102 section 19 Business Combinations and Goodwill and has accounted for this new holding company as a capital reorganisation using merger accounting. Therefore the financial statements of the Group are presented as if the acquired entities had always been part of the Group.

An associate is an undertaking in which the Group has a long term interest, usually from 20% to 50% of the equity voting rights, and over which it exercises significant influence. A joint venture is an undertaking in which the Group has a long-term interest and over which it exercises joint control. The Group's share of the profits less losses of associates and of joint ventures is included in the consolidated profit and loss account and its interest in their net assets is included in investments in the consolidated balance sheet

Where a group company is party to a joint arrangement which is not an entity, that company accounts directly for its part of the income and expenditure, assets, liabilities and cash flows. Such arrangements are reported in the consolidated financial statements on the same basis.

Under section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 the Company is exempt from the requirement to present its own profit and loss account

#### 1.7 Financial Instruments

In accordance with FRS 102.22, financial instruments issued by the group are treated as equity only to the extent that they meet the following two conditions:

- (a) they include no contractual obligations upon the group to deliver cash or other financial assets or to exchange financial assets or financial liabilities with another party under conditions that are potentially unfavourable to the group; and
- (b) where the instrument will or may be settled in the entity's own equity instruments, it is either a non-derivative that includes no obligation to deliver a variable number of the entity's own equity instruments or is a derivative that will be settled by the entity exchanging a fixed amount of cash or other financial assets for a fixed number of its own equity instruments.

To the extent that this definition is not met, the proceeds of issue are classified as a financial liability. Where the instrument so classified takes the legal form of the entity's own shares, the amounts presented in these financial statements for called up share capital and share premium account exclude amounts in relation to those shares.

Where a financial instrument that contains both equity and financial liability components exists these components are separated and accounted for individually under the above policy. Transaction costs are allocated between the debt component and the equity component on the basis of their relative fair values.

### Derivative financial instruments

Derivative financial instruments are recognised at fair value. The gain or loss on remeasurement to fair value is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

### Notes forming part of the financial statements (continued)

#### For the period 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018

#### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.8 Basic financial instruments

#### Trade and other debtors / creditors

Trade and other debtors are recognised initially at transaction price less attributable transaction costs. Trade and other creditors are recognised initially at transaction price plus attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses in the case of trade debtors. If the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, for example if payment is deferred beyond normal business terms, then it is measured at the present value of future payments discounted at a market rate of instrument for a similar debt instrument.

#### Interest-bearing borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings are recognised initially at the present value of future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Subsequent to initial recognition, interest-bearing borrowings are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and call deposits. Bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Company's cash management are included as a component of cash and cash equivalents for the purpose only of the cash flow statement.

#### 1.9 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life on a straight line basis, as follows:

Leasehold improvements
Fixtures and fittings
Computer hardware and software

Over period of lease 4-10 years 3-5 years

#### 1.10 Business combinations

Business combinations are accounted for using the purchase method as at the acquisition date, which is the date on which control is transferred to the entity.

#### 1.11 Intangible fixed assets, goodwill and amortisation

On the acquisition of a business, fair values are attributed to the net assets acquired. Goodwill arises where the fair value of the consideration given for a business exceeds fair value of such net assets.

At the date of transition to FRS 102, the Groups goodwill had a remaining useful economic life of 15 years. There have been no events which affect this estimate at the date of transition to FRS 102, and as such the Directors consider it appropriate to continue to amortise the goodwill over this period on a straight-line basis as it reflects management's best estimate of it's useful economic life. Goodwill has no residual value. In support of the continuing useful economic life, factors considered are the nature of the business, product lifecycle and overall industry sector performance and projections. Net present value of future cash inflows are measured at respective entity level, key assumptions are based on historical trends and future market expectations.

The Group performs an annual impairment review of the Goodwill, and if it considers that the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount then the difference will be recognised as an impairment loss through the profit and loss account.

For purchased goodwill arising on acquisitions after the date of transition to FRS 102, goodwill will be capitalised and amortised through the profit and loss account over a period of 10 years unless the directors consider it has a materially different useful life.

