Babcock Support Services Limited Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022

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Strategic report for the year ended 31 March 2022

The Directors present their Strategic report on the Company for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Principal activities

The Company operates across a number of support services contracts; facilities management, equipment support and training services to the armed forces. It further provides a range of logistic and equipment support services for the British Army and Royal Air Force. It helps customers maintain, operate and improve their estates. Typical customers are public sector organisations with complex infrastructure portfolios to service. The Company also sells employee services to other Group companies which attracts a margin on the employee costs.

Business review

		Restated"
	2022	2021
	£'000	£,000
Revenue	25,323	23,386
Loss for the financial year	(7,370)	(804)

*In the year ended 31 March 2022, the Company restated the prior year financial information. Details of the restatement are contained in note 17.

It has been a positive year for the API business where the core compressed air and gas market has been buoyant and this has been underpinned by a robust increase in volume in our valve and machinery refurbishment facility. Our unique sustainability offering Vector (reduces clients water usage) has proven to be a success in a wide variety of manufacturing industries from pharmaceuticals to dairy sectors.

The Aerocore business area has remained consistent with prior years as the company is providing services in support of Ascent, a joint venture of Babcock International and Lockheed Martin, to support the delivery of the Military Flight Training System (MFTS) programme. The contract has remained consistent with prior years, with an increase in margin mainly attributable to a reduction in management costs and staffing costs due to transfers to other areas. The company is contracted to continue to provide services to 2033.

The loss for the financial year is attributable to the provision of expected credit losses being £8.6m compared to £0.8m the year ended 31 March 2021.

The financial position of the Company has strengthened during the year ended 31 March 2022 with net assets increasing £26.9m or 8.2% on the 2021 closing position. The main driver for improvement is the reduction in the defined benefit pension liability as a result of the actuarial gain of £34.3m net of tax. The increase in cash and cash equivalents by £33.4m is predominantly a result of corporation tax refunds received of £29.4m.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The Company's ultimate controlling parent is Babcock International Group Plc. Risks are managed at a group level in accordance with the risk management framework of Babcock International Group Plc. The principal risks and uncertainties of Babcock International Group Plc are discussed in its Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The key risks and uncertainties affecting the Company are considered to be related to contractual performance and the political and regulatory environment. The Company's business is susceptible to individual contract performance. All of the Company's contracts are affected by changes in government policy, budget allocations and the changing political environment. The Directors manage this risk by meeting on a regular basis to discuss these risks.

Further discussion of these risks and uncertainties, in the context of the Group as a whole, is provided on pages 74 to 87 of the annual report of Babcock International Group PLC for the year ended 31 March 2022, which does not form part of this report.

Strategic report for the year ended 31 March 2022 (continued)

Key performance indicators

The Company's activities are managed on a divisional basis. The following financial and non-financial key performance indicators (KPIs) have been identified. These reflect the internal benchmarks that are used to measure the success of the business and strategy.

	2022	2021	
Revenue Growth from continuing operations	8.3%	4.6%	Increase in turnover for continuing operations when compared to that in the previous year. The increase reflects higher volume in the API business.
Operating Return on Turnover from continuing operations	5.9%	(7.5)%	Operating loss excluding impairment of group undertakings expressed as a percentage of turnover. Underlying business stable year on year with negative return in the prior year relating to defined benefit pension expenses.
Orderbook £m	61.4	56.2	Total value of signed contracts at the end of the year. Orderbook comprises external contracts only relating to the MFTS FW contract.

The growth and performance of Aviation, a division of Babcock International Group Plc, which includes the Company, is discussed on pages 48 to 49 of the annual report of Babcock International Group Plc for the year ended 31 March 2022, which does not form part of this report.

S172(1) statement and stakeholder engagement

This statement contains an overview of how the Directors have performed their duty to promote the success of the Company as set out in Section 172(1) of the Companies Act 2006. That section requires a director of the Company to have acted in a way that they consider, in good faith, would most likely promote the success of the Company for the benefit of the shareholders. In doing this, the director must have regard, amongst other matters to:

- a) the likely consequences of any decision in the long term,
- b) the interests of the Company's employees,
- c) the need to foster the Company's business relationships with suppliers, customers, and others,
- d) the impact of the Company's operations on the community and the environment,
- e) the desirability of the Company maintaining a reputation for high standards of business conduct, and
- f) the need to act fairly between members of the Company.

Stakeholder engagement is managed in accordance with Group policies and procedures which are discussed on pages 52, 53 and 101 of the annual report of Babcock International Group Plc for the year ended 31 March 2022, which does not form part of this report. Depending on the matter under consideration the relevance of the different factors set out in s172(1) will vary. The Board does seek to balance the interests of its different stakeholders, but, where there are competing interests, not every decision the Board has made will result in a positive outcome for all our stakeholders. However, by considering key stakeholder groups and aligning our activities with our strategic plan, as well as the Company's culture and values, we aim to act fairly, transparently and in the best interests of the Company over the long term. Stakeholder engagement in relation to key stakeholder groups includes the following:

Strategic report for the year ended 31 March 2022 (continued)

S172(1) statement and stakeholder engagement (continued)

Customers

Why they matter to us

Understanding the needs and challenges of our customers allows us to help them to succeed. We work in partnership with our customers, enabling them to deliver critical programmes and services, adding value to their operations. We seek to solve their challenges through excellent operational performance and the introduction of innovative solutions and technology to support their longer-term needs. We build and maintain long-term relationships with our customers to promote the future success of the Company.

What matters to them

- Safety
- Operational excellence
- Innovation and expertise
- Reliability
- Value for money
- Collaboration
- Deep understanding of their needs, both now and in the future
- Sustainability performance and agenda

How the Company engages

- Regular ongoing relationship engagement at all levels
- Contract negotiation and execution
- Strategic Partnership programme
- Collaboration on joint initiatives
- Attendance at key industry events
- Provision of information on sustainability goals

Strategic report for the year ended 31 March 2022 (continued)

S172(1) statement and stakeholder engagement (continued)

Suppliers

Why they matter to us

To support our business operations and strategy, we require an efficient and highly effective supply chain. This means we need to foster trusted and collaborative relationships with suppliers who share our appetite to drive improvement through innovation and best practice. Our external supply chains are an important part of our performance and, by working collaboratively with suppliers, we can ensure continuity of supply, minimise risk and bring innovative solutions to our customer. These engagement activities form part of the Group-wide Procurement Strategy as described on pages 21 and 69 – 72 of the annual report of Babcock International Group Plc for the year ended 31 March 2022.

What matters to them

- Good working relationships
- Access to opportunities
- Prompt payment and predictable supplier cash flows

How the Company engages

- Regular open and honest two-way communications
- Supplier Code of Conduct
- Supplier conferences, workshops and 'lunch and learn' sessions
- Supplier due diligence

Strategic report for the year ended 31 March 2022 (continued)

S172(1) statement and stakeholder engagement (continued)

Employees

Why they matter to us

Our success is led by our employees. We continue to strengthen our employee value proposition by enhancing our engagement and promoting an agile workplace. We are committed to creating an inclusive and diverse organisation where employees can develop their full potential. We focus on developing and supporting a truly engaged workforce, living our principles and working on shared goals, united by our common Purpose. These engagement activities form part of the Group-wide People Strategy as described on pages 19 and 63 - 66 of the annual report of Babcock International Group Plc for the year ended 31 March 2022.

What matters to them

- Remuneration and reward
- Professional development
- The Company's aims, goals, priorities and reputation
- Employee engagement
- · Health, safety and wellbeing
- An empowering culture
- · Inclusion and diversity
- Our ESG agenda
- Employee networks

How the Company engages

- Employee forums and meetings
- Global engagement platforms
- Weekly CEO and senior management vlogs
- · Access to the CEO via a dedicated email
- Weekly global news round-up videos
- Regular internal updates
- Cascade briefings
- A dedicated onboarding app
- · Apprentice and Graduate programmes
- Regular training
- Access to independent whistleblowing process
- Senior management and board visits
- Free confidential employee support helpline

Strategic report for the year ended 31 March 2022 (continued)

Communities

Why they matter to us

We are committed to the communities in which we operate and the broader interests of the customers we serve. As good corporate citizens, we want to make a genuine difference by supporting our local communities and helping them rebuild following COVID 19. We have a responsibility to ensure that we support the communities in which we operate, both economically and socially; community engagement and social value creation is a key aspect of our ESG strategy. The Company's major sites of operation make it one of the largest employers in the local areas and it remains important for us to add value to these communities.

What matters to them

- Employment and economic contribution
- · Health, safety and wellbeing
- Engagement in local education and STEM activities
- Sustainability and the local environment
- Support for armed forces community
- · Community engagement

How the Company engages

- Sponsorship and donations
- Employee volunteering
- University partnerships
- STEM Ambassadors
- Employer of service leavers, veterans and reserves
- Engagement with local community programmes

Sustainability is an integral part of our corporate strategy and how we do business, and it underpins our corporate Purpose: to create a safe and secure world, together. We have done a lot in the past year to drive our sustainability programme across the Group, ensure progress towards our corporate commitments and deliver our five ESG priorities shown below.

- 1. We will reduce emissions and set science-based targets to get to net zero across our estate, assets, and operations by 2040.
- 2. We will integrate environmental sustainability into programme design to minimise waste and optimise resources.
- 3. We will ensure the safety and wellbeing of all our people.
- 4. We will make a positive difference to the communities we're proud to be part of and provide high-quality jobs that support local economies.
- 5. We will be a collaborative, trusted partner across the supply chain, helping to tackle common challenges.

Climate action is a key focus: we are continuing to progress our Group-wide decarbonisation programme (Plan Zero 40). Aligned with the Plan Zero 40 pathway announced last year, we commenced baselining our carbon footprint and are on track to submit carbon reduction targets to the Science-Based Targets initiative by April 2023. These are to be achieved by 2030 and will set us on course for decarbonising our estate, assets and operations to reach our overarching goal of net zero emissions by 2040. Further information is included on page 54 of the annual report of Babcock International Group Plc.

