

# Row & Company Limited

## *Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2022*



Company Registration No. SC017727

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ROW & COMPANY LIMITED

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# **Annual Report and Financial Statements**

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# Strategic Report

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Row & Company Limited

## Principal Activities

Row & Company Limited (the “company”), a wholly owned subsidiary of Edrington Distillers Limited, is principally engaged in the blending, bottling and supply of scotch whisky.

Edrington Distillers Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Edrington Group Limited (the “group”), a company registered in Scotland.

## Market Context

The financial results presented come in the context of a recovery in the global premium spirits market and our performance has benefitted from a continued investment in our people, brands, and capabilities.

In response to the invasion of Ukraine the group suspended shipments to Russia and continues to monitor the situation carefully. Our thoughts are with all those displaced and suffering because of this crisis. Through our Giving More Together initiative, we committed to supporting our employees worldwide in their efforts to help international humanitarian charities.

## Strategic Focus

Following Edrington Distillers Limited's acquisition and 100% ownership of the company in the prior year, our sales mix has shifted from primarily selling cased scotch whisky products in the French market to trading bulk whisky stock with commercial customers. The change in product mix for the financial year 2022 significantly improved gross margin to 39% (2021: 16%).

## Principal risks and uncertainties

The board of The Edrington Group Limited, of which the company is a member, discharges its responsibility for risk management and internal control systems. The responsibility for risk management and internal control systems resides with The Edrington Group Limited board, with a framework to support the process for identifying, evaluating, and managing financial and non-financial risks. The Audit Committee is responsible for the direct oversight of the Group Risk Management Committee and their internal control and assurance function.

Robust risk management drives improved commercial decisions and enables the business to deliver our strategy and growth ambition with resilience. Our risk management processes focus on protecting and enhancing value, maximising the benefits from new opportunities whilst safeguarding our reputation and balancing the risks with potential return.

The board regularly reviews the principal risks facing the company including those that would impact its business model, future performance and solvency. A full review and assessment of principal risks was carried out in September 2021 and reviewed in February 2022 to help update the principal risks. These reviews allow the board to assess the company's risk appetite and ensure that the nature and extent of the significant risks facing the business are identified and adequately managed.

In line with best practice, the assessment includes a review of the impact and likelihood of each risk, together with the controls in place to mitigate the risk. Given the fast-evolving nature of the company's operating environment and external factors, the review of principal risks is performed by both the Executive Committee and the Board on an annual basis, and specific risk reviews are carried out on a quarterly basis at both the Audit Committee and the Group Risk Management Committee.

## Strategic Report (continued)

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### Principal risks and uncertainties (continued)

Risk categories are predominantly macroeconomic or operational in nature. Macroeconomic risks relate to the external environment and the international markets in which Edrington operates, over which the company has less control. Operational risks include issues such as product quality, supply chain, or failure in business technology. The environment in which the company operates is constantly evolving, so the company remains vigilant to be sure that new and emerging risks are identified and assessed on a timely basis, and that appropriate actions are taken where possible to mitigate the impact of these risks on the business.

The ongoing impact of the Covid-19 outbreak and the impact of the Russia/Ukraine conflict have resulted in several of the previously identified risks materialising simultaneously. These included increased financial risks, raw material scarcity and disruption to supply chain operations. The company was able to react promptly and apply the necessary mitigating actions to protect our people and our operations. Measures required to respond to these challenges continue to be monitored closely.

During the year, the Audit Committee reviewed reports received from the internal audit teams. These have allowed the committee to assess the general control environment, identify control weaknesses and quantify associated risks.

The system of internal controls is designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives and can only therefore provide reasonable assurance against material misstatement or loss. It is continuously reviewed to ensure it remains robust and embedded in business processes to enable the company to continuously address its relevant business risks.

### Key performance indicators

The key performance indicators used by the company to measure and assess performance are explained below.

#### Turnover

Turnover has increased by 25% to £2.1m, driven by increased sales in bulk maturing stock. This was partially offset by a reduction in turnover from cased goods.

#### Profit before tax

Profit before tax of £0.8m is 202% higher than 2021 due to the higher turnover from non-cased goods.

#### Profit for the financial year

Profit for the financial year of £0.6m is 183% higher than 2021, with the increased turnover for the year being partially offset by an increased tax charge.

Approved and signed by order of the Board



P. Hyde  
Director  
31 August 2022

# Directors' Report

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The directors present annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022.

