

Accounts 30th March 2023

Company Number 5195765

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#### 5195765 Company Number

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#### Strategic Report

The directors present their strategic report and financial statements for the year ended 30th March 2023.

#### Review of the Business

#### Results and performance

The results of the Group for the year and its financial position at the year end, as set out on pages 10 and 11, show a profit before taxation of £13.1m (2022: £24.0m) and the shareholders' funds total £295m (2022: £285m).

The performance of the Group during the year has produced encouraging results and the portfolio of investment properties continue to generate satisfactory yields.

#### Business environment

The UK commercial property market continues to be highly competitive, and it is essential that we continue to look forward and benefit from changing market conditions.

#### Strategy

The Group's success is dependent on the selection, development and operation of its property portfolio and other investments, and managing the inherent risks involved. We will continue to concentrate our efforts on achieving appropriate yields and growth in our existing markets, whilst seeking new developments where we can create value from property.

#### **Key Performance Indicators**

	2023 £	2022 £
Turnover	17,874,291	16,013,629
Profit for the year before tax	13,091,697	23,963,862
Fair value gain on Investment Properties	4,059,365	10,397,538
Net increase in value of Shareholders' Funds	10,222,048	9,028,355

The business continues unchanged.

The valuation of the Group's investment property portfolio was carried out as at 30th March 2023 by W. J. Gredley and A. G. Morris M.R.I.C.S., directors.

#### **Future Developments**

The directors continue to adopt strategies which leave the Group well placed to benefit from the changing market conditions.

#### Strategic Report

#### Risks and Uncertainties

The property industry is inherently risky and uncertain. However it is these very risks which have allowed the Group to prosper, particularly in periods where such uncertainty is at its greatest.

The Group has developed an internal framework for identifying risks that each investment, and the Group as a whole, is exposed to and their impact on economic capital. This process is risk based and utilises Board member knowledge and experience to manage our capital requirements and to ensure that the Group has the financial strength and capital adequacy to support the growth of the business.

The Group is exposed to financial risks arising primarily from the investments that it holds.

By order of the Board A. J. Page Director

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#### **Directors' Report**

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 30th March 2023.

**Principal Activities** 

The principal activity of the Group during the year was that of investment holding in property and development of property.

The Group's other activities include racehorse breeding, showjumping and trading in property and works of art.

The principal activity of the Company was that of a holding company.

**Dividends** 

The directors do not recommend a payment of a dividend for the year (2022: £nil).

Directors

The directors holding office since 31st March 2022 were W. J. Gredley, P. G. Gredley, T. C. O. Gredley, J. V. Gredley, S. M. Porter, A. G. Morris M.R.I.C.S., A. J. Page and A. R. Brewster.

Third Party Indemnity Provision for

Directors

Qualifying third party indemnity provision is in place for the benefit of all directors of the Company.

Strategic Report

Future developments information is not shown within this Directors' Report as it is instead included within the Strategic Report on pages 2 and 3 under S414C(11) of the Companies Act 2006.

Auditor

The auditor, RSM UK Audit LLP, Chartered Accountants, has indicated its willingness to continue in office.

Statement as to Disclosure of Information to Auditor The directors who were in office on the date of approval of these financial statements have confirmed, as far as they are aware, that there is no relevant audit information of which the auditor is unaware. Each of the directors has confirmed that they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that it has been communicated to the auditor.

By order of the Board A. J. Page Director

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# Directors' Responsibilities in the Preparation of Financial Statements

## Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report, Strategic 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 Group and Company and of the profit or loss of the Group for that period.

In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- a. select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- b. make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c. prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group and Company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Group's and the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Group and 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 Group and Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Members of Unex Group Holdings Limited

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Unex Group Holdings Limited (the 'parent company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 30th March 2023 which comprise the Group Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Group and Company Statements of Financial Position, the Group and Company Statements of Changes in Equity, the Group Statement of Cash Flows and notes to the financial statements, including 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 group's and parent company's affairs as at 30th March 2023 and of the group's profit for the year then ended:
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### 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 group and parent 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.

#### Emphasis of matter – Valuation of Investment Properties and Bloodstock

We draw attention to notes 9 and 11 to the financial statements that explains that the fair value of the group's investment properties and bloodstock are based on directors' valuations as at 30 March 2023 at £274.8m (2022: £296.8m) and £12.0m (2022: £8.2m) and as disclosed on pages 18 and 19 of the financial statements are areas of key accounting estimation and assumptions. These valuations are subject to a high level of estimation uncertainty, the quantum of which cannot be determined. No adjustments have been made to the financial statements as a result of this uncertainty. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

## Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the group's or parent company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Members of Unex Group Holdings Limited

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. 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.

