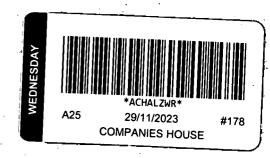
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Marshall Wace LLP

Members' Report and financial statements
For the year ended 28 February 2023



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Members' report For the year ended 28 February 2023

The members present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of Marshall Wace LLP ("MW LLP") for the year ended 28 February 2023.

Principal activities and review of the business

The principal activity of MW LLP is to provide investment management services. MW LLP is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA"). There have been no changes to the principle activity since the last annual report and no changes are anticipated in the foreseeable future.

Policies for member's drawings, subscriptions and repayments of members' capital

Policies for members' drawings, subscriptions and repayment of members' capital are governed by the Partnership Agreement dated 4 September 2015.

Results

Results for the year are shown in the statement of comprehensive income on page 9. Turnover for the year amounted to £1,235,736k (2022: £1,548,865k) which resulted in a profit for the year available for division amongst members of £538,081k (2022: £722,769k). Members' other interests at year end amounted to £106,552k (2022: £120,326k).

Members

The members of MW LLP during the year and up to the date of this report were:

- D J Anderson
- E C Appleford
- J C Carter
- A P Clake
- J R Cotton
- E Fragomeni
- D E Ford
- H S Freye
- K A Hofmeyr
- E K Houston
- M J Howley
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Marshall Wace Asset Management Limited

- P R C Marshall
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- C J Musgrave
- D M Reynard
- M P Rooney
- I A Smillie
- I G P Wace S C Waite
- P M Zdziarski
- L Zhou

The designated members are C J Musgrave and J E May.

Members' report (continued) For the year ended 28 February 2023

Capital management

A five year profit forecast, prepared as part of MW LLP's Internal Capital and Risk Assessment (ICARA), has been updated to take into account the potential impacts of political uncertainty and instability in the wider global economy. This has been based upon conservative assumptions and indicates the firm anticipates it will be able to retain sufficient future profits to ensure it is able to meet its regulatory capital requirement as well as its business needs. The forecast has been stress-tested and the members are confident that the business has sufficient resources to continue to meet its regulatory capital requirement.

Key performance indicators

Given the straight forward nature of the business, the members 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.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The principal risks and uncertainties affecting MW LLP relate to the performance of the underlying funds it manages and the impact that poor performance may have on the ability to attract and retain investors. Other risks and uncertainties relate to the ability to attract and retain key investment executives. MW LLP is not exposed to any significant price, credit, liquidity or cash flow risk.

Streamlined Energy Carbon Reporting

The Partnership's energy and carbon reporting obligations are included at the Group level within the consolidated financial statements of Marshall Wace Asset Management Ltd as at 28 February 2023. These financial statements may be obtained from the registered office.

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In accordance with the rules of the FCA, MW LLP has published information on its risk management objectives and policies on its regulatory capital requirements and resources. This information is available on MW LLP's website, www.mwam.com, or upon application to the registered office. These disclosures are unaudited.

The UK stewardship code disclosures of MW LLP as required by the FCA Handbook of Rules and Guidance COBS 2.2.3 — Disclosure of commitments to the Financial Reporting Council's Stewardship Code, are available on MW LLP's website at www.mwam.com, or upon application to the registered office. These disclosures are unaudited.

Going Concern

The Partnership's forecasting is described in the 'Capital Management' section above. Taking that forecasting into consideration, including the nature of the Partnership and its business, the Members are satisfied that, at the time of approving the accounts, there is a reasonable expectation that the Partnership has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for 12 months from the date that the Annual Report and Accounts are signed. For this reason the Members continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the accounts.

Statement as to disclosure of information to auditor

The designated members are not aware of any relevant audit information which has not been disclosed to the auditor of MW LLP. The designated members also confirm that they have taken all steps that they ought to have taken as members in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that MW LLP's auditor is aware of this information.

Members' report (continued)
For the year ended 28 February 2023

Auditor

The auditor, Ernst & Young LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office. The members will propose a motion reappointing the auditor at a meeting of the members.

This report was approved by the members on 16 May 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

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C J Musgrave Designated member

Members' responsibilities statement For the year ended 28 February 2023

The members are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008 made under the Limited Liability Partnership Act 2000 requires the members to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the members have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'. Under company law, as applied to LLPs, the members must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of MW LLP and of the profit or loss of MW LLP for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the members are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- · make judgments 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the entity will continue in business.

