# The British Linen Company Limited

# Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2018

# Registered office

The Mound Edinburgh EH1 1YZ

# Registered number

SC063024

**Directors** 

P R Grant

# **Company Secretary**

Lloyds Secretaries Limited

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# **Directors' report**

For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### Principal activities and business review

The British Linen Company Limited ("the Company") is a limited company incorporated and domiciled in Scotland (registered no: SC063024).

During the year ended 31 December 2018 the Company did not trade or incur any liabilities and consequently has made neither profit nor loss.

#### **Directors**

The current directors of the Company are shown on the front cover.

There have been no changes to directors during the year or since the year end.

#### **Directors' indemnities**

Lloyds Banking Group plc ("the Group") has granted to the directors of the Company a deed of indemnity through deed poll which constituted 'qualifying third party indemnity provisions' for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006. The deed was in force during the whole of the financial year and at the date of approval of the financial statements or from the date of appointment in respect of directors who join the board of the Company during the financial year. Directors no longer in office but who served on the board of the Company at any time in the financial year have the benefit of this contract of indemnity during that period of service. The indemnity remains in force for the duration of the directors' periods of office. The deed indemnifies the directors to the maximum extent permitted by law. Deeds for existing directors are available for inspection at the registered office of Lloyds Banking Group plc. In addition, the Group has in place appropriate directors and officers liability insurance cover which was in place throughout the financial year.

On behalf of the board

P R Grant **Director** 

30th April 2019

#### **Balance sheet**

As at 31 December 2018

ASSETS Amounts due from other group undertakings	Note	2018 £'000 5,841	2017 £'000 5,841
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Total assets		5,841	5,841
EQUITY			
Share capital	3	5,000	5,000
Capital redemption reserve		841	841
Total equity		5,841	5,841

For the year ended 31 December 2018, the Company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 480 of the Companies Act 2006 (the "Act") relating to dormant companies.

#### Directors' responsibilities:

- The member has not required the Company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirement of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these financial statements.

P R Grant **Director** 

30th April. 2019

#### Notes to the financial statements

For the year ended 31 December 2018

# 1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, in compliance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and in accordance with applicable International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). There are no accounting policies where the use of assumptions and estimates are determined to be significant to the financial statements.

A Statement of comprehensive income, a Statement of changes in equity and a Cash flow statement are not presented in these financial statements as these would show £nil amounts for the current and preceding financial years.

# 2. Assets: Amounts due from other group undertakings

	2018 £'000	2017 £'000
Bank of Scotland plc	5,841	5,841

Amounts due from other group undertakings are non-interest bearing and repayable on demand. The fair value of Amounts due from other group undertakings is equal to its carrying amount. No provisions are recognised in respect of Amounts due from other group undertakings.

# 3. Share capital

	£'000	£'000
Allotted, issued and fully paid: 5,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	5,000	5,000

2018

2017

# 4. Related party transactions

The Company's immediate parent company is Bank of Scotland plc (incorporated in Scotland). The company regarded by the directors as the ultimate parent company is Lloyds Banking Group plc (incorporated in Scotland), which is also the parent undertaking of the largest group of undertakings for which group financial statements are drawn up and of which the Company is a member. Bank of Scotland plc is the parent undertaking of the smallest such group of undertakings. Copies of the Annual Report and Accounts of both companies may be obtained from Group Secretariat, Lloyds Banking Group plc, 25 Gresham Street, London, EC2V 7HN. The Lloyds Banking Group plc financial statements may be downloaded via www.lloydsbankinggroup.com.

The Company's related parties include other companies in the Lloyds Banking Group, pension schemes of the Company's ultimate parent company and the Company's key management personnel. Key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company, which is determined to be the Company's directors.

There were no transactions between the Company and key management personnel during the current or preceding year.

Key management personnel are employed by other companies in the Lloyds Banking Group and consider that their services to the Company are incidental to their other activities within the Group.

# 5. Contingent liabilities

The Group provides for potential tax liabilities that may arise on the basis of the amounts expected to be paid to tax authorities. This includes open matters where Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs ("HMRC") adopt a different interpretation and application of tax law which might lead to additional tax. The Group has an open matter in relation to a claim for group relief of losses incurred in a former Irish banking subsidiary, which ceased trading on 31 December 2010. In 2013 HMRC informed the Group that their interpretation of the UK rules, permitting the offset of such losses, denies these claims; if HMRC's position is found to be correct, management estimates that this would result in an increase in current tax liabilities of approximately £8,422 (including interest). The Group does not agree with HMRC's position and, having taken appropriate advice, does not consider that this is a case where additional tax will ultimately fall due.