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 course of 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 this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. 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.

# Opinion on Other Matters Prescribed by the Companies Act

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

- the information given in the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report have 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 group and the parent company and their environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Strategic Report or 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 by the parent company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- 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

#### Responsibilities of Directors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 5, 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.

#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Members of Unex Group Holdings Limited

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the group's and the 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 the directors 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 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.

The extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. The objectives of our audit are to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding compliance with laws and regulations that have a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, to perform audit procedures to help identify instances of non-compliance with other laws and regulations that may have a material effect on the financial statements, and to respond appropriately to identified or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations identified during the audit.

In relation to fraud, the objectives of our audit are to identify and assess the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud, to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud through designing and implementing appropriate responses and to respond appropriately to fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit.

However, it is the primary responsibility of management, with the oversight of those charged with governance, to ensure that the entity's operations are conducted in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations and for the prevention and detection of fraud.

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud, the group audit engagement team:

- obtained an understanding of the nature of the industry and sector, including
  the legal and regulatory framework that the group and parent company
  operates in and how the group and parent company are complying with the
  legal and regulatory framework;
- inquired of management, and those charged with governance, about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities, including any known actual, suspected or alleged instances of fraud;
- discussed matters about non-compliance with laws and regulations and how fraud might occur including assessment of how and where the financial statements may be susceptible to fraud.

#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Members of Unex Group Holdings Limited

As a result of these procedures, we consider the most significant laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements are FRS 102, the Companies Act 2006 and tax compliance regulations. We performed audit procedures to detect non-compliances which may have a material impact on the financial statements which included reviewing financial statement disclosures, completion of a financial statements disclosure checklist and evaluation of tax computations prepared by external tax advisors.

The group audit engagement team identified the risk of management override of controls and the valuation of investment properties and bloodstock as the areas where the financial statements were most susceptible to material misstatement due to fraud. Audit procedures performed included but were not limited to testing a sample of journal entries and other adjustments and evaluating the business rationale in relation to significant, unusual transactions and transactions entered into outside the normal course of business, and challenging judgements and estimates applied in the valuation of investment properties and bloodstock.

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

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the parent 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 parent 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 parent company and the parent company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Richard Coates

RICHARD COATES (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of RSM UK Audit LLP, Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants
25 Farringdon Street
London EC4A 4AB

19 December 2023

## **Group Statement of Comprehensive Income**

for the year ended 30th March 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Turnover	2	17,874,291	16,013,629
Direct costs Fair value gain on bloodstock Loss on disposal of bloodstock	11	(7,867,059) 2,354,171 (1,030,028)	(6,345,174) 527,766 (477,447)
Gross profit		11,331,375	9,718,774
Administrative expenses		(3,365,677)	(2,936,594)
Operating profit		7,965,698	6,782,180
Investment income Interest payable	3 4	429,127 (6,040)	24,877 (7,147)
Fair value gain on investments	12	48,452	-
Profit on disposal of investment properties		595,095	6,766,414
Fair value gain on investment properties	9	4,059,365	10,397,538
Profit before taxation	5	13,091,697	23,963,862
Tax	8	(2,869,649)	(12,885,507)
Profit after taxation and profit for the fin	ancial year	£10,222,048	£11,078,355

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#### UNEX GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

## **Group Statement of Financial Position**

as at 30th March 2023

	Note	2023	2022
		£	£
Fixed assets			
Investment properties	9	274,782,290	296,751,633
Other tangible assets	10	13,040,089	13,187,830
Bloodstock	11	11,977,827	8,229,377
		299,800,206	318,168,840
Current assets		40 505 445	10.005
Investments	12	12,527,317	10,035
Stocks	13	3,991,706	3,902,064
Debtors	14	16,623,416	4,376,141
Cash at bank and in hand		18,980,370	17,723,055
en 19		52,122,809	26,011,295
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(20,395,613)	(17,902,781)
Net current assets		31,727,196	8,108,514
Total assets less current liabilities		331,527,402	326,277,354
Provisions for liabilities	16	(36,337,500)	(41,309,500)
Net assets		£295,189,902	£284,967,854
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	17	46,328,473	46,328,473
Revaluation reserve	18	141,124,650	156,216,557
Profit and loss account	18	107,734,729	82,420,774
Capital and reserves attributable t	to the owner of the parent	295,187,852	284,965,804
Non controlling interest		2,050	2,050
Total equity		£295,189,902	£284,967,854

The financial statements on pages 10 to 28 were approved by the Board and authorised for issue on 19 December 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

T. C. O. Gredles

Director

A. G. Morris
Director

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## **Company Statement of Financial Position**

as at 30th March 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets Investments	23	92,000,000	92,000,000
Current assets Debtors	14	98,799,290	92,959,424
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(162,450)	•
Net current assets		98,636,840	92,959,424
Net assets		£190,636,840	£184,959,424
Capital and reserves  Called up share capital	17	46,328,473	46,328,473
Profit and loss account	18	144,308,367	138,630,951
Total equity		£190,636,840	£184,959,424

The Company's profit for the year and total comprehensive income for the year were £5,677,416 (2022: £4,265,000). As permitted by Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006, a separate Statement of Comprehensive Income for the parent company has not been prepared.