## Results for the year

The company's financial results which are detailed in the income statement on page 9, cover the year to 31 March 2022.

The profit for the year after taxation attributable to the company was £0.6m (2021: £0.2m). No dividends were paid or proposed in the current year (2021: £nil).

The financial position and liquidity of the company remains strong with shareholders' funds of £15.4m (2021: £14.7m).

## View of future prospects

We consider that the wider business is well-equipped to respond to changes in both consumer preferences and channels through which spirits are sold. Fundamentally the wider business capabilities are strong, scotch whisky remains a desirable category for customers, and we are confident that we have a solid basis for future revenues.

## Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting (SECR)

The SECR disclosures relating to the company are included within the SECR disclosures made in the annual report of The Edrington Group Limited. The company has taken advantage of the exception from the requirement to make SECR disclosures in these financial statements.

## Directors

The following directors held office during the year and as at date of signing:

J.M. Chaplin  
M.A. Fabris (resigned 15 April 2021)  
P.A. Hyde (appointed 15 April 2021)

## Directors' responsibilities statement

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

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law), including FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework". 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 and profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

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

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

The directors confirm that:

- so far as each director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware; and
- the directors 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 the company's auditor is aware of that information.

## Directors' Report (continued)

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### Going concern

To assess the appropriateness of adopting going concern basis for the group and company, the directors have reviewed the strategic and financial plan together with the potential impact of the Russia/Ukraine conflict and the continuing impact that COVID-19 will have on performance for the next two years. The results of these assessments were reviewed considering the financial position of the group and company at signing date, the cost and cash mitigation measures available, and access to ongoing funding facilities.

The Edrington Group Limited has provided a letter of financial support to the company which together with the forecasts indicate, to the Directors' satisfaction, that the company has resources more than sufficient to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and therefore it is appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

### Financial risk management

Details of how the company manages financial risk and uncertainty is detailed within the "Principal Risks and Uncertainties" section of the Strategic Report on page 2.

### Auditor

As auditors are now deemed, under section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006, to be reappointed automatically, Deloitte LLP, having expressed their willingness, will, continue as statutory auditor.

Approved by the board of directors and signed by order of the board



P. Hyde  
Director  
31 August 2022

# Independent Auditor's Report

ROW & COMPANY LIMITED

## Report on the audit of the financial statements

### Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements of Row & Company Limited (the 'company'):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2022 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, including Financial Reporting Standard 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework"; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements which comprise:

- the income statement;
- the statement of comprehensive income;
- the statement of financial position;
- the statement of changes in equity;
- the accounting policies; and
- the related notes 1 to 14.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

### 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 company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the Financial Reporting Council's (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 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 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.

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.

# Independent Auditor's Report (continued)

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## Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement, 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.

## 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.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditor's report.

## Extent to which 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 material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below.

We considered the nature of the company's industry and its control environment, and reviewed the company's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to fraud and compliance with laws and regulations. We also enquired of management about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities.

We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework that the company operates in, and identified the key laws and regulations that:

- had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. These included UK Companies Act, pensions legislation and tax legislation; and
- do not have a direct effect on the financial statements but compliance with which may be fundamental to the company's ability to operate or to avoid a material penalty.

We discussed among the audit engagement team regarding the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud and how and where fraud might occur in the financial statements.

As a result of performing the above we identified the greatest potential for fraud in the following area, and our specific procedures performed to address it are described below:

- Revenue recognition cut-off risk: Due to the complexity of delivery arrangements there exists a risk that revenue is recognised in the incorrect accounting period. As part of our audit procedures, we selected a sample of invoices from the period immediately preceding the year end date, and agreed to the relevant supporting documentation to verify that revenue had been recognised in the correct accounting period.

In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are also required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override. In addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, we tested the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments; assessed whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias; and evaluated the business rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.

In addition to the above, our procedures to respond to the risks identified included the following:

- reviewing financial statement disclosures by testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with provisions of relevant laws and regulations described as having a direct effect on the financial statements;
- performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud;
- enquiring of management and in-house legal counsel concerning actual and potential litigation and claims, and instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations; and
- reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance.

## Independent Auditor's Report (continued)

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### Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

#### 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 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.

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified any material misstatements in the strategic report or the directors' report.