#### 1.12 Investments

Investments are included at cost less impairments.

#### 1.13 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is based on normal levels of activity and where appropriate, the cost of transportation and conversion to current location and condition. Net realisable value comprises the actual or estimated selling price less all further costs to completion.

## Notes forming part of the financial statements (continued)

#### For the period 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018

#### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.14 Impairments

The carrying amounts of the Group'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 is recognised when the carrying amount of an investment, fixed asset or goodwill exceeds the recoverable amount. The recoverable amount of the asset is the higher of net realisable value or value in use. To the extent that the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount, the difference will be recognised as an impairment loss through the profit and loss account.

In respect of Tangible Fixed Assets held at retail locations, management use the concept of payback period, defined as net book value divided by EBITDA, to help identify any indicators of impairment. Where such an indicator exists, an assessment of the retail location's prospects is performed based on budgeted data and facts and circumstances specific to that location. Retail locations where management do not expect a sufficient improvement in performance, or where there exists a plan to close the store, the assets assigned to that store are impaired in full where management deem that the recoverable amount is zero.

Where an indicator of impairment exists in respect of Goodwill or Investments, the value in use is assessed by discounting the expected future cash flows to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the rate of return expected on an equally risky investment. Management assess that future cash flows approximate to the EBITDA generated by the assets that gave rise to the goodwill, or to the EBITDA generated by the subsidiary undertakings in the case of Investments.

## 1.15 Employee Benefits

The company provides a range of benefits to employees including paid holiday arrangements, product discount facilities, and private health insurance, amongst others.

The Company provides access to a stakeholder pension for all UK employees. In addition, contributions are made to specific employees' personal pension plans. In accordance with government legislation, in October 2013 all eligible employees were autoenrolled into a qualifying pension scheme.

#### Share based payments

The Group provides share-based payment arrangements to certain employees.

Equity-settled arrangements are measured at fair value (excluding the effect on nonmarket based vesting conditions) at the date of the grant. The fair value is expensed on a straight-line basis over the vesting period. The amount recognised as an expense is adjusted to reflect the actual number of shares or options that will vest.

Where equity-settled arrangements are modified, and are of benefit to the employee, the incremental fair value is recognised over the period from the date of modification to date of vesting. Where a modification is not beneficial to the employee there is no change to the charge for share-based payment. Settlements and cancellations are treated as an acceleration of vesting and the unvested amount is recognised immediately in the income statement.

# 1.16 Accounting estimates and judgements

The Group and Company estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The accounting estimates believed to require the most difficult, subjective or complex judgements and which are the most critical to the reporting of results and financial positions are as follows:

- · carrying value of assets relating to goodwill
- · carrying value of deferred tax asset

The Group tests annually whether goodwill has suffered any impairment in accordance with the accounting policy stated. The recoverable amount of goodwill has been determined based on the fair value of net assets acquired and net present value of future cash inflows, the calculation of which requires the use of estimates.

Management review annually the recognition of any deferred tax asset to the extent that they are regarded as recoverable, on the basis of all available evidence it can be regarded as more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted.

#### Notes forming part of the financial statements (continued)

#### For the period 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018

#### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.17 Provisions

A provision is recognised where the group has a legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event and it is probable that the outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation.

#### 1.18 Turnover

Turnover is measured at fair value and represents the net value of goods sold, services provided or royalties received excluding value added tax, delivered to third party customers in the accounting period. The company operates retail shops and ecommerce sites for the sale of a range of own branded products. Sales of goods are recognised upon sale to the customer, which is considered the point of delivery. Retail sales are usually by cash or payment card. Goods are deemed to have been delivered to customers when the customer has access to the significant benefits inherent in the goods and the exposure to the risks inherent in these benefits and the time period for rejection has elapsed. Turnover from sales of goods to franchise/wholesale partners is recognised at point of despatch. Turnover from royalties is recognised when earned. Terms of all non 'own' retail activity is explicit within the relevant agreement.