The members are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the entity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the MW LLP and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of the Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of MW LLP and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent auditor's report to the shareholders of Marshall Wace LLP

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Marshall Wace LLP (the 'limited liability partnership') for the year ended 28 February 2023 which comprise the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of financial position, the reconciliation of movements in members' interest and the related notes 1 to 15, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

- give a true and fair view of the state of the limited liability partnership's affairs as at 28 February 2023 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; including FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 as applied to limited liability partnerships.

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 below. We are independent of the limited liability partnership in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the members' 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 limited liability partnership's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least 12 months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the members with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report. However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this statement is not a guarantee as to the limited liability partnership's ability to continue as a going concern.

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 members are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Independent auditor's report to the shareholders of Marshall Wace LLP

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 there is 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 the other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

- the information given in the members' report for the financial year for which the financial statements is prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the members' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the limited liability partnership and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the members' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 as applied to limited liability partnerships requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- · the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- · we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of members

As explained more fully in the Members' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 5, the members 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 members determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the members are responsible for assessing the partnership'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 members either intend to liquidate the partnership 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.

Independent auditor's report to the shareholders of Marshall Wace LLP

Explanation as to what extent the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect irregularities, including fraud. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and management.

Our approach was as follows:

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the limited liability partnership and determined that the most significant are those that relate to the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and certain regulations of the Financial Conduct Authority that may have an effect on the determination of the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- We understood how the limited liability partnership is complying with those frameworks by making enquiries of management. We corroborated our understanding through our review of board meeting minutes and correspondence received from regulatory bodies.
- We assessed the susceptibility of the limited liability partnership's financial statements to material
 misstatement, including how fraud might occur by meeting with management to understand where
 they considered there was susceptibility to fraud. We considered the controls that the limited liability
 partnership has established to address risks identified, or that otherwise prevent, deter and detect
 fraud, including in a remote-working environment; and how management monitors these controls.
- Based on this understanding we designed our audit procedures to identify noncompliance with such laws and regulations. Our procedures involved journal entry testing, with a focus on manual journals and journals indicating large or unusual transactions based on our understanding of the business and enquiries of management.

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

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 as applied to Limited Liability Partnerships. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the 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 limited liability partnership and the limited/liability partnership's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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James Beszant (Senior statutory auditor) for and on behalf of Ernst & Young LLP (Statutory Auditor)

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London

Date 19 May 2023

Statement of comprehensive income For the year ended 28 February 2023

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		2023	2022
	Note	£000	£000
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Turnover	·4	1,235,736	1,548,865
Fee rebates and other fees payable		(656,496)	(797,678)
Gross profit		579,240	751,187
Administrative expenses		(112,980)	(127,258)
Operating profit	5	466,260	623,929
Profit allocation from Marshall Wace North America L.P	•	70,873	100,222
Foreign exchange losses		(63)	(5,289)
Interest receivable and similar income		1,939	5
Interest payable and similar costs			(15)
Net unrealised fair value movements on investments	•	·	2,818
Realised gains on investments		·	1,100
Profit before taxation		539,009	722,770
Taxation	7	(928)	. (1)
Profit for the year before members' remuneration and	·		
profit shares available for discretionary division among members	• .	538,081	722,769

There was no other comprehensive income for 2023 (2022: nil)

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Statement of financial position As at 28 February 2023

	,	•	
		2023	2022
	Note	£000	£000
Current assets			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	9	106,508	161,329
Cash at bank and in hand	10	65,839	31,214
	•	172,347	192,543
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11 .	(30,312)	(43,416)
Net assets attributable to members		142,035	149,127
	_		:
Represented by:			
Loans and other debts due to members within one year	12	35,483	28,801
	•		
Members' other interests		•	•
Members' capital classed as equity	•	34,392	. 36,247
Reorganisation reserve	:	(15,297)	(15,297)
Other reserves classified as equity	•	87,457	99,376
		106,552	120,326
	 -	142,035	149,127
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Total members' other interests			
Amounts due from members (included in debtors)	9 .	(43,684)	(100,816)
Loans and other debts due to members	. 12	35,483	28,801
Members' other interests	•	106,552	120,326
		98,351	48,311
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The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board on 16 May 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

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C J Musgrave

Designated member

Reconciliation of movements in members' interests For the year ended 28 February 2023