Strategic report for the year ended 31 March 2022 (continued)

S172(1) statement and stakeholder engagement (continued)

These activities form part of the Group-wide ESG Strategy as described on pages 54 – 75 of the annual report of Babcock International Group Plc for the year ended 31 March 2022.

This report was approved by the board on 21 November 2023 and signed on its behalf

Stephen Ward

UKA Finance Director

Directors report for the year ended 31 March 2022

The Directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Dividends

A dividend of £Nil representing Nil pence per ordinary share was declared and paid in the year (2021: £Nii)

Directors and their interests

The directors who held office during the year and up to the date of signing the annual report were as follows:

G Adams

N Borrett

I Urguhart (resigned 18 May 2022)

S Doherty (appointed 18 May 2022)

K Garvey (resigned 12 September 2022)

D Jones

N Misell (resigned 12 September 2022)

S Ward

The Board is not aware of any contract of significance in relation to the Company in which any Director has, or has had, a material interest.

Future developments

The existing external order book are secured across the long-term programme MFTS FW which is contracted to 2033. The Company plans to continue to support the API business and to exploit its engineering and high integrity manufacturing capabilities by continuing to develop adjacent markets in the Marine sector.

The directors are confident about the future trading prospects of the Company due to its current order book and market opportunities.

Going concern

The Company's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect it future development and financial position are set out within the Strategic and Directors report. In addition, within the Directors' Report there are details of the financial risks that the Directors have highlighted as significant to the business.

As the Company is part of a larger group it participates in the group's centralised treasury arrangements and so shares banking arrangements with it parents and fellow subsidiaries. The Company is in a net current liabilities position of £251.8m, but is not expected to settle the intercompany amounts due to parent and group undertakings until the Company has sufficient liquidity to do so and the Company has received confirmation from the other group companies these amounts are due to confirming this position. Additionally, the Company is expected to be in a position to obtain finance via intercompany loans to continue to operate for at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue and the Company has received a letter of support from Vosper Thornycroft UK Limited confirming this position. In completing this analysis, the Directors have considered the ability of Vosper Thornycroft UK Limited to provide such finance.

The Directors are not aware of any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt upon the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Thus, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

Directors report for the year ended 31 March 2022 (continued)

Financial risk management

The applicable financial risk management policies and exposure to financial risks including price, credit, liquidity and cash flows are discuss in detail on page 211 with the annual report for Babcock International Group Plc for the year ended 31 March 2022

Employment of disabled persons

Applications for employment by disabled persons are always fully considered, bearing in mind the respective aptitudes and abilities of the applicant concerned. In the event of members of staff becoming disabled, every effort is made to ensure that their employment with the Company continues and the appropriate training is arranged. It is the policy of the Company that the training, career development and promotion of a disabled person should, as far as possible, be identical to that of a person who does not suffer from a disability.

Employee involvement

Consultation with employees or their representatives has continued at all levels, with the aim of ensuring that their views are taken into account when decisions are made that are likely to affect their interests and that all employees are aware of the financial and economic performance of their business units and of the Company as a whole. Communication with all employees continues through the inhouse newspaper and newsletters, briefing groups and the distribution of the annual report.

Safety policy

The Company recognises the promotion of health and safety at work as an important objective. It is Company policy to take steps to ensure, as far as reasonably practical, the health, safety and welfare of the employees of the Company.

Research and development

The Company commits resources to research and development to the extent management considers reasonable for the evolution and development of the business.

Energy and carbon reporting

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption granted under The Companies (Directors' Report) and Limited Liability Partnerships (Energy and Carbon Report) Regulations 2018 as this information is disclosed in the annual report for the year ended 31 March 2022 of its ultimate parent, Babcock International Group Plc.

Engagement with suppliers and customers

Engagement with suppliers and customers has been considered in the Strategic Report on page 5 and 6.

Employees

The Company is committed to equal opportunities and will not discriminate on the basis of disability, age, race, colour, ethnic origin, gender, marital status, religious or political beliefs or sexual orientation.

We believe that only by encouraging applicants from the widest pool of talent possible, and then selecting the best candidate based on their ability to do the job, can we ensure we continue to deliver our best for our customers and safeguard the future of Babcock. For more information about our inclusion and diversity policy, please see pages 64 and 107 of the annual report for Babcock International Group Plc.

Engagement with UK employees has been considered on page 7 and 8 of the Strategic Report.

Environment

The Company recognises its responsibility to minimise so far as reasonably possible the potential for adverse impacts from its operations. It aims to achieve the highest standards in environmental management and seek accreditation to appropriate standards where appropriate.

The Company has developed and implemented an environmental policy to ensure that the impact of its activities on the environment is limited to the minimum practicable level.

Directors report for the year ended 31 March 2022 (continued)

Political donations

The company has made £nil (2021: £nil) contributions to political parties during the year.

Qualifying third party indemnity provisions

Babcock International Group PLC provides protections for directors of companies within the Group against personal financial exposure they may incur in their capacity as such. These include qualifying third party indemnity provisions (as defined by Companies Act 2006) for the benefit of members of Babcock International Group PLC, including, where applicable, in their capacity as a director of the Company and other companies within the Group. These indemnities came into force in 2012 and remain in force.

Post balance sheet events

There have been no significant events affecting the Company since the year end.

Statement of disclosure of information to auditors

Each director, as at the date of this report, has confirmed that in so far as they are aware there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of this information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of the s418 of the Companies Act 2006.

Appointment of auditors

At the 2022 Annual General meeting of Babcock International Group plc, the Company's ultimate parent company, Deloitte LLP were reappointed as external auditor to the group. Pursuant to section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditor will be deemed to be reappointed to the Company and Deloitte LLP will, therefore, continue in office.

This report was approved by the board on 21 November 2023 and signed on its behalf

Stephen Ward

UKA Finance Director

Statement of Directors' responsibilities

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 of the company and of the 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 judgements 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; and
- 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 are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the Company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Independent auditor's report to the members of Babcock Support Services Limited REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

OPINION

In our opinion the financial statements of Babcock Support Services 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 loss 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 related notes 1 to 21.

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.

Independent auditor's report to the members of Babcock Support Services Limited

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.

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.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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. 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 and the directors about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities, including those that are specific to the company's business sector.

Independent auditor's report to the members of Babcock Support Services Limited

EXTENT TO WHICH THE AUDIT WAS CONSIDERED CAPABLE OF DETECTING IRREGULARITIES, INCLUDING FRAUD (CONTINUED)

We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks 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 the UK Companies Act and relevant tax and pension 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 and relevant internal specialists, including tax, pension and IT specialists 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 or non-compliance with laws and regulations in the following areas, and our specific procedures performed to address them are described below:

Revenue and margin recognition on key long-term contracts with significant management judgment

- Obtaining an understanding of relevant manual and IT controls and project accounting processes which management have established to ensure that contracts are appropriately forecast, managed, challenged and accounted for;
- o Making inquiries of contract project teams and other personnel to obtain an understanding of the performance of the project throughout the year and at year-end;
- Analysing historical contract performance and understanding the reason for in-year movements or changes;
- Testing the underlying calculations used in the contract assessments for accuracy and completeness, including the estimated costs to complete the contract and associated contingencies. We considered historical forecasting accuracy of costs, compared to similar programmes, and challenged future cost expectations with reference to those data points;
- o Examining external correspondence to assess the timeframe for delivery of the product or service and any judgements made in respect of these;
- Examining external evidence to assess contract status and estimation of variable consideration (including associated recoverability of contract balances), such as customer correspondence and for certain contracts meeting with the customer directly:
- Enquiring with in-house and external legal counsel regarding contract related litigation and claims;
 and
- Considering whether there were any indicators of management override of controls or bias in arriving at their reported position.

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 and reviewing internal audit reports.

Independent auditor's report to the members of Babcock Support Services Limited

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.

Makhan Chahal FCA (Senior statutory auditor)

For and on behalf of Deloitte LLP

Statutory Auditor

Maklallaha

London, United Kingdom

21 November 2023

Income statement for the year ended 31	March 2022		
,			Restated*
		2022	2021
	Note	£'000	£'000
Revenue	4	25,323	23,386
Cost of sales		(22,528)	(21,310)
Gross profit		2,795	2,076
Administrative expenses		(1,311)	(3,485)
Provision for expected credit losses		(8,558)	(825)
Impairment of investments	12	• ·	(355)
Operating loss	5	(7,074)	(2,589)
Income from shares in group undertakings	12	-	349
Loss before interest and taxation		(7,074)	(2,240)
Finance income	6	1,409	1,943
Finance costs	6	(1,255)	(1,121)
Other finance costs – pension	16	(700)	(903)
Loss before income tax		(7,620)	(2,321)
Income tax credit	9	250	1,516
Loss for the financial year		(7,370)	(805)

The notes on pages 22 to 48 are an integral part of these financial statements.

All of the above results derive from continuing operations.

^{*}In the year ended 31 March 2022, the Company restated the prior year financial information. Details of the restatement are contained in note 17.

Statement of comprehensive income for the year e	nded 31 M	arch 2022	
		2022	Restated* 2021
	Note	£'000	£'000
Loss for the financial year		(7,370)	(805)
Other comprehensive income/(expense):			
Remeasurement of defined benefit obligation	16	41,332	(14,875)
Tax on defined benefit obligation		(7,058)	2,826
Other comprehensive income/(expense) for the year		34,274	(12,049)
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the year	_	26,904	(12,854)

^{*}In the year ended 31 March 2022, the Company restated the prior year financial information. Details of the restatement are contained in note 17.

