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**Livingbridge VC LLP**Members' Report and Financial Statements 31 December 2016

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A full list of the Members is available on request

### **MEMBERS' REPORT**

The Members present their report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016.

#### **Principal Activities**

Livingbridge VC LLP ('the LLP' or 'the Partnership') is a UK Limited Liability Partnership that was incorporated in England on 16 June 2006. It commenced trading on 1 January 2007. The Partnership was authorised to carry out investment management and advisory services by the UK Financial Conduct Authority (the 'FCA') on 23 October 2006.

The LLP is the Investment Manager to and invests on behalf of Baronsmead Venture Trust plc and Baronsmead Second Venture Trust plc, (together the 'Baronsmead VCTs' or 'BVCTs'), FPPE Fund plc ('FPPE Fund') and Wood Street Microcap Investment Fund ('WSM').

### **Going Concern**

The Members have a reasonable expectation that the LLP has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

### Members' Capital

At 31 December 2016 the LLP's Members' Capital consists of £1,000 of 'A' Capital and £1,000,000 of 'C' Capital.

'A' Capital is fixed at £1,000. Under the terms of the Limited Liability Partnership Deed ('LLP Deed'), Members subscribe to one of five different levels of 'A' Capital (as at 31 December 2016 at £1, £5, £60, £100 or £251) on becoming a Member of the Partnership. 'A' Capital is repayable to a Member upon leaving the LLP and is sold at face value to an individual(s) nominated by the Managing Partner.

'C' Capital of £1,000,000 is held in a bank account in the name of the LLP. This capital cannot be withdrawn to the extent it comprises regulatory capital required for the purposes of maintaining the adequacy of the LLP's financial resources.

### Members' Profits and Losses

The profits and losses of the LLP are allocated among the Members in accordance with the LLP Deed.

### **Current Year Performance**

The LLP turnover and profit for the year before Members remuneration available for division among Members was £10,615,661 (2015: £12,353,043) and £5,115,447 (2015: £7,363,446) respectively.

### Pillar 3 Disclosure

The LLP is authorised and regulated by the FCA. It is required by Chapter 11 (Disclosure (Pillar 3)) of the FCA's Prudential Sourcebook for Banks, Building Societies and Investment Firms ('BIPRU') to publish, at least annually, certain disclosures about its capital, risk exposures and risk management processes and remuneration arrangements. This requirement derives from the European Union's Capital Requirements Directive ('CRD').

 $The \ LLP's \ Pillar \ 3 \ Disclosure \ is \ published \ at: \ http://www.livingbridge.com/home/livingbridgevc-pillar \ 3.$ 

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Chief Operating Officer

### **MEMBERS' REPORT (continued)**

### Disclosure of information to auditor

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

### **Auditor**

KPMG LLP were appointed on 6 February 2014 as auditor to the LLP. KPMG LLP have indicated their willingness to continue in office as auditor to the LLP.

Approved by the Members on 25 April 2017:

Oluwole Olatunde Kolade Managing Partner

100 Wood Street London EC2V 7AN

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# STATEMENT OF MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE MEMBERS' REPORT AND THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Members are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations and have elected to prepare a Members' Report.

The Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008 require 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 UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

Under Regulation 8 of the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008 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 the LLP and of the profit or loss of the 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 estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the LLP will continue in business.

Under Regulation 6 of the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008, the Members are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the LLP's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the LLP and enable them to ensure that its financial statements comply with those regulations. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the LLP and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF LIVINGBRIDGE VC LLP

We have audited the financial statements of Livingbridge VC LLP for the year ended 31 December 2016 set out on pages 7 to 14. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

This report is made solely to the Members of the limited liability partnership (LLP), as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006, as required by Regulation 39 of the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the LLP'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 LLP and the LLP's Members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

### Respective responsibilities of Members and auditor

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

### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's website at <a href="www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate">www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate</a>.

### **Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the LLP as at 31 December 2016 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- · have been properly prepared in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 as applied to limited liability partnerships by the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008.

### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where 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 by the LLP, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the LLP's individual 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.