	Members' capital classified as equity £000	Reorganisation reserve £000	Other reserves classified as equity	Total members' other interests £000	Loans and other debts due to members less amounts due from members in debtors	Total members interests £000
At 1 March 2022	36,247	(15,297)	99,376	120,326	(72,015)	48,311
Profit for the year available for discretionary division among members	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-	538,081	538,081	_	538,081
Members' interests after profit for the year	36,247	(15,297)	637,457	658,407	(72,015)	586,392
Profit allocated to members during the year Capital repaid to members Payments to members during the year Other transactions with members during the year	 (1,855) 		(550,000) — — —	(550,000) (1,855) —	550,000 — (495,764) 9,578	(1,855) (495,764) 9,578
At 28 February 2023	34,392	(15,297)	87,457	106,552	(8,201)	98,351
Amounts due to members Amounts due from members					35,483 (43,684) (8,201)	

Reconciliation of movements in members' interests (continued) For the year ended 28 February 2023

	Members' capital classified as equity £000	Reorganisation reserve £000	Other reserves classified as equity £000	Total members' other interests £000	Loans and other debts due to members less amounts due from members in debtors	Total members interests £000
At 1 March 2021	21,321	(15,297)	302,688	308,712	(211,492)	97,220
Profit for the year available for discretionary division among members	- -	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	722,769	722,769		722,769
Members' interests after profit for the year	21,321	(15,297)	1,025,457	1,031,481	(211,492)	819,989
Profit allocated to members during the year Capital introduced by members Payments to members during the year Other transactions with members during the year	14,926 —		(926,081) — — —	(926,081) 14,926 — —	926,081 — (750,255) (36,349)	14,926 (750,255) (36,349)
At 28 February 2022	36,247	(15,297)	99,376	120,326	(72,015)	48,311
Amounts due to members Amounts due from members				-	28,801 (100,816) (72,015)	

Notes to the financial statements For the year ended 28 February 2023

1. General information

Marshall Wace LLP is a limited liability partnership incorporated and domiciled in the United Kingdom and regulated by the FCA. The address of the registered office and principal place of business is George House, 131 Sloane Street, London, SW1X 9AT.

The principal activity of MW LLP is to provide investment management services.

2. Accounting policies

2.1. Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 ("FRS 102"), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting by Limited Liability Partnerships" issued in January 2018.

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgment in applying the entity's accounting policies (see note 3).

2.2. Financial reporting standard 102 reduced disclosure exemptions

MW LLP has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemptions in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by the FRS 102:

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows:
- the requirements of Section 3 Financial Statement Presentation paragraph 3.17(d);
- the requirements of Section 11 Financial Instruments paragraphs 11.39 to 11.48A;
- the requirements of Section 12 Other Financial Instruments paragraphs 12.26 to 12.29

This information is included in the consolidated financial statements of Marshall Wace Asset Management Limited as at 28 February 2023 and these financial statements may be obtained from the registered office.

2.3. Foreign currency translation

Functional and presentation currency

MW LLP's functional and presentational currency is pound sterling ("£") which is the currency of the primary economic environment in which MW LLP operates. Unless otherwise stated, all numbers are disclosed to the nearest £1,000.

Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the spot exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 28 February 2023

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.3. Foreign currency translation (continued)

At each period end foreign currency monetary items are translated using the closing rate. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction and non-monetary items measured at fair value are measured using the exchange rate when fair value was determined.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income except when deferred in other comprehensive income as qualifying cash flow hedges.

2.4. Revenue

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to MW LLP and the revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured as the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax and other sales taxes.

Management fees are recognised when the respective services are performed. Performance fees are recognised at the point of crystallisation when the relevant performance obligation is satisfied.

Other income includes amounts paid by funds and managed accounts for research costs incurred in the delivery of investment management services. These amounts are recognised when they become due and payable.

2.5. Fee rebates and other fees payable

Agreements have been entered into with certain investors whereby a proportion of management/ performance fees are rebated. MW LLP also has sub-advisory agreements with other group companies. These rebates and sub-advisory expenses are calculated monthly and recognised on an accruals basis.

2.6. Expenses

Expenses are charged to the statement of comprehensive income on an accruals basis in the period in which they are consumed by the LLP.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 28 February 2023

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.7. Taxation

The tax expense for the year comprises of current tax. Tax is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income, except that a change attributable to an item of income and expense recognised as other comprehensive income or to an item recognised directly in equity is also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date in the countries where the Company operates and generates income.