Statement of financial position as at 31 March 2022

			Restated*
		2022	2021
	Note	£'000	£'000
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	10	157	175
Right of use assets	11	2	73
Investments in group undertakings	12	1,172	1,172
Deferred tax asset	9	3,806	10,614
Trade and other receivables	13	615,969	612,061
		621,106	624,095
Current assets			
Trade and other receivables	13	2,295	42,660
Cash and cash equivalents	70	40,820	7,415
Cush and Sush Squivalents		43,115	50,075
Current liabilities		40,110	00,070
Trade and other payables	14	(294,906)	(291,459)
Lease liabilities	11	(2)	(56)
Net current liabilities	· · · —	(251,793)	(241,440)
Net Current nabilities		(231,793)	(241,440)
Total assets less current liabilities		369,313	382,655
Non-current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	14	(250)	(250)
Lease liabilities	11	-	(20)
Retirement benefit deficits	16	(13,243)	(53,469)
Net assets		355,820	328,916
Equity			
Called up share capital	15	110	110
Share premium account	, ,	84,990	84,990
Retained earnings		270,720	243,816
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Total equity		355,820	328,916

The notes on pages 22 to 48 are an integral part of these financial statements.

*In the year ended 31 March 2022, the Company restated the prior year financial information. Details of the restatement are contained in note 17.

The financial statements on pages 18 to 48 were approved by the board of Directors on 21 November 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Stephen Ward UKA Finance Director

Statement of changes in equity as at 31 March 2022

	Called up share capital £'000	Share premium account £'000	Retained earnings (restated *) £'000	Total equity (restated*) £'000
Balance at 1 April 2020 (restated*)	110	84,990	256,670	341,770
Loss for the financial year (restated*)	-	-	(805)	(805)
Other comprehensive expense for the year (restated*)	-	-	(12,049)	(12,049)
Balance at 31 March 2021 (restated*)	110	84,990	243,816	328,916
Loss for the financial year	-	-	(7,370)	(7,370)
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	34,274	34,274
Balance at 31 March 2022	110	84,990	270,720	355,820

^{*}In the year ended 31 March 2022, the Company restated the prior year financial information. Details of the restatement are contained in note 17.

Notes to the financial statements

1 General information

Babcock Support Services Limited is a private company which is incorporated in the UK and registered in Scotland, UK. The address of the registered office is C/O Dwf Llp Sentinel, 103 Waterloo Street, Glasgow, United Kingdom, G2 7BW.

Its ultimate controlling party is disclosed in note 21. The principal activity of the Company is set out in the Strategic Report on page 3. These financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, are presented in pounds sterling and, unless stated otherwise, rounded to the nearest thousand.

2 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented.

Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework (FRS 101)'. The Company applies the recognition, measurement and disclosure requirements in accordance with the international accounting standards and FRS 101, but makes amendments where necessary in order to comply with the Companies Act 2006.

The company meets the definition of a qualifying entity under Financial Reporting Standard 100 (FRS 100) issued by the Financial Reporting Council. Accordingly, these financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 101. In preparing these financial statements, the company applies the recognition and measurement requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the UK, but makes amendments where necessary in order to comply with the Companies Act 2006 and sets out below where advantage of the FRS 101 disclosure exemptions has been taken:

- a) IFRS 7, 'Financial instruments: Disclosures'.
- b) Paragraphs 91 to 99 of IFRS 13 'Fair value measurement' (disclosure of valuation techniques and inputs used for fair value measurement of assets and liabilities).
- c) The requirements of the second sentence of paragraph 110 and paragraphs 113(a), 114, 115, 118, 119(a) to (c), 120 to 127 and 129 of IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers.
- d) The requirements of paragraph 52, the second sentence of paragraph 89, and paragraphs 58, 90, 91 and 93 of IFRS 16 Leases.
- e) Paragraph 38 of IAS 1, 'Presentation of financial statements' comparative information in respect of:
- paragraph 79(a) (iv) of IAS 1 Share capital and reserves;
- paragraph 73(e) of IAS 16 Property, plant and equipment; and
- f) Paragraphs 10(d), 10(f), 16, 38A, 38B, 38C, 38D, 40A, 40B, 40C, 40D, 111 and 134 to 136 of IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements.
- g) IAS 7, 'Statement of cash flows'
- h) Paragraph 30 and 31 of IAS 8 'Accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates and errors'.
- i) Paragraph 17 of IAS 24, 'Related party transactions' in respect of key management compensation.
- j) The requirements of IAS 24, 'Related party disclosures' to disclose related party transactions entered into between two or more members of a group.
- k) Paragraphs 130(f)(ii), 130(f)(iii), 134(d) to 134(f) and 135(c) to 135(e) of IAS 36 Impairment of Assets.

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

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Basis of preparation (continued)

The Company intends to continue to prepare its financial statements in accordance with FRS 101.

The Company is exempt under Section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 from the required to prepare consolidated financial statements as it and its subsidiary undertakings are included by full consolidation in the consolidated financial statements of its ultimate parent, Babcock International Group Plc, a company registered in England and Wales. Accordance, these financial statements present information about the Company as an individual and not as a group.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by certain financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value through profit and loss in accordance with the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the Company and rounded to the nearest £000.

Adoption of new and revised standards

The following standards and amendments to IFRSs became effective for the annual reporting period beginning on 1 April 2021 and did not have a material impact on the financial statements:

- The IFRS Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) published an agenda decision in April 2021 which clarified how a customer should account for the costs of configuring or customising the supplier's application software in a software-as-a-service arrangement. As a result of this decision the Company has revised its accounting policy and will not capitalise costs associated with software-as-a-service arrangements where it does not control the underlying software and will no longer capitalise configuration or customisation costs associated with software-as-a-Service arrangements unless those costs result in the creation of an asset controlled by the Company. Where amounts are paid to a software-as-a-service supplier for implementation services and those services are determined not to be distinct from the underlying software-as-a-service arrangement, a prepayment asset is initially recognised then amortised to expense as the services are received. This policy has been retrospectively applied and all costs capitalised in relation to software-as-a-service arrangements have been reviewed. This has not had a material impact on the financial statements. The Company will continue to apply this accounting policy to new software-as-a-service arrangements as we continue to upgrade and standardise our IT environment. As this policy requires costs to be expensed as incurred, this may lead to a higher up-front charge to the income statement in future years but will not impact on the Company's cash flows.
- Interest Rate Benchmark Reform, Phase 2 amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39, IFRS 7, IFRS 4 and IFRS 16. Adopting these amendments enables the Group to reflect the effects of transitioning from interbank offered rates to alternative benchmark interest rates without giving rise to accounting impacts that would not provide useful information to users of financial statements.

Going concern

The Company's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect it future development and financial position are set out within the Strategic and Directors report. In addition, within the Directors' Report there are details of the financial risks that the Directors have highlighted as significant to the business.

As the Company is part of a larger group it participates in the group's centralised treasury arrangements and so shares banking arrangements with it parents and fellow subsidiaries. The Company is in a net current liabilities position of £251.8m, but is not expected to settle the intercompany amounts due to parent and group undertakings until the Company has sufficient liquidity to do so and the Company has received confirmation from the other group companies these amounts are due to confirming this position. Additionally, the Company is expected to be in a position to obtain finance via intercompany loans to continue to operate for at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue and the Company has received a letter of support from Vosper Thornycroft UK Limited confirming this position. In completing this analysis, the Directors have considered the ability of Vosper Thornycroft UK Limited to provide such finance.

The Directors are not aware of any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt upon the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Thus, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Revenue

Revenue recognised represents income derived from contracts with customers for the provision of goods and services in the ordinary course of the Company's activities. The Company recognises revenue in line with IFRS 15, Revenue from Contracts with Customers. IFRS 15 requires the identification of performance obligations in contracts, determination of contract price, allocation of the contract price to the performance obligations and recognition of revenue as performance obligations are satisfied.

(a) Performance obligations

Contracts are assessed to identify each promise to transfer either a distinct good or service or a series of distinct goods or services that are substantially the same and have the same pattern of transfer to the customer. Goods and services are distinct if the customer can benefit from them either on their own or together with other resources readily available to the customer and they are separately identifiable in the contract.

In assessing whether the performance obligations are separately identifiable, the services are reviewed to determine the extent to which the goods or services within a contract are interrelated and whether they modify other goods or services within a contract. The Company also considers whether the goods and/or services are integrated and represent a combined output for which the customer has contracted.

The integrated output nature of many of the services provided by the Company results in some contracts only having one performance obligation.

(b) Determination of contract price

The contract price represents the amount of consideration which the Company expects to be entitled in exchange for delivering the promised goods or services to the customer. Contracts can include both fixed and variable consideration.

Inclusion of variable consideration in the contract price requires the exercise of judgement in relation to the amount to be received through unpriced contract variations and claims (see section (e) below for further details) and variable elements of existing contracts, such as performance-based penalties and incentives, and gain/pain share arrangements where cost under/over spends are shared with the customer. Elements of variable consideration are estimated at contract inception and at the end of each reporting period. Any required adjustment is made against the contract price in the period in which the adjustment occurs.

Variable consideration is estimated using either the expected value or the most likely amount only to the extent that it is highly probable that there will not be a reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognised. This judgement is made by suitably qualified and experienced personnel based on the contract terms, status of negotiations with customers and historical experience with customers and with similar contracts. Variable consideration may be included in the total transaction price or, in certain circumstances, may be allocated to a specific time period. Where variable consideration is allocated to a specific time period this will typically be in relation to performance related deductions.

As part of this judgement, variable consideration may be constrained. The Company recognises variable consideration only to the extent that it is highly probable that there will not be a significant reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognised when the uncertainty associated with the variable consideration is subsequently resolved.