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

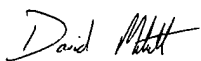
Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report in respect of the following matters if, in our opinion:

- 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
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



David Mitchell, CA (Senior statutory auditor)  
For and on behalf of Deloitte LLP  
Statutory Auditor  
Glasgow, UK  
5 September 2022

# Income statement

For the year ended 31 March 2022

Row & Company Limited

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Revenue	1	2,125,795	1,706,840
Cost of sales		(1,305,863)	(1,436,167)
Gross profit		819,932	270,673
Other administrative cost		(816)	(2,206)
Operating profit	2	819,116	268,467
Finance cost	3	(3,274)	-
Finance Income	3	1,236	1,983
<b>Profit before taxation</b>		<b>817,078</b>	<b>270,450</b>
Taxation	4	(196,865)	(51,484)
<b>Profit for the financial year</b>		<b>620,213</b>	<b>218,966</b>

There was no other comprehensive income for the year to 31 March 2022 or the prior year hence no other comprehensive income statement has been prepared.

The accounting policies and notes on pages 12 to 22 form an integral part of these financial statements.

# Statement of financial position

As at 31 March 2022

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	Note	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>Non-current</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	5	229,276	288,853
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<u>229,276</u>	<u>288,853</u>
<b>Current</b>			
Inventory	6	13,184,927	13,186,365
Trade and other receivables	7	383,339	748,779
Cash and cash equivalents	12	2,183,214	1,172,924
<b>Total current assets</b>		<u>15,751,480</u>	<u>15,108,068</u>
<b>Total assets</b>		<u>15,980,756</u>	<u>15,396,921</u>
<b>Equity &amp; Liabilities</b>			
<b>Equity</b>			
Called-up share capital	10	5,600,000	5,600,000
Retained Earnings		9,762,372	9,142,159
<b>Total equity</b>		<u>15,362,372</u>	<u>14,742,159</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Non-Current</b>			
Deferred tax liability	9	173,415	146,227
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<u>173,415</u>	<u>146,227</u>
<b>Current</b>			
Current tax liability	9	169,677	38,349
Trade and other payables	8	275,292	470,186
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<u>444,969</u>	<u>508,535</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<u>618,384</u>	<u>654,762</u>
<b>Total equity and liabilities</b>		<u>15,980,756</u>	<u>15,396,921</u>

The accounting policies and notes on pages 12 to 22 form an integral part of these financial statements.

The financial statements of the company (registered number SC017727) were approved by the directors on 31 August 2022 and signed on behalf of the board by



P. Hyde  
Director  
31 August 2022

## Statement of changes in equity

Year ended 31 March 2022

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	Share capital £	Retained earnings £	Total equity £
<b>Balance at 1 April 2021</b>	5,600,000	9,142,159	14,742,159
Profit for the year	-	620,213	620,213
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	620,213	620,213
<b>Balance at 31 March 2022</b>	<b>5,600,000</b>	<b>9,762,372</b>	<b>15,362,372</b>

	Share capital £	Retained earnings £	Total equity £
<b>Balance at 1 April 2020</b>	5,600,000	8,923,193	14,523,193
Profit for the year	-	218,966	218,966
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	218,966	218,966
<b>Balance at 31 March 2021</b>	<b>5,600,000</b>	<b>9,142,159</b>	<b>14,742,159</b>

The accounting policies and notes on pages 12 to 22 form an integral part of these financial statements.

## Accounting policies

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

### Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, under the historical cost convention as modified by financial instruments recognised at fair value and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, with the company reporting under Financial Reporting Standard 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework".

Row & Company Limited is a private company limited by shares which is incorporated in the United Kingdom under the Companies Act 2006 and registered in Scotland. The financial statements are presented in sterling and all values are to the nearest £ except where otherwise stated.

The principal activities of the company and the nature of its operations are set out in the strategic report on pages 2 to 3.

### Adoption of new and revised standards

At the date of authorisation of these financial statements, the following Standards and Interpretations were newly in effect:

Standard	Scope
• IFRS 17 (Including the June 2020 amendment)	Insurance contracts
• Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28	Sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture
• Amendment to IAS 1	Classification of liabilities as current or non-current
• Amendment to IFRS 3	Reference to the Conceptual Framework
• Amendment to IAS 16	Property, plant and equipment – proceeds before intended use
• Amendment to IAS 37	Onerous Contracts – cost of fulfilling a contract
• Annual improvements to IFRS Standards (2018-20)	Amendment to IFRS 1 First-time adoption of international financial reporting standards, IFRS 9 Financial Instruments, IFRS 16 Leases and IAS 41 Agriculture
• Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practical Statement 2	Disclosure of accounting policies
• Amendment to IAS 8	Definition of accounting estimates

In the current year, the Company, has applied the amendments to paragraphs 69 to 76 of IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements (issued by the IASB in January 2020). The amendments specify the requirements for classifying liabilities as current or non-current.