#### 1.19 Expenses

#### Operating lease

Payments (excluding costs for services and insurance) made under operating leases are recognised in the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease unless the payments to the lessor are structured to increase in line with expected general inflation; in which case the payments related to the structured increases are recognised as incurred. Lease incentives received are recognised in profit and loss over the term of the lease as an integral part of the total lease expense.

#### Interest receivable and interest payable

Interest payable and similar charges include interest payable, finance charges and net foreign exchange losses that are recognised in the profit and loss account.

Other interest receivable and similar income include interest receivable on funds invested and net foreign exchange gains.

Interest income and interest payable are recognised in profit and loss as they accrue, using the effective interest method.

#### 1.20 Tax

Tax on the profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the profit and loss account except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity or other comprehensive income, in which case it is recognised directly in equity or other comprehensive income.

Current tax is the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Deferred tax is provided on timing differences which arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in the financial statements. Deferred tax is measured at the tax rate that is expected to apply to the reversal of the related difference, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date. Deferred tax balances are not discounted. Deferred tax is not recognised on permanent differences arising because certain types of income or expense are non-taxable or are disallowable for tax or because certain tax charges or allowances are greater or smaller than the corresponding income or tax.

Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that is it probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

# Notes forming part of the financial statements (continued)

For the period 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018

activity	Turnover	11 m	00.51 0045: 55
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Notes   Section   Sectio	Retailing	68.8	73.4
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Total turnover			4.2
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Exceptional costs include store exit costs, staff costs and professional fees of a one off nature. These costs are not considered to be normal operating costs and as such are categorised as exceptional.

#### Auditor's remuneration

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In the current and previous periods, the remuneration payable in relation to audit services for the whole Coast Group of £54,000 (2017: £49,368), including £8,270 (2017: £6,464) specifically relating to the Company, was borne by, and included in the fees of the financial statements of Coast Fashions Limited, a Company included in these consolidated financial accounts.

## Non audit related assurance services

In the current and previous periods, the remuneration payable in relation to non audit related assurance services for the Coast Group was £7,921 (2017: £7,614).

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5	Staff	numbers	and	cost

The average number of persons employed by the Group during the period	l was:		
		ary 2017 to 24 February 2018 Number	28 February 2016 to 25 February 2017 Number
Retail		1,034	1,115
	Male Female	25 1,009	125 990
The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:		£m	£m
Wages and salaries Social security costs Pensions costs (note 19)		12.6 1.3 0.1	13.4 1.0 
		14.0	14.4

In the current and previous periods, total emoluments include amounts for staff providing shared administrative services to the Aurora Group as a whole. A recharge is made by the Oasis and Warehouse Group relating to all the services incurred by fellow Aurora Group companies.

Within administrative expenses and exceptional items in the profit and loss account, additional staff costs totalling £0.4m (2017: £0.2m) were recharged to the group in the current period as part of the total shared administrative services provided by Oasis and Warehouse Limited and Aurora Fashions Services Limited.

#### 6. Remuneration of directors

Net loss on forward currency contracts measured at fair value

7.

Retituties attorious	•	
	26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018 £m	28 February 2016 to 25 February 2017 £m
Directors' remuneration	0.8	0.6
The remuneration of the highest paid director was £0.4m (2017: £0.2m).		
The total number of shares held by directors under an equity defined share b	ased payment scheme is 750	).
Interest payable and similar charges	· .	
	26 February 2017 to 24	28 February 2016 to 25
	February 2018	February 2017
	£m	£m
Interest payable on amounts owed to Aurora Group undertakings	0.5	0.4
Bank charges	0.1	. 0.1
Unrealised foreign exchange loss	0.1	• -