(c) Allocation of contract price to performance obligations

Given the bespoke nature of many of the goods and services the Company provides, standalone selling prices are generally not observable and, in these circumstances, the Company allocates the contract price to performance obligations based on cost plus margin. This amount would be the standalone selling price of each performance obligation if contracted with a customer separately.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Revenue (continued)

(d) Revenue and profit recognition

Performance obligations are satisfied, and revenue recognised, as control of goods and services is transferred to the customer. Control can be transferred at a point in time or over time and the Company determines, for each performance obligation, whether it is satisfied over time or at a point in time.

Revenue recognised over time

Performance obligations are satisfied over time if any of the following criteria are satisfied:

- the customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits of the Company's performance as it performs; or
- the Company's performance does not create an asset with an alternative use to the Company and the Company has an enforceable right to payment for work done; or
- the Company's performance creates or enhances an asset controlled by the customer.

Typical performance obligations in the Company's contracts that are recognised over time include the delivery of services (such as maintenance, engineering and training), as the customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits of the Company's performance as it performs the services. Revenue from the design, manufacture and enhancement of bespoke assets is also recognised over time, as the Company's performance does not create an asset with an alternative use to the Company and the Company has an enforceable right to payment for performance completed to date, being recovery of costs incurred in satisfying the performance obligation plus a reasonable profit margin.

Where the Company satisfies performance obligations over time, the Company primarily uses an input method to measure satisfaction of each performance obligation based on costs incurred compared to total estimated contract costs. For the majority of the Company's contracts, this is deemed to be the most appropriate method to measure Babcock's effort in satisfying the applicable performance obligations. Costs are included in the measurement of progress towards satisfying the performance obligation to the extent that there is a direct relationship between the input and satisfaction of the performance obligation. For contracts where costs incurred is not deemed to be the most appropriate measure, the Company uses time elapsed to measure satisfaction of the performance obligation.

Under most of the Company's contracts, the customer pays in accordance with a pre-arranged payment schedule or once milestones have been met. If the value of the goods or services rendered by the Company exceed payments, a contract asset is recognised. If payments exceed the value of the goods or services rendered, a contract liability is recognised. See section (h) for further details on how contract assets and liabilities are recognised.

Revenue recognised at a point in time

If control of the goods or services is not transferred to the customer over time, then revenue is recognised at the point in time that control is transferred to the customer.

Point in time recognition mainly applies to sale of goods. Control typically transfers to the customer when the customer has legal title to the goods and this is usually coincident with delivery of the goods to the customer and right to receive payment by the Company.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Revenue (continued)

Assessment of contract profitability

Profit is recognised to the extent that the final outcome on contracts can be reliably assessed. Contract outturn assessments are carried out on a contract-by-contract basis, including consideration of technical and other risks, by suitably qualified and experienced personnel and the assessments of all significant contracts are subject to review and challenge.

Estimating contract revenues can involve judgements around whether the Company will meet performance targets and earn incentives, as well as consideration as to whether it is necessary to constrain variable revenues to meet the highly probable not to significantly reverse test set out in paragraph 56 of IFRS 15. When considering variations, claims and contingencies, the Company analyses various factors including the contractual terms, status of negotiations with the customer and historical experience with that customer and with similar contracts. Estimates of costs include assessment of contract contingencies arising out of technical, commercial, operational and other risks. The assessments of all significant contract outturns are subject to review and challenge and estimation uncertainty is resolved on a contract-by-contract basis as contracts near the end of the project lifecycle.

If a contract is deemed to be loss making the present obligation is recognised and measured as provisions. Further detail is included in the Provisions accounting policy.

(e) Contract modifications Claims and variations

The Company's contracts are often amended for changes in the customers' requirements. Contract modifications can relate to changes in both contract scope and price arising in the ordinary course of delivering contracts, which are referred to as contract variations. Such variations may arise as a result of customer requests or instructions or from requests from the Company in response to matters arising during the delivery of contracts. For example, some contracts include the requirement to conduct surveys and to report on or to recommend additional work as required. Some contracts may require the Company to proceed with variations and to agree pricing subsequently. See further detail on accounting for contract modifications below.

Contract modifications can also refer to changes in price only, with no change in scope, where there is a difference of view or dispute in relation to interpretation of contracts.

These contract claims and variations are considered to be modifications as referred to in paragraph 18 of IFRS 15.

Accounting for contract modifications

The Company accounts for contract modifications in one of three ways, based on the facts and circumstances of the contract modification:

- 1. Prospectively, as an additional, separate contract;
- 2. Prospectively, as a termination of the existing contract and creation of a new contract; or
- 3. As part of the original contract using a cumulative catch-up.

The Company recognises contract variations, which impact both scope and price, when they are approved in accordance with IFRS 15. The Company's preferred approach is to approve contract modifications by formal contract amendment. However, the approval of contract modifications often requires to be carried out at pace and other mechanisms, informed by established customer relationships and local working arrangements, can be used to achieve approval of contract modifications. In approving contract modifications in these circumstances, the Company considers the scope of the contract modification in the context of the contract scope and contract terms. Contract variations where the formal contract amendment has not been received but which are, in management's judgement, approved are accounted for as a contract modification in accordance with IFRS 15 paragraph 18. Revenue from these contract variations is treated as variable consideration and subject to constraint as outlined in section (b) above, until the pricing is agreed.

Contract claims are also considered to be contract modifications in accordance with IFRS 15, and revenue is subject to constraint as outlined in section (b).

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Revenue (continued)

Claims and variations which are not deemed to be contract modifications

Claims can also be raised by Babcock against third-party sub-contractors or suppliers to the Company. As these do not relate to contracts with customers, but rather relate to contracts with suppliers, they are not accounted for under IFRS 15. The Company's accounting policy is to account for such claims in accordance with the contingent asset guidance per IAS 37. Income in relation to these claims will only be recognised once it is virtually certain.

(f) Costs of obtaining a contract

Costs to obtain a contract that would have been incurred regardless of whether the contract was won or lost are recognised as an expense when incurred.

Directly attributable costs to obtain a contract with a customer that the Company would not have incurred if the contract had not been won are recognised as an asset. These costs are capitalised as an asset after the point that it can be reliably expected that a contract will be obtained. The costs are capitalised as an asset in capitalised contract costs and amortised to cost of revenue on a typically straight-line basis consistent with the transfer to the customer of the goods and services to which the asset relates, provided that the contract is expected to result in future net cash inflows.

(g) Costs to fulfil a contract

Post contract award but pre contract operational start-up costs which satisfy the criteria for capitalisation under another standard, such as property, plant and equipment (IAS 16) or intangible assets (IAS 38), are accounted for in accordance with those standards. Costs to fulfil a contract which do not fall within the scope of another standard are recognised under IFRS 15 as an asset in capitalised contract costs where they meet all of the following criteria:

- i. the costs relate directly to a contract or to an anticipated contract that can be specifically identified;
- ii. the costs generate or enhance resources of the entity that will be used in satisfying (or in continuing to satisfy) performance obligations in the future; and
- iii. the costs are expected to be recovered.

Costs of recruiting or training staff are expensed as incurred.

Capitalised contract costs are amortised to cost of revenue on a straight-line basis consistent with the transfer to the customer of the goods and services to which the asset relates.

(h) Contract assets and liabilities

Contract assets represent amounts for which the Company has a conditional right to consideration in exchange for goods or services that the Company has transferred to the customer. Contract liabilities represent the obligation to transfer goods or services to a customer for which consideration has been received, or consideration is due, from the customer.

Payment terms are set out in the contract and reflect the timing and performance of service delivery. For substantially all contracts the payment terms are broadly in line with satisfaction of performance obligations, and therefore recognition of revenue, such that each contract has either a contract asset or contract liability, however these are not overly material in the context of the contract.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment is shown at cost less subsequent depreciation and impairment, except for land, which is shown at cost less impairment. Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items. Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis to write off the cost of property, plant and equipment over the estimated useful lives to their estimated residual value (reassessed at each balance sheet date) at the following annual rates:

Lease hold property
Plant and machinery
Lease term
2 to 15 years

Property, plant and equipment is reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the fixed asset may not be recoverable. An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount exceeds the higher of an asset's fair value less cost to sell or value in use.

Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

Impairment of non-current assets

Goodwill and indefinite life intangibles are reviewed for impairment at least annually. For all other non-financial non-current assets (including acquired intangible assets, capitalised development costs, software assets, property, plant and equipment and right of use assets) the Company performs impairment testing where indicators of impairment are identified. Impairment testing is performed at the individual asset level. Where an asset does not generate cash flows that are separately identifiable from other assets, the Company estimates the recoverable amount of the CGU to which the asset belongs.

The recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs of disposal, and value-in-use. When the recoverable amount is less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised immediately in the Company income statement.

Where an impairment loss on other non-financial non-current assets subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to the revised estimate of the recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined if no impairment loss had been recognised in prior years. Goodwill impairments are not subsequently reversed.

Leases

The Company as lessee

For all leases in which the Company is a lessee (other than those meeting the criteria detailed below), the Company recognises a right of use asset and corresponding lease liability at commencement of the lease. The lease liability is the present value of future lease payments discounted at the rate implicit in the lease, if available, or the applicable incremental borrowing rate. The incremental borrowing rate is determined at lease inception based on a number of factors including asset type, lease currency and lease term. Lease payments include fixed payments and variable lease payments dependent on an index or rate, initially measured using the index or rate at the commencement date. The lease term reflects any extension or termination options that the Company is reasonably certain to exercise.

The lease liability is subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, with interest on the lease liability being recognised as a finance expense in the income statement. The lease liability is remeasured, with a corresponding adjustment to the right of use asset, if there is a change in future lease payments, for example resulting from a rent review, change in a rate/index or change in the Company's assessment of whether it is reasonably certain to exercise an extension, termination or purchase option.