2.8. Financial instruments

MW LLP has chosen to adopt Sections 11 and 12 of FRS 102 in respect of financial instruments. The basis for recognition and measurement of financial instruments is as set out in these accounting policies.

Financial assets are derecognised when (a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or (b) substantially all the risks and rewards of the ownership of the asset are transferred to another party or (c) control of the asset has been transferred to another party who has the practical ability to unilaterally sell the asset to an unrelated third party without imposing additional restrictions.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the liability is extinguished, that is when the contractual obligation is discharged, cancelled or expires.

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

2.9. Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment. Loans receivable are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 28 February 2023

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.10. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash is represented by cash at banks and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of not more than 24 hours. Cash equivalents are highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant risk of change in value.

2.11. Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at transaction price. Other financial liabilities, including bank loans, are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.12. Members' capital

Members' capital is classified as equity in accordance with the Partnership Agreement dated 4 September 2015. It is not automatically repayable on retirement and is not interest bearing.

3. Judgments in applying accounting policies and key sources of estimation uncertainty

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.

None of the judgments or estimates made are significant to the amounts included in the financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 28 February 2023

4. Turnover

An analysis of turnover by class of business is as follows:	2023	2022
	£000	£000
Management fees and other income	637,561	559,961
Performance fees	598,175	988,904
	.1,235,736	1,548,865
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Analysis of turnover by country of origin:	2023	2022
	£000	£000
Ireland	794,788	1,140,255
Rest of the world	440,948	408,610
	1,235,736	1,548,865

5. Operating profit

	•			2023	2022
		•	•	£000	£000
The operating profit is stated after charging:					
Fees payable to the Company's auditors for:					
- The audit of the LLP financial statements				76	. 68
- Audit-related assurance services				7	7

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 28 February 2023

6. Employees

MW LLP does not have any employees for the current or prior year. All support services including headcount is provided by MW LLP's parent, Marshall Wace Asset Management Limited. MW LLP is charged for these services as disclosed in note 14.

7. Taxation

	2023 £000	2022 £000
Current tax:	•	
Adjustments in respect of prior periods	928	. 1
Foreign tax:		•
Foreign tax on income for the year		. —
Foreign tax in respect of prior periods		· _
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Total tax	928	1
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The tax assessed for the year is lower than (2022: lower than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.00% (2022: 19.00%). The differences are explained below:

Profit for the financial year before taxation	539,009	722,770
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.00% (2022: 19.00%)	102,412	137,326
Effects of:		
Profit allocation to individual members subject to income tax	(102,412)	(137,326)
Adjustments in respect of previous periods	928	1
Total taxation	928	, 1.

Factors that may affect future tax charges

Changes to the UK corporation tax rates were substantively enacted as part of Finance Act 2021 (published on 24 May 2021, with royal assent received on 10 June 2021). This confirmed an increase to the corporation tax rate to 25% with effect from 1 April 2023. Deferred taxes at the Balance Sheet date have been calculated based on the corporation tax rate of 25% that is enacted at the reporting date.

Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 28 February 2023

8. Information in relation to members

	2023	2022
'	Number	Number
Average number of members during the year	22	<u>. 22</u>

Profits are formerly allocated to members during the year. The profit attributable to the member with the largest entitlement of £266,214k in relation to profits earned in the fiscal year (2022: £321,978k).

9. Debtors

J. Debiois	•				
	••		2023	. 20)22
			£000	£0	000
Amounts owed by group undertakings		•	4,047	2,3	50
Other debtors			5,464	2,6	
Prepayments and accrued income			47,717	48,9	07
Receivable from funds	•		5,596	6,6	01
Amounts due from members			43,684	100,8	16
	•	-	106,508	161,3	29

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10. Cash and cash equivalents	:			
			2023	2022
			£000	£000
Cash at bank and in hand	•	•	50,466	20,072
Research Payment account			15,373	11,142
			65,839	31,214
	•			
11. Creditors: amounts falling due	within one year			
		*1	2023	2022
			£000	£000
Accruals and deferred income			16,262	21,576
Amounts owed to group undertaking	S		12,573	21,700
Other creditors			1,477	140
			30,312	43,416
12. Loans and other debts due to	members		, · · .	
			2023 £000	2022 £000
Amounts due to members	•		35,483	28,801

13. Other financial commitments and contingencies

MW LLP is guarantor in respect of the obligations of Marshall Wace Asset Management Limited for annual rent payable under the lease agreements for both the registered office and an additional office space. The lease for the registered office expires on 24 December 2030 with an option to break on 24 December 2026, and the lease for the additional office space expires on 24 December 2031. Future obligated rental payments for the two properties amount to £35,903k (2022: £32,575k).