1.5 2.2

0.5

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#### 8. Taxation

Total tax expense recognised in the profit and loss account, other comprehen	sive income and equity 26 February 2017 to 24 February 2018 £m	28 February 2016 to 25 February 2017 £m
Current tax	2111	2
UK corporation tax	_	_
Foreign Tax	0.1	
Poleigii Tax		
Total current tax	0.1	_
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Origination and various of timing differences	. 0.2	÷1.6
Origination and reversal of timing differences	0.2	-1.0
Deferred tax	0.2	-1.6
Total tax on profit	0.3	-1.6
Reconciliation of effective tax rate:		
	26 February 2017 to 24	28 February 2016 to 25
	February 2018	February 2017
•	£m	£m
(Loss)/profit after tax	-3.4	2.4
Total tax expense / (credit)	0.3	1.6
(Loss)/profit before tax	-3.1	0.8
(2006), p. o. i. o.	•	
Tax using the UK corporation tax rate of 19.08% (2017: 20.00%)	-0.6	0.2
Fixed asset differences	0.1	
Expenses not deductible for tax	0.8	0.4
Income not assessable for tax	-0.5	-0.4
Other Permenant Differences	0.1	•
Movement in deferred tax not recognised	0.5	-2.1
Unrelieved losses carried forward	<del>.</del>	0.1
Group relief claimed	-	-Ò.1
Deferred tax change in tax rate	-	0,3
Adjustments in respect of prior years	0.1	-
Total tax charge / (credit) for the period	0.3	-1.6

All movements in current tax in the period are recognised through the profit and loss account.

### Factors that may affect future total tax charges

The utilisation of brought forward tax losses may reduce the current and total charges in future years. For the Coast Group this amounts to £20.0m at the balance sheet date (2017: £19.0m).

A reduction in the UK corporation tax rate from 21% to 20% (effective from 1 April 2015) was substantively enacted on 2 July 2013. Further reductions to 19% (effective from 1 April 2017) and to 18% (effective 1 April 2020) were substantively enacted on 26 October 2015, and an additional reduction to 17% (effective 1 April 2020) was substantively enacted on 6 September 2016. This will reduce the company's future current tax charge accordingly. The deferred tax asset at 24 February 2018 has been calculated based on these rates.

There are unrecognised deferred tax assets at the balance sheet date, as disclosed in note 18,

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9.	Intangible fixed assets		Group Dodwill £m
•	Cost		£III
	At 25 February 2017		5.8
	Goodwill on investment in joint venture		
	At 25 February 2017 and 24 February 2018		5.8
	Amortisation	•	
	At 25 February 2017		4.5
	Charge for the period	·	0.1
	At 24 February 2018	<u>:</u>	4.6
	Net Book Value	· ·	
	At 24 February 2018		1.2
	At 25 February 2017	· .	1.3

Amortisation

The amortisation is recognised in administrative expenses in the profit and loss account.