The right of use asset is initially recorded at cost, being equal to the lease liability, adjusted for any initial direct costs, lease payments made prior to commencement date, lease incentives received and any dilapidation costs. Depreciation of right of use assets is recognised as an expense in the income statement on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the asset's useful life or expected term of the lease.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Leases (continued)

Right of use assets arising from sale and leaseback transactions are measured at the proportion of the previous carrying amount of the asset that relates to the right of use retained by the Company. Gains arising on sale and leaseback transactions are recognised to the extent that they relate to the rights transferred to the buyer-lessor whilst losses arising on sale and leaseback transactions are recognised in full.

Right of use assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable, with the impairment expense being recognised in the income statement. Where a lease is terminated early, any termination fees or gain or loss relating to the release of right of use asset and lease obligation are recognised as a gain or loss through the income statement.

Payments in respect of short-term leases not exceeding 12 months in duration or low-value leases are expensed straight line to the income statement as permitted by IFRS 16, 'Leases'.

Cash and cash equivalents

Company cash and cash equivalents consist of cash at bank and cash in hand, together with short-term deposits with an original maturity of three months or less and money market funds.

Taxation

a) Current income tax

Current tax, including UK corporation tax, is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of the tax laws enacted or substantively enacted at the end of the reporting period in the countries where the Company and its subsidiaries and associates operate and generate taxable income. Management periodically evaluates positions taken in tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulation is subject to interpretation and considers whether it is probable that a taxation authority will accept an uncertain tax treatment. The Company measures its tax balances either based on the most likely amount or the expected value, depending on which method provides a better prediction of the resolution of the uncertainty.

Current tax assets and tax liabilities are offset where the entity has a legally enforceable right to offset and intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

b) Deferred income tax

Deferred income tax is provided in full, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax basis of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the consolidated financial statements. However, if the deferred income tax arises from initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction, other than a business combination, that at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss, it is not accounted for. Deferred income tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted, or substantively enacted, by the reporting date and are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled.

Deferred income tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised. Deferred tax assets are recognised where deferred tax liabilities exist and are expected to reverse in the same period as the deferred tax asset or in periods into which a loss arising from a deferred tax asset can be carried forward or back. In the absence of sufficient deferred tax liabilities, deferred tax assets are recognised where it is probable that there will be future taxable profits from other sources against which a loss arising from the deferred tax asset can be offset. In assessing the availability of future profits, the Company uses profit forecasts consistent with those used for goodwill impairment testing. Profits forecast beyond the Company's five-year budget cycle are risk-weighted to reflect commercial uncertainties.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset where there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets and liabilities and where the deferred tax balances relate to the same taxation authority.

Tax is recognised in the income statement except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in either other comprehensive income or in equity.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are stated at their cost less provision for bad debts. A provision for bad debts is established when there is objective evidence that the Company will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

The Company writes off a trade receivable when there is objective evidence that the debtor is in significant financial difficulty and there is no realistic prospect of recovery.

Finance costs

Finance costs are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred unless they are attributable to an asset under construction, in which case finance costs are capitalised.

Finance income

Finance income is recognised in the period to which it relates using the effective interest rate method.

Contingent liabilities

A contingent liability is a possible obligation arising from past events whose existence will be confirmed only on the occurrence or non-occurrence of uncertain future events outside the Company's control, or a present obligation that is not recognised because it is not probable that an outflow of economic benefits will occur or the value of such outflow cannot be measured reliably. A provision is recognised for any amounts that the Directors consider may become payable. See note 19 for details of contingent liabilities.

Employee benefits

a) Pension obligations

Defined Benefit Scheme

The Company participates in a defined benefit scheme that shares risks between entities under common control. The defined benefit scheme defines the amount of pension benefit that an employee will receive on retirement, usually dependent on one or more factors such as age, years of service and compensation.

The cost of providing benefits is determined using the projected unit credit actuarial valuation method. The total service cost and associated administration costs of the pension scheme are charged to operating profit. In addition, a retirement benefit interest charge on the net pension deficit is charged to the income statement as a finance cost. Actuarial gains and losses are recognised directly in equity through the statement of comprehensive income so that the Company's statement of financial position reflects the IAS 19 measurement of the schemes' surpluses or deficits at the statement of financial position date.

The fair value of plan assets is measured in accordance with the FRS 101 fair value hierarchy using appropriate valuation techniques.

The extent to which the Company recognises its share of the income statement charge, the assets and liabilities of the scheme, and the actuarial gain or loss is determined by the proportion of active members of the scheme that it employs.

The scheme's liability is the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the end of the reporting date less the fair value of the plan assets at the reporting date.

Defined Contribution Scheme

The Company participates in a defined contribution scheme. Obligations for contributions to the defined contribution pension plan are recognised as an expense in the income statement.

b) Holiday pay

Paid holidays are regarded as an employee benefit and as such are charged to the income statement as the benefits are earned.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Financial instruments

a) Financial assets and liabilities at amortised cost

Cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables, amounts due from related parties and other receivables are classified as financial assets held at amortised cost as they are held within a business model to collect contractual cash flows and these cash flows consist solely of payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. Trade receivables, contract assets and lease receivables include a provision for expected credit losses. The Company measures the provision at an amount equal to lifetime expected credit losses, estimated by reference to past experience and relevant forward-looking factors. For all other financial assets carried at amortised cost, including loans to joint ventures and associates and other receivables, the Company measures the provision at an amount equal to 12-month expected credit losses.

Trade and other payables, amounts due to related parties, other payables, accruals and bank loans and overdrafts are classified as financial liabilities held at amortised cost.

Fair value measurement

The fair value of an asset or liability is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the year-end date. Fair value measurements are used on a recurring basis except where used in the acquisition of assets and liabilities through a business combination.

The fair values of derivative financial instruments are determined by the use of valuation techniques based on assumptions that are supported by observable market prices or rates. The fair values of non-financial assets and liabilities are based on observable market prices or rates.

The carrying values of financial assets and liabilities which are not held at fair value in the Company balance sheet are assumed to approximate to fair value due to their short-term nature, with the exception of fixed rate bonds.

There have been no changes to the valuation techniques used during the year.

Dividends

Dividends are recognised as a liability in the Company's financial statements in the period in which they are approved. Interim dividends are recognised when paid.

Foreign currencies

a) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of the Company are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (the functional currency). The financial statements are presented in Sterling, which is the Company's functional and presentation currency.

b) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency of the Company using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into the functional currency at the year-end exchange rates. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at exchange rates ruling at the reporting date of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the income statement.

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3 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the course of preparation of the financial statements judgements and estimates have been made in applying the Company's accounting policies that have had a material effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements. The application of the Company's accounting policies requires the use of estimates and the inherent uncertainty in certain forward-looking estimates may result in a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the next financial year. Critical accounting estimates are subject to continuing evaluation and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable in light of known circumstances. Critical accounting estimates and judgements in relation to these financial statements are considered below.

Critical accounting judgements

Critical accounting judgements, apart from those involving estimations, that are applied in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements are discussed below. Detail of the Company's key judgements involving estimates are included in the Key sources of estimation uncertainty section.

Revenue and profit recognition

A number of the Company's contracts include promises in relation to procurement activity undertaken on behalf of customers at low or nil margin, sub-contractor arrangements, and other pass-through costs. Management is required to exercise judgement on these revenue streams in considering whether the Company is acting as principal or agent. This is based on an assessment as to whether the Company controls the relevant goods or services under the performance obligations prior to transfer to customers. Factors that influence this judgement include the level of responsibility the Company has under the contract for the provision of the goods or services, the extent to which the Company is incentivised to fulfil orders on time and within budget, either through gain share arrangements or KPI deductions in relation to the other performance obligations within the contract, and the extent to which the Company exercises responsibility in determining the selling price of the goods and services. Taking all factors into consideration, the Company then comes to a judgement as to whether it acts as principal or agent on a performance obligation-by-performance obligation basis. Note that any changes in this judgement would not have a material impact on profit, although there may be a material impact to revenue and cost of revenue.

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

The key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting period end that may result in significant risk of material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are set out below:

Revenue and profit recognition

The Company's revenue recognition policies require management to make an estimate of the cost to complete for long-term contracts. Management estimates outturn costs on a contract-by-contract basis and estimates are carried out by suitably qualified and experienced personnel. Estimates of cost to complete include assessment of contract contingencies arising out of technical, commercial, operational and other risks. The assessments of all significant contract outturns are subject to review and challenge, and judgements and estimates are reviewed regularly throughout the contract life based on latest available information and adjustments are made where necessary. As contracts near completion, often less judgement is required to determine the expected outturn.

Defined benefit pension schemes obligations

The Company's defined benefit pension schemes are assessed annually in accordance with IAS 19 and the valuation of the defined benefit pension obligations is sensitive to the inflation and discount rate actuarial assumptions used. There is a range of possible values for the assumptions and small changes to the assumptions may have a significant impact on the valuation of the defined benefit pension obligations. In addition to the inflation and discount rate estimates, management is required to make an accounting judgement relating to the expected availability of future accounting surpluses under IFRIC 14. Further information on the key assumptions and sensitivities is included in note 16.

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4 Revenue

Revenue is wholly attributable to the principal activities of the Company and arises as follows:

. •	2022 £'000	2021 £'000
By area of activity:		
Sale of goods – transferred at a point in time	•	131
Provision of services – transferred over time	7,866	4,946
Provision of services – transferred at a point in time	17,457	18,309
	25,323	23,386

All the revenue in the year ending 31 March 2022 originated in the United Kingdom.

5 Operating loss

Operating loss is stated after charging:

	2022 £'000	Restated* 2021 £'000
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment (Note 10)	18	9
Right of use depreciation (Note 11)	17	32
Audit fees payable to the Company's auditor	102	41
Provision for expected credit losses	8,558	825
Staff costs (note 7)	18,423	18,133

Fees paid to the Company's auditors, Deloitte LLP, and its associates (2022) and Price Waterhouse Coopers LLP and its associates (2021), are disclosed on a consolidated basis in the financial statements of the ultimate parent undertaking, Babcock International Group PLC.