The amendments clarify that the classification of liabilities as current or non-current should be based on rights which have substance and that are in existence at the end of the reporting period.

The company has implemented the amendments to IAS 1 from 1 April 2021 and applied the updates retrospectively, under which the prior year balances have been restated in accordance with IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors. The adoption of the amendments has resulted in a reclassification of loans to group undertakings from current assets to non-current assets.

The directors do not expect that the adoption of the Standards listed above will have a material impact on the financial statements of the company in future period.

## Accounting policies (continued)

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### Disclosure exemptions adopted

In preparing these financial statements the company has taken advantage of certain disclosure exemptions conferred by FRS 101.

Therefore these financial statements do not include:

- a statement of cash flows and related notes;
- the requirement of IAS 24 related party disclosures to disclose related party transactions entered into between two or more members of The Edrington Group as they are wholly-owned within The Edrington Group;
- disclosure of key management personnel compensation;
- capital management disclosures;
- certain share based payments disclosures; and
- certain disclosures in respect of financial instruments.

### Revenue recognition

Revenue comprises the sale of goods from contracts with customers. Revenue is measured at the fair value of consideration received or receivable, excluding sales tax, and reduced by any rebates and trade discounts allowed. The sale of goods are recognised depending upon individual customer terms based on the point at which the transfer of control is deemed to have been made. For most customers this is the point at which the goods are transported onto the ship for delivery but it can differ for some customers. Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is highly probable that a material reversal will not occur and at the value the company expects to be entitled.

### Taxation

Income tax expense comprises current and deferred tax. It is recognised in the income statement except to the extent that it relates to a business combination, or items recognised directly in equity or other comprehensive income.

#### Current Tax

Current tax comprises the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the year and any adjustment to the tax payable or receivable in respect of previous years. Taxable income differs from the profit before tax reported in the income statement because of items of income/expense which are taxable/deductible in other years ("temporary differences") and items that are never taxable/deductible ("permanent differences"). Current tax is measured using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date.

#### Deferred Tax

Deferred tax is recognised on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are generally recognised for all deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which those deductible temporary differences can be utilised.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries and associates, and interest in joint ventures, except where the company is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax liabilities and assets are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period in which the liability is settled or the asset realised, based on tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

The measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflect the tax consequences that would follow for the manner in which the group expects, at the reporting date, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

### Inventories

Inventory is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is defined as the production cost (including distillery overheads) or purchase price, as appropriate, plus carrying costs such as depreciation, warehousing rent and freight but excluding interest. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price, less the estimated costs of completion and selling. Provision is made for obsolete and slow-moving items where appropriate.

## Accounting policies(continued)

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### Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment is stated at cost net of depreciation and any provision for impairment. Depreciation of casks has been calculated on a straight-line basis by reference to their useful life. The principal rate used for this purpose is 5%.

### Financial instruments

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

Where the contractual obligations of financial instruments (including share capital) are equivalent to a similar debt instrument, those financial instruments are classed as financial liabilities. Financial liabilities are presented as such in the balance sheet. Finance costs and gains or losses relating to financial liabilities are included in the income statement. Finance costs are calculated so as to produce a constant rate of return on the outstanding liability.

When the contractual terms of share capital do not have any terms meeting the definition of a financial liability then this is classed as an equity instrument. Dividends and contributions relating to equity instruments are debited direct to equity.

The company classifies its financial assets and liabilities into the following categories: amortised cost and cash and cash equivalents.

#### Amortised Cost

Financial assets measured at amortised cost, are assets held for the purpose of collecting contractual cash flows where the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise to cash flows, on specific date, that are solely payments of principal and/or principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Trade and other receivables are recognised initially at the transaction price. Subsequent to initial recognition they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less an allowance for expected credit loss (ECL), where applicable. The amount of the ECL is updated at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition of the receivable. The ECL on financial assets is estimated using a provision matrix by reference to past default experience and an analysis of current financial position, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors, general economic conditions and an assessment of both the current as well as the forecast direction of conditions at the reporting date. The company only writes off trade receivables when there is information that the debtor is in financial distress (liquidation or bankruptcy) and there is no prospect of recovery.