#### 10. Tangible fixed assets

Em   Em   Em   Em     At 25 February 2017   1.1   16.5   4.8     Adjustment arising from changes in foreign currency exchange rates   0.1   0.1   0.1     Additions   -   0.4   1.1     Disposals   -   -2.3   -0.1     At 24 February 2018   1.2   14.7   5.8     Depreciation   At 25 February 2017   0.7   13.7   3.6     Adjustment arising from changes in foreign currency exchange rates   0.1   0.8   0.5     Impairment   0.1   0.1   0.1     Disposals   -   -2.2   -0.1     Dispo		Group				
Improvements		Short leasehold Fixtures Computer		nputer		
Cost         £m         £m         £m           At 25 February 2017         1.1         16.5         4.8           Adjustment arising from changes in foreign currency exchange rates         0.1         0.1         -           Additions         -         0.4         1.1         -           Disposals         -         -2.3         -0.1         -           At 24 February 2018         1.2         14.7         5.8         -           Depreciation         -         1.2         14.7         5.8         -           Depreciation         0.7         13.7         3.6         -		and	and har	dware and		
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Adjustment arising from changes in foreign currency exchange rates Additions	Cost				•	
Additions	At 25 February 2017	1.1	16.5	4.8	22.4	
Additions		0.1	0.1	· -	0.2	
Disposals       -       -2.3       -0.1         At 24 February 2018       1.2       14.7       5.8         Depreciation       -       -       13.7       3.6         At 25 February 2017       0.7       13.7       3.6         Adjustment arising from changes in foreign currency exchange rates       -       0.1       -         Charge for the period Impairment       0.1       0.8       0.5         Impairment Disposals       -       -2.2       -0.1         At 24 February 2018       0.9       12.5       4.0         Net book value			0.4	1.1	1.5	
At 24 February 2018  Depreciation At 25 February 2017 Adjustment arising from changes in foreign currency exchange rates Charge for the period Impairment Disposals  At 24 February 2018  1.2 14.7 5.8  - 0.7 13.7 3.6 - 0.1 - 0.1 - 0.1 - 0.1 - 0.1 - 0.1 0.8 0.5 Impairment 0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1 - 0.2 - 0.1  At 24 February 2018  0.9 12.5 4.0  Net book value		-			-2.4	
Depreciation	· · · •					
At 25 February 2017 Adjustment arising from changes in foreign currency exchange rates Charge for the period Impairment Disposals  At 24 February 2018  O.7  O.7  O.7  O.1  O.8  O.5  O.1  O.1  O.1  O.1  O.2  O.1  O.3  O.4  O.5  O.7  O.7  O.7  O.8  O.9  O.9  O.9  O.9  O.9  O.9  O.9	At 24 February 2018	1.2	14.7	5.8	21.7	
Adjustment arising from changes in foreign currency exchange rates  Charge for the period 0.1 0.8 0.5  Impairment 0.1 0.1 -  Disposals2.2 -0.1  At 24 February 2018 0.9 12.5 4.0  Net book value	Depreciation	•				
Exchange rates	At 25 February 2017	0.7	13.7	3.6	18.0	
Charge for the period Impairment       0.1       0.8       0.5         Impairment Disposals       -       -2.2       -0.1         At 24 February 2018       0.9       12.5       4.0         Net book value		-	0.1	-	0.1	
Impairment Disposals         0.1 0.12.2 -0.1           At 24 February 2018         0.9 12.5 4.0		0.1	0.8	0.5	1.4	
Disposals         -         -2.2         -0.1           At 24 February 2018         0.9         12.5         4.0           Net book value		0.1		-	0.2	
Net book value		<u> </u>	.,	-0.1	-2.3	
	At 24 February 2018	0.9	12.5	4.0	17.4	
At 24 February 2018 0.3 2.2 1.8	Net book value	,				
	At 24 February 2018	0.3	2.2	1.8	4.3	
At 25 February 2017 0.4 2.8 1.2	At 25 February 2017	0.4	2.8	1.2	4.4	

Impairment charges totalling £223,658 have been made in 6 stores. On the basis that the stores impaired are not expected to generate any significant future net positive cashflows, management consider the recoverable amount of these stores to be zero. Impairment charges are recognised in administration expenses through the profit and loss account.

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#### 11. Fixed asset investments

Company Subsidiary undertakings £m

Cost and net book value Balance at 25 February 2017 and 24 February 2018

37.0

The Company's undertakings at the end of the period are as follows:

Subsidiary undertakings	Country of incorporation	Principal activity	Class and percentage of shares held
Directly owned: Coast Holdco 2 Limited	UK	Holding	Ordinary - 100%
Indirectly owned: Coast Debtco Limited	UK	Holding	Ordinary - 100%
Coast Holdings Limited	UK	Holding	Ordinary - 100%
Coast Fashions Spain SL Coast Stores Ireland Limited	Spain Ireland	Retail Retail	Ordinary - 100% Ordinary - 100%
Coast Retail Limited Coast Fashions Limited	. UK UK	Property Retail	Ordinary - 100% Ordinary - 100%
Coast Fashions Australia Pty Limited Aurora Fashions Asia Limited	Australia Hong Kong	Retail Service	Ordinary - 100% Ordinary - 50%
Aurora Fashions Services Limited	ÚK	Service	Ordinary - 25%

The registered address of the UK companies is The Triangle, Stanton Harcourt Industrial Estate, Stanton Harcourt, Witney, Oxfordshire, OX29 5UT.

