# South East Wales City Region ATA Limited

# ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE 18 MONTHS ENDED 31 JULY 2017



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### STATUTORY AND OTHER INFORMATION

Directors Mr M. James

Mr M. C. Roberts

Company Secretary

Mr M. C. Roberts

Independent Auditors

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#### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors have pleasure in presenting the annual report together with the audited financial statements of the company for the 18-month period ended 31 July 2017.

#### Incorporation and commencement of trading

The company was incorporated on 2 February 2016 and commenced trading in February 2017.

### **Principal activities**

South East Wales City Region ATA Limited ("ATA") was set up as a subsidiary of Cardiff and Vale College Further Education Corporation to offer employers a low risk, easy to use apprenticeship model. ATA offers a simple, comprehensive solution to hiring an apprentice, acting as a broker between those people who want to secure themselves a formal apprenticeship programme and employers that want to offer an apprenticeship opportunity but are unable to do so directly at the present time.

### **Review of business**

The company has performed satisfactorily in its first period of trade, generating a profit before tax of £2,790. Since commencement of trading, 18 apprentices have been recruited and hired to employers via ATA, and some employers are seeking to use ATA as a strategic apprenticeship partner, taking on multiple apprentices across their business. ATA's business has been spread across SMEs and large employers.

The strategic direction and operation of ATA is continually reviewed to ensure it aligns to the regional skills requirements of priority sectors under the City Deal.

### Key performance indicators

Given the straightforward nature of the business, the company's directors are of the opinion that analysis using key performance indicators is not necessary for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business.

### Results and dividends

Prior to the end of the period, the members approved the payment of the profit on ordinary activities for the period as Gift Aid to Cardiff and Vale College Further Education Corporation. There is therefore no retained profit for the period. The Gift Aid amount of £2,790 will be paid to Cardiff and Vale College Further Education Corporation after the approval of the financial statements.

### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

#### **Directors**

The directors of the company who served during the period are named on page 1.

Mr M. James and Mr M. C. Roberts each held, on behalf of Cardiff and Vale College Further Education Corporation, a non-beneficial interest in one ordinary share of the company.

#### **Employment**

The company employs staff on apprenticeship contracts with salaries at, or in or excess of, the applicable National Minimum Wage or National Living Wage level.

### Statement of directors' responsibilities

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
   and
- 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, disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and the group, 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 the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

### **REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)**

### Disclosure of relevant audit information to the auditor

So far as each director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware. Each director has taken all the steps (such as making enquiries of other directors and the auditors and any other steps required by the director's duty to exercise due care, skill and diligence) that he ought to have taken in his duty as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

### **Independent Auditors**

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

By order of the Board

Mr M. James Director

30 October 2017

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SOUTH EAST WALES CITY REGION ATA LIMITED

### Report on the financial statements

### Our opinion

In our opinion, South East Wales City Region ATA Limited's financial statements (the "financial statements"):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 July 2017 and of its profit for the 18-month period (the "period") then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### What we have audited

The financial statements, included within the Financial Statements (the "Annual Report"), comprise:

- the Balance Sheet as at 31 July 2017;
- the Profit and Loss Account and Other Comprehensive Income for the period then ended;
- the Statement of Changes in Equity for the period then ended; and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in the preparation of the financial statements is United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" Section 1A, and applicable law (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), applicable to Smaller Entities. In applying the financial reporting framework, the directors have made a number of subjective judgements, for example in respect of significant accounting estimates. In making such estimates, they have made assumptions and considered future events.

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

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

- the information given in the Report of the Directors for the financial period for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Directors has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

In addition, in light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we are required to report if we have identified any material misstatements in the Report of the Directors. We have nothing to report in this respect.

### Other matters on which we are required to report by exception

### Adequacy of accounting records and information and explanations received

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- · we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- 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.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

#### Directors' remuneration

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion, certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SOUTH EAST WALES CITY REGION ATA LIMITED (continued)

### **Entitlement to exemptions**

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion, the directors were not entitled to: prepare financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime; and take advantage of the small companies exemption from preparing a strategic report. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

### Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

### Our responsibilities and those of the directors

As explained more fully in the Statement of directors' responsibilities set out on page 3, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) ("ISAs (UK & Ireland)"). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

#### What an audit of financial statements involves

We conducted our audit in accordance with ISAs (UK & Ireland). An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of:

- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed;
- the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and
- the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We primarily focus our work in these areas by assessing the directors' judgements against available evidence, forming our own judgements, and evaluating the disclosures in the financial statements. We test and examine information, using sampling and other auditing techniques, to the extent we consider necessary to provide a reasonable basis for us to draw conclusions. We obtain audit evidence through testing the effectiveness of controls, substantive procedures or a combination of both.

In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report. With respect to the Report of the Directors, we consider whether this report includes the disclosures required by applicable legal requirements.

Kevin Williams (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

Cardiff

31 October 2017

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE 18 MONTHS ENDED 31 JULY 2017

	Note	2017 £
TURNOVER	2	23,655
Cost of sales		(17,165)
GROSS PROFIT		6,490
Administrative expenses		(3,700)
OPERATING PROFIT, BEING PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	3	2,790
Tax on profit	4	(551)
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD, BEING TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD		2,239

The notes on pages 10 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

The profit and loss account presents all items of income and expenditure recognised in the 18 months ended 31 July 2017. There are no items of other comprehensive income in the period.