The carrying amount of the asset is reduced by the allowance for ECL and the amount of the loss is recognised in the income statement within cost of sales.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash comprises cash in hand and deposits repayable on demand, less overdrafts payable on demand. Cash equivalents are current asset investments which are disposable without curtailing or disrupting the business and are either readily convertible into known amounts of cash at or close to their carrying values or traded in an active market. Cash equivalents comprise term deposits of less than one year (other than cash) and loans from group undertakings which are repayable on demand.

### Going concern

A full assessment of the appropriateness of the going concern method of preparation has been included in the Directors' Report. The company is reliant on the full going concern review carried out by its ultimate parent company, The Edrington Group Limited, which annually forecasts future trading performance and cash flow in order to assess that the going concern assumption remains appropriate for the preparation of the financial statements. The forecast reflects the challenges and growth potential faced by the group and indicates that it has resources more than sufficient to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future.

The Edrington Group Limited has provided a letter of financial support to the company which together with the forecasts indicate, to the Directors' satisfaction, that the company has resources more than sufficient to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and therefore it is appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

## **Accounting policies(continued)**

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### **Retained earnings**

Retained earnings reflect the company's accumulated earnings less dividends paid and payable.

### **Estimation uncertainty and significant judgements**

In the application of the company's accounting policies, the directors are required to make judgements (other than those involving estimations) that have a significant impact on the amounts recognised and to make estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

There is no estimation uncertainty or significant areas of judgement which have had an effect on the carrying value of assets and liabilities.

# Notes to the financial statements

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## 1. Revenue

All sales of cased goods are to European markets.

	2022 £	2021 £
Sale of cased goods	620,825	1,182,125
Sale of non-cased goods	1,504,970	524,715
<b>Total revenue</b>	<b>2,125,795</b>	<b>1,706,840</b>

## 2. Operating profit

Operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting):	2022 £	2021 £
Audit fees for the audit of the financial statements	9,660	9,283
Inventory charged to income statement	868,412	435,768
Depreciation on tangible fixed assets	100,201	36,767
Gain on the sale of tangible fixed assets	(1,351)	(3,648)

Wages and salaries are borne by Edrington Distillers Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of The Edrington Group Limited.

None of the directors were remunerated by Row & Company Limited in either the current or prior financial year. The Directors, who served during the year, are all employed by associated companies within The Edrington Group Limited and no portion of their remuneration can be specifically attributed to their services to the company. Details of total Directors' remuneration are available in note 6 of the group accounts, which are available to the public as set out in note 14.

There were no non-audit fees in the current or prior years.

The depreciation charge noted above is different from that shown in note 5 of the financial statements, as the current year's cask and warehouse depreciation charge is added to the stocks of scotch whisky and is not released to the income statement until the relevant stock is sold.

## 3. Finance income and finance cost

	2022 £	2021 £
Other interest payable	(3,274)	-
<b>Total finance cost</b>	<b>(3,274)</b>	<b>-</b>
Group interest receivable	1,236	1,983
<b>Total finance income</b>	<b>1,236</b>	<b>1,983</b>

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### 4. Taxation

The tax charge for the year is made up as follows:

	2022 £	2021 £
Current tax:		
Current tax on profits for the year	169,677	52,299
Adjustment in respect of prior years	-	(1,819)
<b>Total current tax</b>	<b>169,677</b>	<b>50,480</b>
Deferred tax:		
Current tax	(14,432)	(914)
Adjustment in respect of prior years	-	1,918
Effect of changes in tax rate	41,620	-
<b>Total deferred tax</b>	<b>27,188</b>	<b>1,004</b>
<b>Total tax</b>	<b>196,865</b>	<b>51,484</b>

### Factors affecting the current tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year differs from the standard rate of current tax in the UK of 19% (2021: 19%). The differences are explained below.

	2022 £	2021 £
Profit before tax	817,078	270,450
Tax on profit at standard UK tax rate of 19% (2021: 19%)	155,245	51,385
Effect of:		
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of prior periods	-	99
Differences in tax rates	41,620	-
<b>Total tax charge</b>	<b>196,865</b>	<b>51,484</b>

### UK corporation tax rate changes

An increase in the UK corporation tax rate from 19% to 25% (effective 1 April 2023) was substantively enacted on 24 May 2021. This will increase the UK company's future current tax charge accordingly.