The registered address of Coast Stores Ireland Limited is 5th Floor, Beaux Lane House, Mercer Street Lower, Dublin 2.

The registered address of Coast Fashions Spain SL is calle Jorge Juan no9, 28001 Madrid.

The registered address of Coast Fashions Australia Pty Limited is Richmond, VIC 3121, Australia.

The registered address of Aurora Fashions Asia Limited is 18th Floor, Prosperity Centre, 25 Chong Yip Street, Kwun Tung, Kowloon, Hong Kong.

On 27th April 2018 the share holding in Aurora Fashions Asia Limited was transferred to Oasis Fashions Ltd.

### 12. Stocks

	2	24 February 2018		25 February 2017	
	,. G	Broup £m	Company £m	Group £m	Company £m
Raw materials and consumables		0.1	-	Ö,1	-
Finished goods and goods for resale	•	8.7		8.6	
		8.8		8.7	_

In the opinion of the directors, there is no material difference between the replacement cost of stock and the amounts stated above.

Finshed goods and goods for resale recognised as cost of sales in the year amounted to £34.3 million (2017: £34.8 million).

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			•	•		
13.	Debtors			•		
	· •	24 Feb	ruary 2018	25 Fe	ebruary 2017	
		Group	Company	Group	Company	
		£m	£m	£m	£m	
	Träde debtors	5.5	-	6.0	-	
	Other debtors	0.5	• -	0.8	-	
	Prepayments and accrued income	1.3		2.2	_	
	Deferred tax asset (note 18)	1.4		1.6	<u> </u>	
		8.7		10.6	-	
	Due within one year	7.3		9.0	_	
•	Due after more than one year	1.4	<del>-</del>	1.6		
	•			•		
14.	Cash and cash equivalents					
- ,		24 Febr	uary 2018	25 Fe	bruary 2017	
		Gŕoúp	Company	Group	Company	
		£m	£m		£mi	
		- :-	•	40.7		
	Cash at bank and in hand	7.4	-	10.7	÷	
,	Overdrafts (note 17)	-3.5	<del></del>	-3.5	<del></del>	
	Cash and cash equivalents per cash flow statement	3.9	<u> </u>	7.2		
	·					
15.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	24 February 2018		ar Fo	25 February 2017	
			•		•	
		Group £m	Company £m	Group	Company £m	
	Loans and overdrafts with Aurora Group undertakings (see note 18)	3.5	-	3.5	-	
	Trade creditors	2.1	-	4.2	-	
	Other taxes and social security costs	. =	-	0:1	-	
	Other creditors .	0.6	<del>-</del>	1.2		
	Accruals and deferred income	7.2	•	7.4	-	
	Provisions	0.7	<del></del> -		-	
		14.1	_	16.4		
		•				
16.	Creditors: amounts falling due after one year					
		24 Febru	uåry 2018	25 Fe	bruary 2017	
		Group	Company	Group	Company	
		£m	£m	•	£m	
	•					
	Loans and overdrafts with Aurora Group undertakings (see note 17)	6.0	-	5.6	-	
	Accruals and deferred income	<u>0.2</u>	<u> </u>	0.3		
		6.2	-	5.9	-	

Accruals and deferred income relates to incentives received on leases held by the Coast Group.

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#### 17. Interest-bearing loans and borrowings

The loans and overdraft referred to in notes 15 and 16 are with Aurora Fashions Finance Limited, a fellow Aurora Group subsidiary.

This note provides information about the contractual terms of the Group's interest-bearing loans and borrowings, which are measured at amortised cost.