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14. Related party transactions

During the year, MW LLP was charged £440,760k (2022: £561,159k) by Marshall Wace Asset Management Limited (MWAM), a member and parent undertaking of MW LLP, for services provided by MWAM. In addition, MW LLP paid sub advisory fees to MWAM of £5,508k (2022: £23,467k). At year end there was a balance of £35,483k (2022: £28,801k) due to MWAM which is included within amounts due to members.

During the year, MW LLP paid sub advisory and support fees to Marshall Wace North America, L.P. totalling £179,845k (2022: £228,690k) and sales agent fees of £9,554k (2022: £8,701k). MW LLP received a profit allocation of £70,873k (2022: £100,222k) from Marshall Wace North America, L.P. At year end there was a balance of £7,096k (2022: £18,981k) due to Marshall Wace North America, L.P. The entities are related through sharing the same ultimate controlling party.

During the year, MW LLP paid support fees to MW Group LP totalling £nil (2022: £nil) At year end there was a balance of £2,124k (2022: £nil) due to MW Group LP. MW Group LP is MW LLP's ultimate parent.

During the year, MW LLP received sales agent fees from Marshall Wace Asia Limited of £761k (2022: £1,232k). In addition, MW LLP paid sub-advisory fees and support service fees to Marshall Wace Asia Limited totalling £110,775k (2022: £175,991k). At year end there was a balance of £5,003k (2022: £2,383k) due to Marshall Wace Asia Limited. The entities are related through sharing the same ultimate controlling party.

During the year, MW LLP provided sub-advisory and support services totalling £137,777k (2022: £225,955k) to Marshall Wace (GP1) Limited. At year end there was a net balance of £336k (2022: £392k) due from Marshall Wace (GP1) Limited. The entities are related through sharing the same ultimate controlling party.

During the year, MW LLP provided sub-advisory and support services totalling £3,168k (2022: £nil) to MW XO Digital Finance Fund GP Ltd. At year end there was a balance of £155k (2022: £nil) due from MW XO Digital Finance Fund GP Ltd. The entities are related through sharing the same ultimate controlling party.

During the year, MW LLP was charged £nil (2022: £2k) by Marshall Wace Asset Management (Ireland) Limited for services provided in its capacity as a management company for Irish UCITS funds and as an alternative investment fund manager of an Irish QIAIF. At year end there was a balance of £nil (2022: £nil) due to Marshall Wace Asset Management (Ireland) Ltd. The entities are related through sharing the same ultimate controlling party.

During the year, MW LLP received a net amount of £nil (2022: £3,918k) of gains from MW Ltd for investments held under the bonus deferral plan. At year end there was a balance of £1,431k (2022: £1,958k) due from MW Ltd which is included in debtors. The balance is interest free and has no fixed repayment date. The entities are related through sharing the same ultimate controlling party.

During the year, MW LLP was charged £3,403k (2022: £2,622k) by Marshall Wace Investment Management (Shanghai) Ltd for sub advisory and support fees. At year end there was a balance of £86k (2022: £228k) due from MW LLP. The entities are related through sharing the same ultimate controlling party.

During the year, MW LLP was charged £7,329k (2022: £1,648k) by Marshall Wace Singapore Pte. Ltd. for sub advisory and support fees and £914k (2022: £nil) for services provided in its capacity as a management company. At year end there was a balance of £388k (2022: £108k) due from MW LLP. The entities are related through sharing the same ultimate controlling party.

All transactions listed above are conducted at market rates on an arm's length basis.

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15. Parent undertaking and ultimate controlling party

MWAM is the immediate parent undertaking of MW LLP and is the parent of the smallest group for which consolidated financial statements are prepared. MWAM's registered address is George House, 131 Sloane Street, London, SW1X 9AT.

The ultimate parent entity and the parent of the largest group for which consolidated financial statements are prepared is MW Group LP, a limited partnership registered and domiciled in the Cayman Islands. The registered address of MW Group LP is PO Box 309, Ugland House, Grand Cayman, KY1-1104, Cayman Islands.

The ultimate controlling party is MW Group LP.