The financial statements on pages 10 to 28 were approved by the Board and authorised for issue on 19 December 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

T. C. O. Gredley

Director

A. G. Morris Director

# Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 30th March 2023

	Share Capital £	Revaluation Rescrve £	Profit and Loss Account £	Total Attributable to Owners of the Parent Company	Minority Interests £	Total £
Group Balance at 31st March 2021	46,328,473	159,383,138	66,876,409	272,588,020	3,351,479	275,939,499
Profit for the year	<u>-</u>		11,078,355	11,078,355		11,078,355
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	11,078,355	11,078,355	-	11,078,355
Realised gain on disposal of investment property Unrealised gain on investment property (net of tax) Purchase of minority interest	-	(4,285,119) 1,118,538	4,285,119 (1,118,538) 1,299,429	- - 1,299,429	- (3,349,429)	(2,050,000)
Balance as at 30th March 2022	46,328,473	156,216,557	82,420,774	284,965,804	2,050	284,967,854
Profit for the year	-		10,222,048	10,222,048	-	10,222,048
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	10,222,048	10,222,048	-	10,222,048
Realised gain on disposal of investment property Unrealised gain on investment property (net of tax)	-	(18,047,750) 2,955,843	18,047,750 (2,955,843)	-	-	
Balance as at 30th March 2023	£46,328,473	£141,124,650	£107,734,729	£295,187,852	£2,050	£295,189,902
Company Balance at 31st March 2021 Profit for the year	46,328,473		134,365,951 4,265,000	180,694,424 4,265,000	<u> </u>	180,694,424 4,265,000
Balance as at 30th March 2022	46,328,473		138,630,951	184,959,424	<u>-</u>	184,959,424
Profit for the year	-	-	5,677,416	5,677,416	-	5,677,416
Balance as at 30th March 2023	£46,328,473	£-	£144,308,367	£190,636,840	£-	£190,636,840

# Group Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 30th March 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Operating Activities			
Cash generated from operations		8,005,885	5,184,861
Interest paid	4	(6,040)	(7,147)
Income taxes paid		(5,428,084)	(996,892)
Net cash from operating activities		2,571,761	4,180,822
Investing Activities			
Interest and dividends received	3	429,127	24,877
Purchase of investment properties	9	(12,950,559)	(14,129,929)
Purchase of other tangible fixed assets	10	(158,452)	(274,171)
Purchase of bloodstock	11	(2,831,566)	(1,636,572)
Purchase of investments	12	(12,468,830)	(10,035)
Purchase of minority interests		-	(2,050,000)
Disposal of investment properties		26,241,028	13,484,353
Disposal of other tangible fixed assets		17,417	47,500
Disposal of bloodstock		407,259	722,653
Net cash used in investing activities		(1,314,576)	(3,821,324)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		1,257,185	359,498
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of	year	17,723,055	17,360,824
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	<b>.</b>	130	2,733
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		£18,980,370	£17,723,055
Relating to:		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Bank balances and short-term deposits	included in cash at bank and in hand	£18,980,370	£17,723,055
Reconciliation of operating profit to cash	generated from operations		
Operating profit	Pontanta it out oberations	7,965,698	6,782,180
Profit on foreign exchange		(130)	(2,733)
Depreciation		299,283	273,154
Increase in stocks		(89,642)	(650,103)
Fair value profit on bloodstock		(2,354,171)	(527,766)
Decrease in debtors		1,090,059	419,989
Increase/(decrease) in creditors		75,267	(1,549,792)
Profit on disposal of other tangible fixed	l assets	(10,507)	(37,515)
Loss on disposal of bloodstock		1,030,028	477,447
Cash generated from operations		£8,005,885	£5,184,861

#### Notes to the Accounts

as at 30th March 2023

#### Accounting Policies

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#### General Information

Unex Group Holdings Limited ("the Company") is a private company limited by shares which is registered, domiciled and incorporated in England.

The address of the Company's registered office and principal place of business is Unex House, Church Lane, Stetchworth, Newmarket, Cambridgeshire, CB8 9TN.