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE 18 MONTHS ENDED 31 JULY

	Called up share capital	Profit and loss account	Total shareholders' funds
	£	£	£
Transactions with owners, recorded directly in equity: Issue of shares	2	-	2
Profit for the financial period, being total comprehensive income for the period	-	2,239	2,239
Gift aid payment (note 5)	-	(2,790)	(2,790)
Current tax credit on gift aid payment (note 4)	-	551	551
		*******	
Balance at 31 July 2017	2	•	2
	=====	=====	=====

The notes on pages 10 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

### **BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 JULY 2017**

	Note	2017 £
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors	7	2
		2
NET CURRENT ASSETS, BEING NET ASSETS	•	2
CAPITAL AND RESERVES		
Called up share capital	8	2
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		2
		=====

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 30 October 2017 and were signed on its behalf by:

Mr M. C. Roberts

Director

The notes on pages 10 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The principal accounting policies adopted are described below.

### **Accounting convention**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS102") and the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the company, and have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

### Going concern

The company's forecasts and financial projections indicate it will be able to operate for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

#### Turnover

Turnover is the amount derived from the provision of services during the year and excludes value added tax. Income is recognised to the extent of the completion of the contract or service concerned.

### Cash flow statement

Under FRS 102 paragraph 1A.17 the company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds that the parent undertaking includes the company in its own published consolidated financial statements

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

### ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### **Related Parties**

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As the company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Cardiff and Vale College Further Education Corporation, the company has taken advantage of the exemption contained in FRS 102 paragraph 1A.17 and has therefore not disclosed transactions or balances with the parent company.

#### **Financial instruments**

Trade and other debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised initially at transaction price less attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition they are measured at amortised cost, less any impairment losses in the case of trade debtors.

Trade and other creditors

Trade and other creditors are recognised initially at transaction price plus attributable transaction costs. 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 a similar debt instrument.

#### **Taxation**

Tax on the profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised directly in the profit and loss account.

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 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 are greater or smaller than the corresponding income or expense.

Deferred tax is measured at the tax rate that is expected to apply to the reversal of the related differences, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date. Deferred tax balances are not discounted.

Deferred tax assets are recognised as recoverable to the extent that, on the basis of all available evidence, it can be regarded as more likely than not there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of underlying timing differences can be deducted.

### Critical accounting estimates and judgements

No critical accounting estimates or judgements were required in the preparation of these financial statements.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

### 2 TURNOVER

Turnover consists entirely of sales made in the United Kingdom.

### 3 OPERATING PROFIT

Included in operating profit is the following:

	2017 £
Auditors' remuneration	2,000 =====
TAX ON PROFIT	2017 £
Current tax	551 =====
Reconciliation of effective tax rate	
Profit before taxation .	2,790 =====
Tax charge using the UK Corporation tax rate of 19.785	% 551
Total tax charge included in profit and loss	551 =====

Reductions in the UK corporation tax rate from 20% to 19% (effective from 1 April 2017) and to 18% (effective 1 April 2020) were substantively enacted on 26 October 2015. An additional reduction to 17% (effective 1 April 2020) was substantively enacted on 6 September 2016.

### 5 GIFT AID PAYMENT TO CARDIFF AND VALE COLLEGE FURTHER EDUCATION CORPORATION

	2017 £
Gift Aid payment to Cardiff and Vale College Further	
Education Corporation	2,790
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The company will make a Gift Aid payment to Cardiff and Vale College Further Education Corporation equivalent to its taxable profits as approved by written resolution of the shareholders.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (confinued)

### 6 STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of persons employed by the company during the period expressed as full time equivalent was:

•	Number
Operational staff	Nomber
	1
	. =====
Staff costs for the above employees was:	
	2017
	£
Operational staff	17,165
	17,165
	=====
	. 2017
	£
Wages and salaries	17,054
Social security costs	43
Other pension costs	68
	17,165
	=====

Neither director received any remuneration in respect of his services as a director of the company.

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### 7 DEBTORS

		£
	Other debtors	2
		2
		=====
8	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL	
		2017
	•	£
	Authorised	
	2 ordinary shares of £1 each	. 2
	·	===
		V.,
	Allotted, called up and unpaid	•
	2 ordinary shares of £1 each	. 2

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

### 9 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Exemption has been taken from the disclosure of transactions with Cardiff and Vale College Further Education Corporation and its subsidiaries in accordance with the provision of FRS 102 paragraph 1A.17.

### 10 ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING

During the period the whole of the beneficial interest in the share capital of the company was held by Cardiff and Vale College Further Education Corporation, a body incorporated under the Further and Higher Education Act 1992 and the company's ultimate parent.

Copies of the financial statements of Cardiff and Vale College Further Education Corporation can be obtained from:

The Clerk to the Governors Cardiff and Vale College City Centre Campus Dumballs Road Cardiff CF10 5BF