The auditors' remuneration for the current year and prior year has been borne by a fellow group company.

6 Finance income and costs

·	2022 £'000	2021 £'000
Finance income	· 67	703
Other interest Loan interest receivable from group undertakings	1,342	1,240
	1,409	1,943
Finance costs Bank interest	(10)	(142)
IFRS 16 interest	(10)	(2)
Loan interest payable to group undertakings	(1,245)	(977)
	(1,255)	(1,121)

^{*}In the year ended 31 March 2022, the Company restated the prior year financial information. Details of the restatement are contained in note 17.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

7 Staff costs

The average monthly number of employees (including directors) employed by the Company during the year was as follows:

	2022 Number	2021 Number
By activity:		
Operations	309	304
Management and administration	8	16_
	317	320
Their aggregate remuneration comprised:	-	
	2022 £'000	2021 £'000
Wages and salaries	14,040	14,257
Social security costs	1,552	1,563
Pension costs – defined contribution plans (note 16)	2,417	1,765
Pension costs – defined benefit plans (note 16)	414	548
	18,423	18,133

8 Directors' emoluments

The emoluments of the single and highest paid director, including pension contributions, paid by the Company in respect of services provided to this Company were as follows:

	2022 £'000	2021 £'000
The remuneration of the director paid by the Company:		
Emoluments (including benefits-in-kind)	-	159
Defined contribution pension scheme	-	9
		168

During the year no (2021: one) Directors were remunerated by the Company exercised share options under long term incentive plans and no (2021: one) Directors were entitled to receive share options under long term incentive plans.

Pension contributions were made in respect of no (2021: one) Directors. There are no retirement benefits under SIPS money purchase schemes accruing for any active Directors (2021: none).

All of the Directors of the Company are remunerated by other Babcock Group companies (2021: 1 paid directly by the Company). It is not possible to make an accurate apportionment of these Directors' emoluments relating to services provided to the Company and as such no disclosure of emoluments received by these Directors has been made in these financial statements. No recharge is made for costs borne by the Company in relation to services performed by the Directors in relation to other Babcock Group companies.

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9 Tax

Income tax credit

		Restated*
	Year ended	Year ended
	31 March	31 March
	2022	2021
	£000	£000
Analysis of tax credit in the year		
Deferred tax		
Origination and reversal of timing differences	(131)	(1,572)
Adjustments in respect of deferred tax for prior years	-	56
Impact of change in UK tax rate	(119)	
Total income tax credit	(250)	(1,516)

The tax for the year is higher (2021: lower) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK. The differences are explained below:

		Restated*
	Year ended	Year ended
	31 March	31 March
	2022	2021
	000£	£000
Loss before tax	(7,620)	(2,321)
Loss multiplied by rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2021: 19%)	(1,448)	(441)
Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	1,637	168
Group Relief surrendered/(claimed) for nil consideration	(320)	(1,299)
Adjustments in respect of deferred tax for prior years	•	56
Impact of change in UK tax rate	(119)	<u>-</u>
Total income tax credit	(250)	(1,516)

In 2020 budget, it was announced that the decrease in the UK rate of corporation tax from 19% to 17% was cancelled. On 24 May 2021, the Finance Act 2021 was substantively enacted, increasing the main rate of UK corporation tax from 19% to 25% with effect from 1 April 2023. Deferred tax balances as at 31 March 2022 that are expected to reverse after 1 April 2023 have been calculated at 25%.

Deferred tax asset

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities have been offset if, and only if, there is a legally enforceable right in the jurisdiction to set off corporate tax assets and corporation tax liabilities and the deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same Taxation Authorities.

		Restated*
	Year ended	Year ended
	31 March	31 March
•	2022 £000	2021 £000
	2000	1000
Deferred tax asset	3,806	10,614
	3,806	10,614

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

9 Tax (continued)

Deferred tax asset (continued)

The movements in deferred tax (assets) and liabilities during the year are shown below.

	Accelerated capital allowances £000	Retirement benefit obligations £000	Total £000
At 1 April 2020	(610)	(5,663)	(6,272)
Charged/(credited) to the income statement	155	(1,670)	(1,516)
Credited to other comprehensive income	•	(2,826)	(2,826)
At 1 April 2021 (restated*)	(455)	(10,159)	(10,614)
Credited to the income statement	(40)	(210)	(250)
Charged to other comprehensive income	-	7,058	7,058
At 31 March 2022	(495)	(3,311)	(3,806)

^{*}In the year ended 31 March 2022, the Company restated the prior year financial information. Details of the restatement are contained in note 17.

10 Property, plant and equipment

	Leasehold property £'000	Restated* Plant and equipment £'000	Restated* Total £'000
Cost			
At 1 April 2021 (restated*)	1,390	276	1,666
At 31 March 2022	1,390	276	1,666
Accumulated depreciation			
At 1 April 2021 (restated*)	1,308	183	1,491
Charge for the year	6	12	18
At 31 March 2022	1,314	195	1,509
Net book value			
At 31 March 2022	76	81	157
At 31 March 2021 (restated*)	82	93	175

Capital commitments

Capital expenditure contracts not provided for in full in the financial statements is £nil (2021: £nil).

*In the year ended 31 March 2022, the Company restated the prior year financial information. The cost as at 1 April 2020 has been reduced by £593k in conjunction with the accumulated depreciation also being reduced by £593k as these assets that were fully depreciated within plant and equipment and no longer existed at 1 April 2020.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

11 Leases

Right-of-use assets

The Company leases vehicles under non-cancellable lease arrangements.

	Plant and equipment £'000
Cost	
At 1 April 2021	158
Termination	(127).
At 31 March 2022	31_
Accumulated depreciation	
At 1 April 2021	(85)
Termination	73
Charge for the year	(17)_
At 31 March 2022	(29)
Net book value	
At 31 March 2022	2
At 31 March 2021	73
	•

Lease liabilities

Set out below are the carrying amounts of lease liabilities and the movements during the period:

	2022	2021
	£'000	£'000
At 31 March 2021	76	108
Disposals	(56)	-
Payments	(18)	(32)
At 31 March 2022	2	76

Discounted future minimum lease payments are as follows:

• •	31 March	31 March
	2022	2021
	£'000	£'000
Within one year	. 2	56
In more than one year, but not more than five years	-	20
Carrying value of liability	2	76

The Company had total cash outflows for leases of £18,000 for the year ended 31 March 2022 (2021: £32,000).

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12 Investments in group undertakings

	Total £'000
Cost	2 000
At 1 April 2021 (restated*)	10,296
At 31 March 2022	10,296
Provision for impairment	
At 1 April 2021 (restated*)	9,124
At 31 March 2022	9,124
Net book amount	
At 31 March 2022	1,172
At 31 March 2021 (restated*)	1,172

^{*}In the year ended 31 March 2022, the Company restated the prior year financial information. Details of the restatement are contained in note 17.

The Company's subsidiary undertakings, joint ventures and other group investments are:

Company	% of equity shares owned	Country of Registration	Principal Activities
Babcock DynCorp Limited₂	56%	England and Wales	Warranty claims
Debut Services (Contracts) Limited₂	9%	England and Wales	Dormant
Debut Services (South West) Limited ₂	50%	England and Wales	Warranty claims
Debut Services Limited2	15%	England and Wales	Dormant
Babcock Management 2019 Limited (previously Devonport Management Limited)	100%	England and Wales	Dormant
Babcock Integration LLP ₁	4.55%	England and Wales	Dormant
Crucible Training Systems Limited (previously iMAST Limited)	100%	England and Wales	Dormant

The Directors believe that the carrying value of the investments is supported by their underlying net assets.

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13 Trade and other receivables

	31 March 2022 £'000	Restated* 31 March 2021 £'000
Amounts due after more than one year:	·	
Amounts due from group undertakings	615,969	612,061
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade receivables	486	808
Contract assets	616	809
Amounts due from group undertakings	957	579
Income tax receivable	-	40,281
Other receivables	165	132
Prepayments	71	51
	2,295	42,660

Amounts due from Group undertakings comprises the following:

- A loan of £100,000,000 (2021: £100,000,000) is repayable on demand, the interest rate is the UK LIBOR Monthly rate plus one hundred basis points.
- A loan of £13,000,000 (2021: £13,000,000) is repayable on demand, the interest rate is the UK LIBOR Six Monthly rate plus one hundred basis points.
- A loan of £5,000,000 (2021: £5,000,000) is repayable on demand, the interest rate is 0.1%
- All other amounts due from group undertakings are unsecured, non-bearing interest and repayable on demand.

Current intercompany receivables are expected to be settled in the company's usual operating cycle of 12 months or less.

*In the year ended 31 March 2022, the Company restated the prior year financial information. Details of the restatement are contained in note 17.

Trade receivables are stated after provisions for impairment of £nil (2021: £nil). Amounts due from group undertakings are stated after provisions for impairment of £17,383,000 (2021: £8,825,000).

14 Trade and other payables

		Restated*
	2022	2021
	£'000	£'000
Amounts falling due after more than one year:		
Cumulative Preference Shares of £1 each	250	250
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade payables	38	202
Amounts due to group undertakings	285,887	285,694
Other taxation and social security	259	169
Accruals	8,417	5,024
Other payables	305	370
	294,906	291,459

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

14 Trade and other payables (continued)

Amounts due to Group undertakings comprises the following:

- A loan of £21,300,000 (2021: £21,300,000) is repayable on demand, the interest rate is UK LIBOR six monthly rate plus four hundred basis points.
- All other amounts due to group undertakings are unsecured, non-interest bearing and repayable on demand.

*In the year ended 31 March 2022, the Company restated the prior year financial information. Details of the restatement are contained in note 17.

The Company has access to the Babcock International Group Plc overdraft facility. The Company along with fellow group undertakings has provided cross-guarantees in relation to this facility (note 19).