The Company's and the Group's principal activities are property and other investment holding. Further details of the nature of operations of the Group are included within the Strategic Report and Directors' Report.

#### Basis of Accounting

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, including the provisions of the Large and Medium-sized Companies and Groups (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties, bloodstock and certain financial instruments at fair value. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest whole £1 except where otherwise stated. The financial statements are presented in Sterling which is also the functional currency of the Company and Group.

#### Going Concern

The directors have reviewed the group's cash flow forecasts for the period to 30th March 2025 and have concluded, after careful consideration, that the parent company and the group will be able to pay its debts as they fall due for the period to at least 30th March 2025 and, as a result, have prepared the parent company and group financial statements on the going concern basis.

#### Reduced Disclosures

The Company has taken advantage of the exemptions from disclosing the following information in its Company only accounts, as permitted by the reduced disclosures regime in FRS 102:

 Section 7 'Statement of Cash Flows' - Presentation of a Statement of Cash Flow and related notes and disclosures;

#### Basis of Consolidation

The Group financial statements include the financial statements of Unex Group Holdings Limited and all of its subsidiary undertakings, details of which are set out in Note 23. Subsidiaries acquired are consolidated using the acquisition method. Their results are incorporated from the date that control passes.

All financial statements are made up to 30th March 2023.

All intra-group transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between group companies are eliminated on consolidation. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred.

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## Accounting Policies (continued)

#### Turnover

Turnover represents the invoiced value, of rent and service charges, bloodstock prize winnings and other income net of Value Added Tax. Turnover arising within the Group has been excluded.

Rent and service charges are recognised on a straight line basis over the term of the lease. Rent free periods or other incentives given to the lessee are accounted for as a reduction to the rental income and recognised on a straight line basis over the lease term. Sales of goods are recognised when delivered and title has passed. Delivery occurs when the items have arrived at the specified location and the risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the customer. Other income is recognised when the right to receive payment has been established.

#### Investment Properties

Investment properties (including properties held under an operating lease) are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at fair value. Changes in fair value are recognised in profit or loss.

#### Revaluation of Land and Buildings

Properties whose fair value can be measured reliably are held under the revaluation model and are carried at a revalued amount, being their fair value at the date of valuation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses. The fair value of the land and buildings is usually considered to be their market value.

The following rates have been used:
Freehold Buildings - 75 years straight line basis
Land has not been depreciated.

The Group followed the transitional provisions of FRS 102 in respect of freehold property. Accordingly, the valuation at the transition date was deemed to be the 'cost' of the asset at the date of transition to FRS 102.

Revaluation gains and losses are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity, except to the extent that a revaluation gain reverses a revaluation loss previously recognised in profit or loss or a revaluation loss exceeds the accumulated revaluation gains recognised in equity, such gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss.

#### Other Tangible Fixed Assets

Other tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land and investment properties, at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of each asset to its estimated residual value on a reducing balance basis at 25% per annum.

#### Fixed Asset Investments

Shares in group undertakings and other investments are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. Interests in subsidiaries are assessed for impairment at each reporting date. Any impairment losses or reversal of impairment losses are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

#### Notes to the Accounts

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## Accounting Policies (continued)

#### Bloodstock

Bloodstock are stated at fair value less estimated costs to sell in accordance with the fair value model in FRS 102. Movements in fair value are taken to profit or loss in the year in which they arise.

#### Impairment of Fixed Assets

An assessment is made at each reporting date of whether there are indications that a fixed asset may be impaired. Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss.

#### Stocks

Stocks and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

#### Long Term Contracts

Long term contracts are assessed on a contract by contract basis and are reflected in profit or loss by recording turnover and related costs as contract activity progresses, where the outcome of the contract can be assessed with reasonable certainty.

#### Employee Benefits

The Group recognises a provision for annual leave accrued by employees as a result of services rendered in the current period, and which employees are entitled to carry forward and use within the next 12 months. The provision is measured at the salary cost payable for the period of absence.

#### Defined contribution plans

For defined contribution schemes the amount charged to profit or loss is the contributions payable in the year. Differences between contributions payable in the year and contributions actually paid are shown as either accruals or prepayments.

#### Taxation

The tax expense represents the sum of the current tax expense and deferred tax expense. Current tax assets are recognised when tax paid exceeds the tax payable.

Current tax is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from total comprehensive income because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other periods. Current tax assets and liabilities are measured using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled based on tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date. Deferred tax is not discounted.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised in respect of all timing differences that exist at the reporting date. Timing differences are differences between taxable profits and total comprehensive income that arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in different periods from their recognition in the financial statements.