Jonathan Martin (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants

15 Canada Square London E14 5GL

25 April 2017

## STATEMENT OF TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

for the year ended 31 December 2016

	Notes	2016 £	2015 £
Turnover	1,2	10,615,661	12,353,043
Administrative expenses		(5,507,179)	(4,997,234)
Operating profit	4	5,108,482	7,355,809
Other interest receivable and similar income	3	6,965	7,637
Profit for the year before Members' remuneration and profit shares	-	5,115,447	7,363,446
Members' remuneration charged as an expense		-	-
Total Comprehensive Income for the year available for discretionary division among Members	-	5,115,447	7,363,446

The notes on pages 12 to 14 form part of these financial statements

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

at 31 December 2016

	Notes	2016	2015
		£	£
Current assets			
Debtors	6	3,139,766	3,692,568
Cash at bank		2,880,900	3,702,702
	-	6,020,666	7,395,270
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	(2,098,177)	(2,704,751)
Net current assets	-	3,922,489	4,690,519
The courter assets		0,322,403	4,000,010
Net assets attributable to Members	- -	3,922,489	4,690,519
Represented by:			
Loans and other debts due to Members within one year			
Members' capital classified as a liability		1,000	-
Other amounts		1,050,936	1,645,452
	-	1,051,936	1,645,452
Members' other interests  Members' capital classified as equity		1,000,000	1,001,000
Members' other interests - other reserves classified as equity	1	1,870,553	2,044,067
	_	2,870,553	3,045,067
Total Members' interest			_
Loans and other debts due to Members within one year		1,051,936	1,645,452
Members' other interests		2,870,553	3,045,067
	-		4,690,519

These financial statements were approved by the Members on 25 April 2017 and were signed on their behalf by:

Chief Operating Officer

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY at 31 December 2016

Balance at 1 January 2016
Profit for the year available for discretionary division among Members
Other divisions of profits
Reclassification of Members' Capital (2)
Drawings
Balance at 31 December 2016

Total	Debt								
Members Interest	Total	Other amounts	Loans and oth Members' Capital (classified as debt) (1)	Total	Other Other Reserves	Members' Capital (classified as equity) (1)			
1	£	£	£	£	£	£			
4,690,519	1,645,452	1,645,452	-	3,045,067	2,044,067	1,001,000			
5,115,447	-	-	-	5,115,447	5,115,447	-			
	5,288,961	5,288,961	-	(5,288,961)	(5,288,961)	-			
	1,000	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	(1,000)			
(5,883,477	(5,883,477)	(5,883,477)	-	-	-	-			
3,922,489	1,051,936	1,050,936	1,000	2,870,553	1,870,553	1,000,000			

<sup>(1)</sup> Members' Capital (classified as equity) represents Members' C' Capital of £1,000,000. Members Capital (classified as debt) represents Members' A' Capital of £1,000.

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<sup>(2)</sup> Members' 'A' Capital reclassified as debt.

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY at 31 December 2015

Balance at 1 January 2015
Profit for the year available for discretionary division among Members
Other divisions of profits
Transfer to Members' Capital (classified as equity)
Drawings
Balance at 31 December 2015

Tota		Debt			Equity	
Members	Loans and other debts due to Members		Loans and ot	ts	ers Other Interes	Membe
Interest	Total	Other amounts	Members' Capital (classified as debt)	Total	Other Reserves	Members' Capital (classified as equity) (1)
	£	£	£	£	£	£
4,134,251	984,328	984,328	-	3,149,923	2,573,923	576,000
7,363,446	-	-	· -	7,363,446	7,363,446	-
	7,468,302	7,468,302	-	(7,468,302)	(7,468,302)	-
	-	-	-	-	(425,000)	425,000
(6,807,178	(6,807,178)	(6,807,178)	-	-	-	-
4,690,519	<b>1,645,452</b>	1,645,452		3,045,067	2,044,067	1,001,000

<sup>(1)</sup> Members' Capital (classified as equity) of £1,001,000 (2014: £576,000) represents Members' 'A' Capital of £1,000 (2014: £1,000), and Members' 'C' Capital of £1,000,000 (2014: £575,000).