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### 5. Property, plant and equipment

	Casks £
Cost	
At 1 April 2021	2,919,580
Disposal	(6,084)
<b>At 31 March 2022</b>	<b>2,913,496</b>
Depreciation	
At 1 April 2021	(2,630,727)
Charge for year	(59,133)
Disposal	5,640
<b>At 31 March 2022</b>	<b>(2,684,220)</b>
<b>Net Book Value at 31 March 2022</b>	<b>229,276</b>
Net Book Value at 31 March 2021	288,853

### 6. Inventory

	2022 £	2021 £
Scotch whisky	13,117,624	13,130,538
Finished goods	67,303	55,827
	<b>13,184,927</b>	<b>13,186,365</b>

### 7. Trade and other receivables

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade receivables	348,114	743,022
Amounts owed by Edrington group undertakings	35,225	3,085
Other receivables	-	2,672
	<b>383,339</b>	<b>748,779</b>

Amounts owed by group undertakings are non interest bearing, unsecured and repayable on demand.

Credit terms vary across markets from cash in advance to 180 days and reflect customary practice within markets. In certain markets credit insurance reduces or eliminates the risk and this has been reflected within the expected credit loss calculation (ECL).

No interest is charged on outstanding trade receivables.

The company always measures the loss allowance for trade receivables at an amount equal to lifetime ECL. The expected credit loss on trade receivables are estimated using a provision matrix by reference to past default experience on the debtor and an analysis of the debtor's current financial position, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors, general economic conditions and an assessment of both the current as well as the forecast direction of conditions at the reporting date.

The company has no recognised aggregated loss allowances in the current year or prior year.

The company only writes off trade receivables when there is information that the debtor is in financial distress (liquidation or bankruptcy) and there is no prospect of recovery.

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### 7. Trade and other receivables (continued)

The following table details the risk profile of the trade receivables based on the company's provision matrix:

31 March 2022	Trade receivables – days past due					
	Not past due	<30	31-60	61-90	>90	Total
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Expected credit loss rate	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Expected total gross carrying amount at default	0.0	0.0	52,090	0.0	296,024	348,114
Lifetime ECL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

31 March 2021	Trade receivables – days past due					
	Not past due	<30	31-60	61-90	>90	Total
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Expected credit loss rate	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Expected total gross carrying amount at default	671,046	71,976	0.0	0.0	0.0	743,022
Lifetime ECL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

The company has not recognised a loss allowance on intercompany loans on the basis that the counterparties to the loans have access to sufficient funds via a committed revolving credit facility.

### 8. Trade and other payables

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade payables	1,536	246
Amounts owed to Edrington group undertakings	67,303	295,298
Accruals	206,453	174,642
	<u>275,292</u>	<u>470,186</u>

The carrying amount of trade and other payables approximates to their fair value. Trade payables and amounts owned by group undertakings are non-interest bearing, unsecured and repayable on demand.

### 9. Tax liability

	2022	2021
	£	£
Current tax liability		
Corporation tax	-	38,349
Group relief creditor	169,677	-
	<u>169,677</u>	<u>38,349</u>

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### 9. Tax liability (continued)

Deferred tax liability	Accelerated capital allowances £m	Other timing differences £m	Total £m
At 1 April 2020	20,579	124,644	145,223
Reallocation of opening balance	14,127	(14,127)	-
Charge to income statement	(4,328)	5,332	1,004
<b>At 1 April 2021</b>	<b>30,378</b>	<b>115,849</b>	<b>146,227</b>
Charge to income statement (note 4)	871	26,317	27,188
<b>At 31 March 2022</b>	<b>31,249</b>	<b>142,166</b>	<b>173,415</b>

### UK corporation tax rate changes

An increase in the UK corporation tax rate from 19% to 25% (effective 1 April 2023) was substantively enacted on 24 May 2021. This will increase the UK companies' future current tax charge accordingly. The deferred tax assets/liabilities at 31 March 2022 have been calculated based on these rates, reflecting the expected timing reversal of the related temporary differences (2021: 19%).

### 10. Share capital

Authorised, Called-up, allotted and fully paid

At 31 March 2022 and 2021	No.	£
"A" Ordinary shares of £1 each	2,800,000	2,800,000
"B" Ordinary shares of £1 each	2,800,000	2,800,000
	<b>5,600,000</b>	<b>5,600,000</b>

The "A" and "B" ordinary shares carry equal rights and rank pari passu.