#### Financial Instruments

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

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## Accounting Policies (continued)

#### Trade and Other Debtors (including accrued income)

Trade and other debtors (including accrued income) which are receivable within one year and which do not constitute a financing transaction are initially measured at the transaction price. Trade debtors are subsequently measured at amortised cost, being the transaction price less any amounts settled and any impairment losses.

#### Current Asset Investments

Current asset investments are equity investments over which the Group has no significant influence, joint control or control and are initially measured at transaction price. Transaction price includes transaction costs, except where trade investments are measured at fair value through profit or loss when transaction costs are expensed to profit or loss as incurred.

The fair value of current asset investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange is the quoted bid price.

#### Trade and Other Creditors (including accruals)

Trade and other creditors (including accruals) payable within one year that do not constitute a financing transaction are initially measured at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost, being the transaction price less any amounts settled.

Where the arrangement with a trade creditor or other creditor constitutes a financing transaction, the creditor is initially and subsequently measured at the present value of future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar instrument.

#### Foreign Currencies

Transactions in currencies other than the function currency (foreign currencies) are initially recorded at the exchange date prevailing on the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the reporting date. All translation differences are taken to profit or loss.

#### Key Accounting Estimates and Assumptions

The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates and assumptions will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

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

#### Accounting Estimates and Assumptions

#### Investment Properties

The investment properties are valued by Mr. W.J. Gredley and Mr. A.G. Morris M.R.I.C.S. (directors). Both directors have extensive knowledge of the property market and of property valuation, and the values in note 9 represent the open market values thereof.

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1	Accounting Policies (continued)			
		Areas of Judgement The directors do not consider there to be any key ar	eas of judgement.	
2	Turnover	An analysis of the Group's turnover by class of busi	ness is as follows:	
			2023	2022
		Property Bloodstock, Racing and Other Income	£ 17,588,377 285,914	£ 15,448,468 565,161
			£17,874,291	£16,013,629
		Turnover includes £31,604 (2022: £nil) of over turnover is derived wholly within the United Kirmainly rental income from investment properties.		
3	Investment income		2023	2022
		Interest on bank deposits Dividends received from listed investments	246,657 182,470	24,877 -
			£429,127	£24,877
4	Interest payable		2023 £	2022 £
		Other interest payable	£6,040	£7,147
5	Profit Before Taxation	This is stated after charging/(crediting):	2023 £	2022 £
		Depreciation	299,283	273,154
		Profit on disposal of tangible fixed assets Profit on foreign exchange	(10,507)	(37,515) (2,733)
		Fees payable to RSM UK Audit LLP and its association follows:	iates in respect of au	dit services are as
			2023 £	2022 £
		Audit services - statutory audit of parent and	ı	£
		consolidation Audit services - statutory audit of the subsidiary	5,000	5,000
		entities	190,000	175,000

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#### 6 Employees Including Directors

The average monthly number of persons (including Directors) employed by the Group during the year was:	2023 No.	2022 No.
Office and Management	18	19
Manual	28	25
	46	44
	2023	2022
Staff costs for the above persons:	£	£
Wages and Salaries	2,341,398	2,344,992
Social Security	287,336	269,380
Pension Costs	37,645	34,189
	£2,666,379	£2,648,561

The Company had no employees in 2023 (2022: Nil) except for the directors who were paid by a subsidiary company.

Contributions to a defined contribution pension scheme totalling £7,294 (2022: £7,622) were payable to the fund at the year end and are included in creditors.

#### Directors

	2023	2022
In respect of the Group:	£	£
Emoluments	704,860	829,230
Pension Contributions	5,394	6,605
	£710,254	£835,835
Emoluments - highest paid Director	233,876	216,405
Pension Contributions	1,321	1,321
	£235,197	£217,726

The number of directors to whom retirement benefits are accruing under defined contribution pension schemes was 4 (2022: 4).

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8	Taxation

Current tax: UK corporation tax Prior year UK corporation tax Other taxation	2023 £ 7,833,477 (12,267) 20,439	2022 £ 3,435,876 (3,369)
Total current tax	7,841,649	3,432,507
Deferred tax: Origination and reversal of timing differences Impact of rate changes	(4,972,000)	2,473,000 6,980,000
Total tax charged to profit or loss	2,869,649	12,885,507

The tax assessed for the year differs from the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2022: 19%). The differences are explained below:

Profit before tax	£13,091,697	£23,963,862
Profit multiplied by the standard rate of		
corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2022: 19%):	2,487,422	4,553,134
Fixed asset timing differences	(113,838)	(2,368)
Non-taxable expenses and income	(691,716)	522,386
Short-term timing differences		835,346
Chargeable gains	2,672,903	· -
Deferred taxation	(1,532,290)	6,980,378
Other adjustments	59,435	_
Prior year adjustments	(12,267)	(3,369)
Tax expense	£2,869,649	£12,885,507

The Finance Act 2021 makes provision for the rate of corporation tax in the UK to increase from 1st April 2023 from 19% to 25%, resulting in a significant impact to the provision for deferred taxation in the prior year.