Cumulative preference shares of £250,000 were issued on 4th June 2010 at an issue price of £1.00 per share. 50,000 A preference shares, 50,000 B preference shares, 50,000 C preference shares, 50,000 D preference shares and 50,000 E preference shares all of £1.00 each. The preference shares and the ordinary shares shall not rank pari passu in relation to receiving any dividends or other similar distributions.

The holders of the A preference shares shall be entitled to be paid a dividend equal in amount to the amount of the loan principle (if any) repaid by Babcock Southern Holdings Limited to the Company (infrastructure division) under the loan agreement between the Company (infrastructure division) and Babcock Southern Holdings Limited entered into in March 2008 (the A Loan Agreement).

The holders of the B preference shares shall be entitled to be paid a dividend equal in amount to the amount of the loan principle (if any) repaid by Babcock Southern Holdings Limited to the Company (defence division) under the loan agreement between the Company (defence division) and Babcock Southern Holdings Limited entered into in March 2008 (the B Loan Agreement).

The holders of the C preference shares shall be entitled to be paid a dividend equal in amount to the amount of the loan principle (if any) repaid by Babcock Southern Holdings Limited to the Company (infrastructure division) under the loan agreement between the Company (infrastructure division) and Babcock Southern Holdings Limited entered into on 26 March 2009 (the C Loan Agreement).

The holders of the D preference shares shall be entitled to be paid a dividend equal in amount to the amount of the loan principle (if any) repaid by Babcock Southern Holdings Limited to the Company (defence division) under the loan agreement between the Company (defence division) and Babcock Southern Holdings Limited entered into on 24 February 2010 (the D Loan Agreement).

The holders of the E preference shares shall be entitled to be paid a dividend equal in amount to the amount of the loan principle (if any) repaid by Babcock Southern Holdings Limited to the Company (infrastructure division) under the loan agreement between the Company (infrastructure division) and Babcock Southern Holdings Limited entered into on 24 February 2010 (the E Loan Agreement).

For as long as any amount of loan principle remains to be repaid under any of the five Loan Agreements, no dividend or other distribution shall be paid or made to holders of the ordinary shares and during this period the Company shall not initiate any other action that will deplete the distributable reserves of the Company below £32,000,000. There are no further dividend rights beyond the payment of the loan principle as disclosed above.

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15 Share capital

	· 31 March 2022	31 March 2021
	£'000	£'000
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
110,045 ordinary shares of £1 each (2021: £110,045)	110	110

16 Pension commitments

Defined contribution schemes

Pension costs for defined contribution schemes are as follows:

31 March 2022	31 March 2021
£'000	£'000
2,417	1,765

The Company accounts for pension costs in accordance with IAS 19. The Company contributes to a defined contribution scheme in the UK in respect of a number of its employees. The Company also participates in the following defined benefit schemes: Rosyth Royal Dockyard Limited pension scheme (Rosyth).

The Company is severally liable, along with the other participating employers, for the assets and liabilities of the scheme. The allocation of the assets and liabilities of the scheme and which has been recognised in these financial statements are detailed in this note.

The nature of the schemes is that the employees contribute to the schemes with the employer paying the balance of the cost required. The contributions required and the assessment of the assets and the liabilities that have accrued to members and any deficit recovery payments required are agreed by the Group with the trustees of each scheme who are advised by independent, qualified actuaries.

The key risks relate primarily to longevity, the expected inflation rate in the future which impacts on pension increases and indirectly salary increases and the discount rate used to value the liabilities. The schemes have mitigated some of these risks by taking out longevity swaps in respect of pensioners and their spouses, through a common investment committee we have significantly hedged the interest rate and inflation risk though derivative instruments and introduced benefit changes impacting future service benefits which included capping of pensionable salaries, capping pension increases, increased normal retirement age in line with state pension ages and increased the level of member contributions.

The defined benefit schemes are prudently funded by payments to legally separate trustee-administered funds. The trustees of each scheme are required by law to act in the best interests of each scheme's members. In addition to determining future contribution requirements (with the agreement of the Group), the trustees are responsible for setting the schemes' investment strategy (subject to consultation with the Group). All the schemes have at least one independent trustee and member nominated trustees. The schemes are subject to regulation under the funding regime set out in Part III of the Pensions Act 2004.

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Pension commitments (continued)

Rosyth Royal Dockyard Pension Scheme

The IAS 19 valuation has been updated at 31 March 2022 by an independent qualified actuary using revised assumptions that are consistent with the requirements of IAS 19. The date of the last full actuarial valuation was 09/06/2022. The major assumptions used for the IAS 19 valuation were:

		restated
	2022	2021
	%	%
Major assumptions		
Rate of increase in pensionable salaries	3.4	2.9
Rate of increase in pensions	3.71	3.23
Discount rate	2.7	2.0
Inflation (RPI)	3.3	3.7
Inflation (CPI)	2.8	3.2
Total life expectancy for current pensioners aged 65 (years)	20	19.8
Total life expectancy for future pensioners currently aged 45 (years)	20.9	20.9
The Company's cash contribution rates payable to the schemes are expected	to he as follows:	
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	Royal Dockyard Pension scheme £m
Deficit contributions	66.6
Additional longevity swap payments	4.7
Expected total employer contributions	71.3

The expected total employer contributions to be made by participating employers to the scheme in 2022/23 are £66.6m (2021/22 £67.5m). The future service rate is nil (2021/22 nil). The above level of funding is expected to continue until the next actuarial valuation, with valuations carried out every 3 years. The Company's share of this is allocated based on the percentage of active members of the scheme that it employs.

The changes to the Babcock International Group Plc balance sheet at March 2022 and the changes to the Babcock International Group Plc income statement for the year to March 2022, if the assumptions were sensitised by the amounts below, would be:

	Defined benefit obligations 2022 £'000	Income statement 2022 £'000
Initial assumptions	898,505	1,876
Discount rate assumptions increased by 0.5%	825,816	(378)
Discount rate assumptions decreased by 0.5%	981,437	3,628
Inflation rate assumptions increased by 0.5%	962,838	3,613
Inflation rate assumptions decreased by 0.5%	838,665	260
Total life expectancy increased by half a year	919,800	2,451
Total life expectancy decreased by half a year	878,738	1,342
Salary increase assumptions increased by 0.5%	898,505	1,876
Salary increase assumptions decreased by 0.5%	898,505	1,876

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

16 Pension commitments (continued)

The fair value of the assets, the present value of the liabilities and the expected rates of return of the scheme at the balance sheet date of 31 March 2022 were:

		restated
Fair value of plan of assets	2022	2021
	£'000	£,000
Growth assets		
Equities	10,186	22,105
Property funds	63,022	80,568
High yield bonds/emerging market debt	24,300	68,885
Absolute return and multi-strategy funds	44,489	117,385
Low-risk assets		
Bonds	398,240	238,122
Matching assets*	324,402	284,740
Collateral	75,327	66,162
Longevity swaps	(91,700)	(76,280)
Fair value of assets	848,266	801,687
Present value of defined benefit obligations	(898,505)	(1,004,528)
Total defined benefit obligations	(898,505)	(1,004,528)
Net liabilities recognised in the statement of financial position	(50,239)	(202,841)

The scheme does not invest directly in assets or share of Babcock International Group Plc.

The longevity swaps have been valued in line with assumptions that are consistent with the requirements of IFRS 13 using Level 3 inputs. The key inputs to the valuation are the discount rate and mortality assumptions.

The amounts recognised in the Group income statement are as follows:

·	restated
2022	2021
£'000	£'000
Current service cost	- 1,946
Incurred expenses 1,544	1 ,486
Past service cost	- 206
Curtailment	- 7,500
Total included within operating profit1,544	1 11,138
Net interest cost/(credit) 2,659	3,427
Total included within income statement 4,203	14,565

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

16 Pension commitments (continued)

The amounts charged to the income statement in these financial statements, based on the Company's allocation of the total Babcock International Group Plc charge, included £Nil for service cost (2021: £513,000), £407,000 for incurred expenses (2021: £392,000), £Nil for past service cost (2021: £54,000), £Nil for settlement (2021: £Nil), and net interest cost of £700,000 (2021: £903,000).

Amounts recorded in the Group statement of comprehensive income

		restated
	2022	2021
	£'000	£'000
Actual return less interest on pension scheme assets	71,986	(137,133)
Experience gains/(losses) arising on scheme liabilities	23,247	50,500
Changes in assumptions on scheme liabilities	(13,894)	3,244
	81,339	(83,389)

The actuarial gain/(loss) recognised in the SOCI in these financial statements, based on the Company's allocation of the total Babcock International Group Plc movement, was £41,332,000 (2021 restated*: £(14,875,000)).

Analysis of movement in the Group statement of financial position:

·	2022	restated 2021
	£,000	£,000
Fair value of plan assets		
At 1 April	877,967	850,784
Interest on assets	18,279	17,367
Actuarial gain on assets*	34,214	52,694
Employer contributions	75,466	26,962
Employee contributions	-	4
Benefits paid	(65,960)	(69,844)
At 31 March	939,966	877,967
Present value of benefit obligations		
At 1 April	1,004,528	904,973
Service cost	•	1,946
Incurred expenses	1,544	1,486
Interest cost	19,412	18,930
Employee contributions	-	4
Experience loss	10,967	2,194
Actuarial gain – demographics	(22,630)	(1,366)
Actuarial (gain)/loss – financial	(49,356)	138,499
Benefits paid	(65,960)	(69,844)
Past service costs	-	207
Curtailment		7,500
At 31 March	898,505	1,004,529
Net surplus/(deficit) at 31 March	41,461	(126,562)

The deficit recognised in these financial statements, based on the Company's allocation of the total Babcock International Group Plc assets and liabilities for this scheme, was £13,243,000 (2021 restated: £53,469,000).