			24 February 2018		y 2018 25 February 20	
			Group £m	Company £m	Group £m	Company £m
	Creditors falling due within one year Overdraft	=	3.5		3.5	
			24 Febr	uary 2018	25 Fe	bruary 2017
			Group	Company	Group	Company
			£m	£m	£m	£m
	Creditors falling due after more than one year Secured loans	<u>-</u>	6.0	<u> </u>	5.6	
						•
	Terms and debt repayment schedule:	Interest		uary 2018		bruary 2017
	,	rate	Group £m	Company £m	Group £m	Company £m
	Overdraft, repayable on demand Facility A, repayable 50% on 2 October 2019	5.00%	. 3.5	-	3.5	-
	and 50% on 2 October 2020	5.00%	1.1	-	1.1	
	Facility B, repayable on 2 October 2020	5.00%	4.5	÷	4.3	•
	Term-out Loan, repayable on 2 October 2020	5.00% _	0.4	<u> </u>	0.2	
		=	9.5		9.1	-
18.	Deferred taxation					
				uary 2018		uary 2017
			£m Groụp	Company £m	Group £m	Company £m
	The deferred tax asset comprises:					
	Accelerated capital allowances:		0.4	-	0.3	-
	Tax losses	-	1.0		1.3	
	Deferred tax asset	=	1.4		1.6	
			24 Fe	bruary 2018 Group £m	25 Fe	bruary 2017 Group £m
	Movement on deferred tax asset:					
	At the start of the period	:		1.6 -0.2		- 1.6
	Profit and loss account		•	-0.2		1.0
	At the end of the period			1.4	•	1.6

All movements in deferred tax in the period are recognised through the profit and loss account.

There is an unrecognised deferred tax asset of £4.2 million (2017: £3.8 million) in respect of accelerated capital allowances, short term timing differences and tax losses which has not been recognised for the Group due to uncertainty over its recoverability. This will be reassessed at each period end.

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#### 19. Employee benefits

The company provides a range of benefits to employees including paid holiday arrangements, product discount facilities, and private health insurance, amongst others.

During the period there were no advances to Directors.

Between November 2015 and August 2016, certain key employees of the Coast group were issued with 'B' shares in Coast Holdco 1 Limited. The fair value of the shares was determined as nil at grant date therefore no share based payment has been recognised in accordance with FRS 102.

#### Post-retirement benefits

In October 2013, in accordance with government legislation, all eligible employees were auto-enrolled into a state qualified pension scheme. In addition, contributions are made to specific employees' personal pension plans.

The total expense relating to these plans in the current year was £0.1m (2017: £0.0m).

#### 20. Share capital

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	•	Number
On issue at 25 February 2017 Cancelled	•	9,700 -50
On issue at 24 February 2018		9,650

Group

In the period 50 Ordinary B2 shares with a nominal value of £0.001 were repurchased by the company for a consideration of £47.50 and subsequently cancelled.

	*	24 February 2018		25 February 20	
	Voting	Group	Company	Group	Company
	rights	£m	£m	£m	£m
Allotted, called up and fully paid:	,				
8,000 Ordinary A shares of £0.01	1 vote	-	-		•
650 Ordinary B1 shares of £0.01	1 vote	-	_	-	-
850 (Prior Year 900) Ordinary B2 shares of £0,001	no votes	-	-	-	-
100 Ordinary B3 shares of £0.055	5.25 votes	-	-	-	-
50 Ordinary B4 shares of £0.125	11 votes	-		<u>~</u>	· -
		<u> </u>		-	
Shares classified in shareholder's funds		-		•	-

Holders of share classes identified in the above table are entitled to an equal share of dividends.