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9	Investment Properties	Group	Freehold
			£
		Valuation at 31st March 2022	296,751,633
		Additions	12,950,559
		Disposals	(38,979,267)
		Fair value gain	4,059,365

Valuation at 30th March 2023 £274,782,290

Historic Cost At 30th March 2023 £95,533,243 At 30th March 2022 £121,561,951

The fair value of the investment properties has been arrived at by Mr. W.J. Gredley and Mr. A.G. Morris M.R.I.C.S. (directors), using a basis of market value.

#### 10 Other Tangible Fixed Assets

Group		Vehicles,	
	Land and	Fixtures and	
	Buildings	Equipment	Total
Cost or valuation	£	£	£
At 31st March 2022	12,679,273	1,443,965	14,123,238
Additions	7,702	150,750	158,452
Disposals	_	(40,209)	(40,209)
At 30th March 2023	£12,686,975	£1,554,506	£14,241,481
Depreciation			
At 31st March 2022	115,462	819,946	935,408
Charge for the year	114,184	185,099	299,283
Eliminated on disposal	<u> </u>	(33,299)	(33,299)
At 30th March 2023	£229,646	£971,746	£1,201,392
Net Book Value			
At 30th March 2023	£12,457,329	£582,760	£13,040,089
At 30th March 2022	£12,563,811	£624,019	£13,187,830

The treehold land and buildings are not stated at fair value as at 30 March 2023 as, in the opinion of the directors, there was no reliable measure of fair value at that date and, as a result, the directors have adopted the 30 March 2021 fair value as the deemed cost for the asset going forward.

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-	2023	If land and buildings were stated on a histo basis, the amounts would have been included	Other Tangible Fixed Assets (continued)	10
2,328) (688,144)	£ 14,795,417 (802,328) (1,535,760)	Cost Accumulated depreciation Accumulated impairment		
7,329 £12,563,811	£12,457,329	Carrying amount		
Total £ 8,229,377 2,831,566 (1,437,287) 2,354,171		Group Valuation At 31st March 2022 Additions Disposals Fair value gain	Bloodstock	11
£11,977,827		At 30th March 2023		
		The fair value of the bloodstock has been an Gredley (directors) using a basis of market whigh level of estimation uncertainty.		
2023 2022		Group	Current Asset Investments	12
<b>8,830</b> 10,035	10,035 12,468,830 48,452	Listed Investments At 31st March 2022 Additions Fair value gain		
<b>7,317</b> £10,035	£12,527,317	At 30th March 2023		
7,517 210,055				
	£12,478,865	Historic cost		
8,865 £10,035 2023 2022	2023	Historic cost  Group	Stocks	13
8,865 £10,035  2023 2022 £ £ £ 5,000 5,000	2023		Stocks	13
8,865 £10,035  2023 £ £ 5,000 5,000 6,706 3,897,064	2023 £ 5,000	Group Property stock	Stocks	13
8,865 £10,035  2023 2022 £ £ £ 5,000 5,000 6,706 3,897,064  11,706 £3,902,064  2023 2022	2023 £ 5,000 3,986,706 £3,991,706	Group Property stock	Debtors: Amounts due within	13
8,865 £10,035  2023 £ £ £ 5,000 5,000 66,706 3,897,064  11,706 £3,902,064  2023 £ £ £ £1,231 1,145,597	2023 £ 5,000 3,986,706 £3,991,706 2023 £ 451,231	Group Property stock Works of art  Group Trade debtors		
8,865     £10,035       2023     2022       £     £       5,000     5,000       66,706     3,897,064       21,706     £3,902,064       2023     2022       £     £       11,231     1,145,597       813,008     813,008	2023 £ 5,000 3,986,706 £3,991,706	Group Property stock Works of art Group	Debtors: Amounts due within	

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15	Creditors: Amounts falling due
	within one year

Group	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	155,627	190,136
Corporation tax	4,491,211	2,077,646
Other taxation and Social Security	678,279	649,338
Other creditors	9,894,992	10,349,280
Accruals and deferred income	5,175,504	4,636,381
	£20,395,613	£17,902,781

The company creditors due within one year comprise £162,450 (2022: £nil) in relation to corporation tax.