### 11. Related party transactions

In the prior financial year, the company sold goods amounting to £1,189,838 to ITM Alimentaire International S.A.S.U, a member of the ITM Enterprises S.A.S group. ITM Alimentaire International S.A.S.U ceased to be related at the end of the reporting period to 31 March 2021.

The company has purchased goods from Edrington Distillers Limited amounting to £878,094 (2021: £1,303,373) and has received interest on an intercompany loan to that business of £1,236 (2021: £1,983). Balances outstanding at 31 March 2022 are disclosed in notes 7 and 8. Movements in intercompany loans are disclosed in note 13.

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### 12. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	At 1 April 2021 £	Cash Flows £	At 31 March 2022 £
Bank	94,924	210,290	305,214
Loan to Edrington group undertakings	1,078,000	800,000	1,878,000
	<u>1,172,924</u>	<u>1,010,290</u>	<u>2,183,214</u>

Loans to Edrington group undertakings consist of short term deposits, usually 30 days in length with interest charged on a monthly basis at Bank of England Base Rate. The loan is readily convertible into cash without a risk of loss and is managed by the shared central treasury function to ensure the company has adequate cash available to meet its liabilities as they fall due whilst receiving an appropriate level of income for any amounts held over and above this level.

### 13. Risk Management

#### Market risk

The company's funding, liquidity and exposure to foreign currency and interest risk are managed by the treasury department within The Edrington Group Limited. The treasury department use a range of financial instruments, where appropriate, to manage the underlying risks.

#### Interest rate risk

The company currently has no external borrowings and all intercompany loans interest rates are managed internally, this is not deemed to be a significant risk.

#### Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the company. Credit risk arises on cash balances, derivative financial instruments and credit exposure to customers.

The carrying amount of financial assets represents the company's exposure to credit risk at the balance sheet date.

Credit risk is managed through application of risk management policies approved and monitored by the board. Financial credit risk is managed by limiting counterparties to major banks and financial institutions. Trade and other receivables are managed by assigning credit limits deemed appropriate for the individual customer and credit insurance is used to limit risk to 3rd party customers.

#### Capital risk

The company has 5.6 million shares in issue all of which are ordinary shares. Both the "A" and "B" shares are held by Edrington Distillers Limited, after 100% of the "B" shares were purchased from ITM Alimentaire in the year ended 31 March 2021. A and B shareholders have equal voting rights and dividend entitlements. There has been no change in share capital in the year to 31 March 2022. There are no externally imposed capital requirements on the company. The ongoing financing of the company is managed via funds generated from operations.

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### 13. Risk Management (continued)

#### Reconciliation of Financial Instruments

	31 March 2022			
	Amortised Cost £	Total £	Current £	Non- Current £
<b>Financial Assets</b>				
Trade receivables	383,339	383,339	383,339	-
Cash and Cash equivalents	<u>2,183,214</u>	<u>2,183,214</u>	<u>2,183,214</u>	-
	<u>2,566,553</u>	<u>2,566,553</u>	<u>2,566,553</u>	-
<b>Financial Liabilities</b>				
Trade and other payables	(275,292)	(275,292)	(275,292)	-
	<u>(275,292)</u>	<u>(275,292)</u>	<u>(275,292)</u>	-
	<u>2,291,261</u>	<u>2,291,261</u>	<u>2,291,261</u>	-
	31 March 2021			
	Amortised Cost £	Total £	Current £	Non- Current £
<b>Financial Assets</b>				
Trade receivables	748,779	748,779	748,779	-
Cash and Cash equivalents	<u>1,172,924</u>	<u>1,172,924</u>	<u>1,172,924</u>	-
	<u>1,921,703</u>	<u>1,921,703</u>	<u>1,921,703</u>	-
<b>Financial Liabilities</b>				
Trade and other payables	(470,186)	(470,186)	(470,186)	-
	<u>(470,186)</u>	<u>(470,186)</u>	<u>(470,186)</u>	-
	<u>1,451,517</u>	<u>1,451,517</u>	<u>1,451,517</u>	-

### 14. Control

The company's immediate parent company is Edrington Distillers Limited, whose ultimate parent company is The Edrington Group Limited which is registered in Scotland and which is ultimately controlled by The Robertson Trust, a registered charity. Copies of the group financial statements of The Edrington Group Limited, which is the largest and smallest group into which these financial statements are consolidated, are available at its registered office, 100 Queen Street, Glasgow, G1 3DN.