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# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the year ended 31 December 2016

Tor the year ended 31 December 2016			
	Notes	2016 £	2015 £
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Net cash flow from operating activities	8	5,054,710	6,570,759
Cash flows from investing activities		• •	
Interest received		6,965	· 7,637
Net cash flows from investing activities	-	6,965	7,637
Transactions with Members			
Drawings		(5,883,477)	(6,807,178)
Net cash flows from transactions with Members	_	(5,883,477)	(6,807,178)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	-	(821,802)	( 228,782)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January		3,702,702	3,931,484
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	-	2,880,900	3,702,702
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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 December 2016

### 1. Accounting Policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the LLP's financial statements:

### Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard* applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102") and the Limited Liability Partnerships Act 2000. The financial statements have also been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) for Limited Liability Partnerships issued by the Consultative Committee of Accountancy Bodies in July 2014.

### Turnover

Turnover comprises amounts derived from the provision of investment management and advisory services.

Included in turnover is management, secretarial and transaction fee income which is recognised on an accruals basis. Performance fees are recognised in the period when they crystallise.

### **Expenses**

Expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis.

#### **Taxation**

Taxation for the LLP, being the individual liability of each Member, is not provided for in the accounts.

### Allocation of profits and losses

The profits and losses of the LLP are allocated among the Members in accordance with the LLP Deed.

### Loans and other debts due to Members

Loans and other debts due to Members include profits which have been allocated to Members and are capable of being withdrawn by such Members, but remain unpaid at the year end.

### 2. Turnover

	2016	2015
	£	£
Included in turnover are:		
Management, secretarial and performance fees	9,663,310	11,203,796
Transaction fees	733,498	1,149,247
Other	218,853	-
	10,615,661	12,353,043

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

### 3. Other interest receivable and similar income

		2016 £	2015 £
	Interest income - bank	6,965	7,637
		6,965	7,637
4.	Operating profit for the year		
		2016	2015
	Operating profit for the year is stated after charging:	£	£
	Auditor's remuneration: Audit of these financial statements Other services pursuant to legislation	27,500 8,500	27,500 6,000

### 5. Members' remuneration and profit share

The average number of Members in the year ended 31 December 2016 was 15 (2015: 16).

The total profit share of the highest paid Member in the year, including remuneration, was £1m (2015: £1.1m).

### 6. Debtors

		2016	2015
		£	£
-	Trade debtors	272,268	1,319,458
F	Prepayments and accrued income	2,103,052	2,266,261
/	Amounts owed by associated undertaking	717,752	88,666
(	Other debtors	46,694	18,183
		3,139,766	3,692,568
7. (	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
		2016	2015
		£	£
-	Trade creditors	-	20,354
1	Accruals	279,007	157,783
- /	Amounts owed to associated undertaking	1,797,776	2,500,000
'	VAT payable	21,394	26,614
		2,098,177	2,704,751

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**

### 8. Reconciliation of operating profits to operating cash flows

	2016 £	2015 £
Operating profit Adjustments for:	5,108,482	7,355,809
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	552,802	(1,036,524)
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(606,574)	251,474
Net cash inflow from operating activities	5,054,710	6,570,759

### 9. Related party transactions

During the year the LLP was charged a facilities and services fee of £646,328 (2015: £nil) by Livingbridge Services Limited, a related entity. In addition to the payment of this fee, the LLP paid Livingbridge Services Limited an amount of £713,672 to fund future expenses. At 31 December 2016 an additional amount of £4,080 was due from Livingbridge Services Limited.

During the year the LLP was charged a facilities and services fee of £4,019,000 (2015: £4,000,000) by Livingbridge EP LLP, a related entity, of which £1,769,000 was due at year end (2015: £2,500,000 due at year end).

At 31 December 2016 an additional amount of £28,776 was due to Livingbridge EP LLP (2015: £88,666 receivable from Livingbridge EP LLP).

Total compensation of key management personnel in the year amounts to £5,883,477 (2015: £6,807,178).