#### 16 Provision for Liabilities

2023 2022 £

The deferred tax liabilities recognised by the Group are:

Revaluation of Land and Buildings	20,000	5,000
Revaluation of Investment Properties	36,938,615	41,193,615
Timing differences arising on capital allowances Timing differences arising on losses	103,885 (725,000)	110,885
	£36,337,500	£41,309,500

#### Reconciliation of movement

Reconciliation of movement	2023 £
At 31st March 2022	41,309,500
Deferred tax arising on revaluation of Land and Buildings	15,000
Deferred tax arising on revaluation of Investment Properties	(4,255,000)
Deferred tax arising on difference on capital allowances	(7,000)
Deferred tax asset arising on trading losses	(725,000)
At 30th March 2023	£36.337.500

The deferred tax primarily arises on the investment properties held by the Group. The Group's policy is to retain the majority of these investment properties for long term purposes hence this deferred tax is not considered to be due in the foreseeable future.

#### 17 **Share Capital**

	Allotted, Called Up and Fully Paid	
	2023	2022
	£	£
'A' Ordinary shares	3,674,500	3,674,500
'B' Ordinary shares	23,490,000	23,490,000
'C' Ordinary shares	3,523,500	3,523,500
'D' Ordinary shares	6,268,500	6,268,500
'E' Ordinary shares	106,278	106,278
'F' Ordinary shares	9,265,695	9,265,695
	£46,328,473	£46,328,473

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## Share Capital (continued)

All shares have a £1 nominal value and each has a right to participate in dividends. In the event of a winding-up of the Company or other return of capital (other than the redemption or purchase by the Company of any of its own shares) then there are minor variations in rights attributed to each class of share as set out in the articles of association.

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#### Reserves

Reserves of the Group represent the following:

Revaluation Reserve

The cumulative revaluation gains and losses in respect of Investment Properties and Freehold Buildings, net of deferred tax.

Profit and Loss Account

Cumulative profit and loss net of distributions to owners.

#### 19 Related Party Transactions

- (i) At 30th March 2023 there was an amount due to directors of the Company of £7,254,393 (2022: £6,544,486). During the year £9,816,632 (2022: £700,000) was introduced and £9,106,725 (2022: £1,533,437) was withdrawn. There was no interest paid in the year on these loans.
- (ii) During the year the Group received rental income of £40,020 (2022: £40,020) from Mr.W.J. Gredley, a director of the Company.
- (iii) At 30th March 2023 there was an amount due of £402,119 (2022: £490,768) to a charitable trust of which Mr. W.J. Gredley, a director of the Company, is a controlling trustee. Interest of £3,190 (2022: £3,190) was charged on this balance.
- (iv) During the year the Group received £347,655 (2022: £617,566) and paid £1,229,687 (2022: £557,418) on behalf of a partnership controlled by P. G. Gredley and Mr. T.C.O. Gredley, both directors of the Company, and purchased assets from the partnership in the sum of £5,500,000 (2022: £nil). At 30th March 2023 there was a net amount due to this partnership of £nil (2022: £882,032).
- (v) During the year the Group incurred consultancy fees of £25,000 (2022: £26,250) from a company owned by a director of the Company.
- (vi) During the year the Group acquired 100% of the shareholding in a company wholly owned by P. G. Gredley and T. C. O. Gredley, both directors of the Company, for the sum of £3,000,000.
- (vii) Certain Directors have interests in a number of related companies which have long standing balances with the Group. Balances at the year end are:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Amounts due from related companies	9,668	199,461
Amounts due to related companies	49,248	49,248

(viii) At the year end there was an amount due by the Group of £462 (2022: £nil) to a company of which WJ Gredley was a director, and during the year the Group formally waived a loan balance due to it of £nil (2022: £17,632) from the company.

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## 19 Related Party Transactions (continued)

- (ix) During the year the Group acquired plant and machinery to the value of £75,000 (2022: £nil) from a company owned by a close family member of of WJ Gredley.
- (x) At 30th March 2023 there was an amount due to the Group of £280,990 (2022: £nil) relating to loans made to two companies owned by a director of the Company.
- (xi) At 30th March 2023 there was an amount due to the Group of £270,000 (2022: £nil) relating to a loan made to a close family member of WJ Gredley.

#### 20 Rent Receivable

At the year end the Group had contracted with tenants under non-cancellable operating leases, for the following future minimum lease payments:

	2023	2022
Amounts receivable:	£	£
Within one year	10,572,380	10,774,149
Between two and five years	25,374,463	29,530,096
In more than five years	8,812,597	10,023,977
	£44,759,440	£50,328,222

The operating leases represent leases of a number of properties to third parties. The leases are registered over terms of 1 to 125 years (2022: 1 to 125 years). There are no options in place for either party to extend the lease terms.