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21.	Reserves	24 Fehr	uárý 2018	25 February 2017		
	Share premium account	Group	Company	Group	Company	
		£m	£m	£m	£m	
	At the start and end of the period	37.0	37.0	37.0	37.0	
	•	24 Febr	uäry 2018	25 Feb	ruary 2017	
	Other reserves	Group	Company	Group	Company	
		£m	£m	£m	£m	
	At the start and end of the period	8.7		8.7		
		24 Febr	uary 2018	25 Feb	ruary 2017	
	Profit and loss account	Group	Company	Group	Company	
	•	£m	£m	£m	£m	
	At the start of the period	-32.3	_	-34.8	-	
	Differences in the net investment in foreign enterprises arising from	0.1	_	Ó.1	-	
	changes in foreign currency exchange rates (Loss)/profit after taxation for the financial period	-3.4	_	2.4	_	
	(Loss/pront and taxagor for the intanglal period					
	At the end of the period	-35.6		-32.3		
22.	Financial instruments					
	The carrying amount of financial assets and liabilities include:	•				
		24 Fe	bruary 2018	25 Feb	ruary 2017	
			£m		£m	
	(Liabilities)/assets measured at fair value through profit and loss		-0.9	=	0.6	
	The financial assets or liabilities held by the Coast Group at the balance sh foreign exchange contracts held by the Group for use in the following financia	eet date are re al period.	presentative of	the fair value	of forward	
	The fair value of forward foreign exchange contracts is based on their listed in	narket price.		•		
	The same state of the same sta	,				
23.	Operating leases					
	Non-cancellable operating lease rentals are payable as follows:	•				
		24 5-1	haven 2019	, as Eab	ruary 2017	
		Z4 Fel	bruary 2018 £m.	25 Feb	£m	
	Within one year		4.6		5.0	
	Between two and five years		10.9		11.7	
	Over five years	•	4.9		6.8	
		_	20.4	_	23.5	
		-		_		

During the year £5.5 million was recognised as an expense in the profit and loss account in respect of operating leases (2017: £5.6 million).

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#### 24. Guarantees and commitments

Certain companies within the Aurora Fashions Group, the 'banking subgroups' are party to the terms of a Senior Facilities Agreement (the "SFA") with Aurora Fashions Finance Limited ("AFFL"). The borrowers are Oasis and Warehouse Limited, Coast Debtoo Limited and Karen Millen Holdings Limited. Each banking subgroup under the obligations of their SFA has a number of trading subsidiaries party to the SFA as Guarantors, the values of which are disclosed within the respective company accounts. Under the terms of the guarantee, an event of default in the Company or certain other companies in the sub group would mean that the lender, AFFL, has the ability to call on any of the other companies within the respective banking subgroup to step in to fulfil the obligations of that borrower/guarantor. An event of default could include an entity becoming insolvent. It should be noted that the call under the guarantee is on demand, and as such the demand is at the discretion of AFFL in its capacity as sole Lender.

There is security between the banking sub groups, Oasis and Warehouse, Coast and Karen Millen and certain of their trading subsidiaries in favour of AFFL, in the form of fixed and floating charges over the undertakings and all property and assets. The net book value of assets are contained within the individual entities statutory accounts.

#### 25. Related parties

The Group has a related party relationship with its directors, with the undertakings which form the Aurora Group and with its ultimate parent company, Kaupthing ehf.

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard FRS 102 33.1A Related Parties Transactions not to disclose transactions with fellow wholly owned subsidiary undertakings of the group headed by Aurora Fashions Group Limited.

Transactions with key management personnel

Total compensation of key management personnel in the year amounted to £1.1m (2017; £0.7m).

#### 26. Immediate and ultimate parent company and parent undertaking of larger group

The immediate parent company is Aurora Fashions Finance Limited, a company incorporated in England and Wales.

The registered address of Aurora Fashions Finance Limited is The Triangle, Stanton Harcourt Industrial Estate, Stanton Harcourt, Witney, Oxfordshire, OX29 5UT.

The ultimate parent company and ultimate controlling party is Kaupthing ehf., a company incorporated in Iceland.

The registered address of Kaupthing ehf. is Borgartun 26, IS-105 Reykjavík, Iceland.

The largest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by Aurora Fashions Group Limited, incorporated in England and Wales, and the smallest is these financial statements. The consolidated financial statements of Aurora Fashions Group Limited are available from Aurora Fashions Group Limited, The Triangle, Stanton Harcourt Industrial Estate, Stanton Harcourt, Witney, Oxfordshire, OX29 5UT, UK.

# 27. Post balance sheet events

There are no significant post balance sheet events which affect the financial statements.