#### 21 Controlling Party

No one individual has overall control, the Company being controlled by a number of members of the Gredley family by virtue of personal shareholdings in and board membership of Unex Group Holdings Limited.

#### 22 Contingent Liabilities

The company is part of a VAT group with certain other members of the Unex Group Holdings Limited group. At the year end the potential exposure to the company under the group registration was £607,874 (2022: £564,426).

#### 23 Subsidiary Undertakings

The parent company had the following subsidiary undertakings at 30th March 2023 all of which are included in the consolidated financial statements. Unless indicated otherwise the equity in the ordinary shares is owned 100%, all of which were held indirectly, other than Unex Holdings Limited.

Activity

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Aragon Court Investments Limited	Dormant
Artwace Limited	Art
Boardman House Investments Limited	Dormant
Boardman Property Investments Limited (76%)	Dormant
Competition Yard Limited	Dormant
Crannish Properties Limited	Dormant
Fanjen Limited	Dormant
Full Disclosure Limited	Dormant
Fifty Six Investments Limited	Dormant
Giltoption Limited	Dormant
Grant House Limited	Dormant

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## 23 Subsidiary Undertakings (continued)

	Activity
Gredley House Investments Limited	Dormant
Kings Hedges Investments Limited	Dormant
Liftbourne Limited	Dormant
Lucky Strike (Peterborough) Limited	Dormant
Middle Park Stud Limited	Dormant
Middle Park Stud (1998) Limited	Dormant
Panatown Limited	Dormant
Polly Gredley PR Limited	Dormant
Repairbrook Limited	Property Investment
Sefton Investments Limited	Dormant
Stetchworth and Middle Park Studs Limited	Bloodstock
Stetchworth Park Bloodstock Limited	Dormant
Stetchworth Park Stables Limited	Dormant
Stetchworth Park Stud Limited	Dormant
Superdrive Limited (76%)	Dormant
T.A.P. Investments Limited	Property Investment
Thorcastle Limited	Property Trading
Unex Limited	Dormant
Unex Cherrygreen Limited	Dormant
Unex Competition Yard Limited	Show Jumping
Unex Construction Limited	Construction
Unex Corporation Limited	Investment
Unex Econvest Limited	Dormant
Unex Finance Limited	Finance
Unex Farms Limited	Dormant
Unex Gredley (Holdings) Limited	Dormant
Unex Competition Yard (USA) LLC	Property Investment
Unex Harpenny Limited	Dormant
Unex Holdings Limited	Investment
Unex Investment Properties Limited	Property Investment
Unex Investment Trust Limited	Investment
Unex Landmass Limited	Dormant
Unex Mechanical Limited	Dormant
Unex Nellover Limited	Finance
Unex (No. 1) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 3) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 10) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 12) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 13) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 14) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 15) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 16) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 17) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 18) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 19) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 20) Limited	Dormant
Unex (No. 21) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 22) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 23) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 24) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 25) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 26) Limited	Property Investment
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## 23 Subsidiary Undertakings (continued)

	Activity
Unex (No. 27) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 28) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 29) Limited	Dormant
Unex (No. 30) Limited	Dormant
Unex (No. 31) Limited	Dormant
Unex (No. 33) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 34) Limited	Dormant
Unex (No. 35) Limited	Dormant
Unex (No. 36) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 37) Limited	Property Investment
Unex (No. 38) Limited	Dormant
Unex (No. 39) Limited	Dormant
Unex (No. 40) Limited	Dormant
Unex Smithfield Limited	Investment
Unex Towerlands Limited	Dormant
User Friendly Properties Limited	Property Investment
User Friendly Properties (No. 1) Limited	Property Investment
User Friendly Properties (No. 2) Limited	Dormant
User Friendly Properties (No. 3) Limited	Dormant
User Friendly Properties (No. 4) Limited	Property Investment
Balance of cost at 30th March 2022 and 30th March 2023	£92,000,000

The registered office address of all UK subsidiaries listed above is Unex House, Church Lane, Stetchworth, Newmarket, Cambridgeshire, CB8 9TN.

The parent company has given a guarantee under section 479C of the Companies Act 2006 to the following subsidiary undertakings to enable them to claim exemption from an audit under section 479A of the Companies Act 2006.

	Company number
Artwace Limited	1143894
Full Disclosure Limited	11474596
Kings Hedges Investments Limited	3379928
Thorcastle Limited	1123336
Unex (No. 28) Limited	12638939
Unex Investment Properties Limited	1111206
Unex Smithfield Limited	1135903
User Friendly Properties (No. 3) Limited	7649588

The parent company guarantees all outstanding liabilities to which the subsidiary undertaking is subject at 30th March 2023 until they are satisfied in full.