In the year ended 31 March 2022, the Company restated the prior year financial information. Details of the restatement are contained in note 17.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

17 Prior Year Restatement

In the year ended 31 March 2022, the Company restated the prior year financial information. The restatements are summarised below.

Impact on the income statement for the year ended 31 March 2021 (extract)

	Year ended 31 March 2021 (previously published)	arch 2021 (i) Investment impairment reviously		(iii) Impairment of amounts owed by group undertakings	(iv) Tax	(v) Expenses reclassification	Year ended 31 March 2021 (restated)
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Revenue	23,386	-		-			23,386
Cost of sales	(20,143)	-			-	(1,167)	(21,310)
Gross profit	3,243	-	-	-	•	(1,167)	2,076
Administrative expenses	(4,704)	-	52	-	•	1,167	(3,485)
ECL Provision Costs	-	-	-	(825)	-	-	(825)
Impairment of investments	(1,025)	669	-		•	-	(355)
Operating profit/(loss)	(2,486)	669	52	(825)		-	(2,589)
Income from shares in group undertakings	349						349
Profit/(loss) before interest and taxation	(2,137)	669	52	(825)	-	•	(2,240)
Finance income	1,943	-	-	-	-		1,943
Finance costs	(1,121)	•	-	-	-	-	(1,121)
Other finance costs – pension	(744)		(159)	-	-	-	(903)
Profit/(loss) before income tax	(2,059)	669	(107)	(825)	-	-	(2,321)
Income tax (expense)/credit	582	-	•	•	934	. •	1,516
Profit/(loss) for the financial year	(1,477)	669	(107)	(825)	934	· <u></u>	(805)

Impact on the statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 March 2021 (extract)

	Year ended 31 March 2021 (previously published)	(i) Investment impairment reversal	(ii) Pension	(iii) Impairment of amounts owed by group undertakings	(iv) Tax	Year ended 31 March 2021 (restated) £'000	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		
Profit/(loss) for the financial year	(1,477)	669	(107)	(825)	934	(805)	
Other comprehensive (expense)/income:						-	
Remeasurement of defined benefit obligation	(23,086)	-	8,211	-	-	(14,875)	
Tax on defined benefit obligation	4,386	•		-	(1,560)	2,826	
Other comprehensive (expense)/income for the year	(18,700)		8,211	-	(1,560)	(12,048)	
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Total comprehensive (expense)/income for the year	(20,177)	669	8,104	(825)	(626)	(12,854)	

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17 Prior Year Restatement (continued)

Impact on the statement of financial position for the year ended 31 March 2021 (extract)

	Year ended 31 March 2021 (previously published) 2021	(i) investment impairment reversal	(ii) Pension	(iii) Impairment of amounts owed by group undertakings	(iv) Tax	(vi) Equity opening balance corrections	(vii) Intercompany elimination	(viii) Contract cost accruals	(ix) Intercompany reclassification	Year ended 31 March 2021 (previously published)
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£,000	£'000
Non Current Assets										
Investments in group undertakings	77	1,095	-	-	-	-	-	•		1,172
Deferred tax asset				•	10,614	•		•		10,614
Loans To Group Companies		•	-			•	-	-	612,061	612,061
Total non current assets*	325	1,095	•	•	10,614	•	•	•	612,061	624,095
Current assets										
Trade and other receivables	714,570	•	-	(8,825)	(50,836)	(188)		<u> </u>	(612,061)	42,660
Total current assets*	721,985	-	-	(8,825)	(50,836)	(188)			(612,061)	50,075
Trade and other payables – amounts										
falling due within one year	(284.490)	-	415			(455)	(8,015)	1.086		(291,459)
Net current assets*	437,439	-	415	(8,825)	(50,836)	(643)	(8,015)	1,086	(612,061)	(241,440)
Net con ent assets	437,433		725	(5,525)	(30,030)	(043)	(0,025)		(012,002)	(242,445)
Total assets less current liabilities*	437,764	1,095	415	(8,825)	(40,222)	(643)	(8,015)	1,086		382,655
Pension liabilities	(56,622)	_	3,153			_	_		_	(53,469)
Net assets*	380,872	1,095	3,568	(8,825)	(40,222)	(643)	(8,015)	1,086	ē	328,916
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Equity										
Retained earnings brought forward as at 1										
April 2020	315,948	426	(4,536)	(8,000)	(39,596)	(643)	(8,015)	1,086		256,670
Total equity (brought forward at 1 April										
2020)*	401,048	426	(4,536)	(8,000)	(39,596)	(643)	(8,015)	1,086		341,770
Retained earnings as at 31 March 2021	295,772	1,095	3,568	(8,825)	(40,222)	(643)	(8,015)	1,086	-	243,816
Total equity*	380,872	1,095	3,568	(8,825)	(40,222)	(643)	(8,015)	1,086		328,916
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^{*} The table above includes only those financial statement line items which have been restated. The total noncurrent assets, current assets, non-current liabilities, and equity do not therefore represent the sum of the line items presented above.

(i) Investment impairment reversal

During the year ended 31 March 2020, there was an impairment reversal on the investment of Babcock Dyncorp Limited amounting to £426k which was reduced further than the net assets of the entity in error. During the year ended 31 March 2021, there was an impairment reversal on the investment of Babcock Dyncorp Limited amounting to £669k which was reduced further than the net assets of the entity in error. This has impacted the opening retained earnings by 426k, operating profit for the year ended 31 March 2021 by £669k and investment value by £669k. The income statement, balance sheet and relevant notes have been restated accordingly.

(ii) Pension

Longevity swap valuation

The longevity swap relating to the scheme was previously valued in line with the collateral posted by the scheme with its intermediary. This was deemed a proxy for fair value in line with IAS 19. Having considered valuations of a notional replacement swap, or exit, we now believe the previous approach no longer accurately reflects fair value and so we have changed our valuation approach accordingly. In the year ended 31 March 2020, there was a decrease in the retirement benefit deficit on the statement of financial position of £5.4m, and a gain through the opening retained earnings due to the restatement of retirement benefit obligations of £5.4m. In the year ended 31 March 2021, there was an increase in the retirement benefit deficit on the Statement of financial position of £2.2m, and a loss through the statement of other comprehensive income due to the restatement of retirement benefit obligations of £2.2m. This change does not affect the technical provision assessed for the scheme during triennial valuations, their funder requirements, or the deficit recovery cash contributions agreed with the scheme. The income statement, balance sheet and relevant notes have been restated accordingly.

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17 Prior Year Restatement (continued)

(ii) Pension (continued)

Change due to inflation

Furthermore, a refinement in the calculation of the value of defined benefit obligation for the scheme now allows for the inclusion of the actual known rate of the next pension increase, rather than using the longer-term assumed inflation rate of pension increases. This approach was not followed in the year ended 31 March 2020. Correction of this error results in an increase to the defined benefit deficit of £10.5m and a loss through the statement of other comprehensive income of £10.5m. This approach was also not followed in the year ended 31 March 2021. Correction of this error results in a decrease to the defined benefit deficit of £10.8m and a gain through the statement of other comprehensive income of £10.9m and a loss through the income statement of £0.1m. The income statement, balance sheet and relevant notes have been restated accordingly.

(iii) Impairment of amounts owed by group undertakings

Based on a revised expected credit loss model, amounts owed by group undertakings for the year ended 31 March 2020 and 31 March 2021 have been impaired where not deemed recoverable amounting to £8,000k and £825k, respectively. The income statement, balance sheet and relevant notes have been restated accordingly.

(iv) Tax

Deferred tax asset

The deferred tax asset has been reduced by £626k relating to accelerated capital allowances £26k and retirement benefit obligations £600k against deferred tax credit in the income statement of £934k and deferred tax charge other comprehensive income of £1,560k. The total deferred tax asset of £10,614k has then been reclassified to non-current assets. The income statement, balance sheet and relevant notes have been restated accordingly.

Income tax debtor

The opening income tax debtor has been impaired by £39,596k pertaining to the entity being the one of the tax paying agents on behalf of entities within the Babcock International Group Plc Group ('the Group'). As a result of surrendering of losses and group tax payments on behalf of the Group entities this amount is owed by amounts owed by group undertakings however this is not deemed recoverable and so has been fully impaired. The balance sheet and relevant notes have been restated accordingly.

(v) Expenses reclassification

Expenses within administrative expenses were incorrectly classified for the year ended 31 March 2021 and so have been reclassified to cost of sales amounting to £1,167k. The income statement and relevant notes have been restated accordingly.

(vi) Equity opening balance corrections

Trade and other receivables and trade and other payables have both been written down by 188k and 455k, respectively. These relate to historic balances that should have been written down prior to 31 March 2020 and so adjusted against opening retained earnings as at 1 April 2020. The balance sheet and relevant notes have been restated accordingly.

(vii) Intercompany elimination

Amounts due to group undertakings included a payable to another group undertaking which should have been written off as this is not in the records of the counterparty prior to 31 March 2020. This has impacted the statement of financial position by decreasing trade and other payables and retained earnings brought forward as at 1 April 2020 by £8,015k. The income statement, balance sheet and relevant notes have been restated accordingly.

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17 Prior Year Restatement (continued)

(viii) Contract cost accruals

Contract cost accruals for the year ended 31 March 2021 included an adjustment of £1,086k against retained earnings which was not valid. This has impacted the statement of financial position by decreasing trade and other payables and retained earnings brought forward as at 1 April 2020 by £1,086k. The income statement, balance sheet and relevant notes have been restated accordingly.

(ix) Intercompany reclassification

In the prior year, intercompany amounts due from group undertakings of £612,061k were presented as falling due within one year and classified within current assets. Based on the underlying terms of the agreement and, since these assets are not expected to be settled within the next twelve months, the classification has been reassessed, and the amounts due from group presented within non-current assets. The balance sheet and relevant notes have been restated accordingly.

18 Related party disclosures

The Company has taken advantage of the exemptions within FRS 101 not to disclose transactions and balances with Babcock International Group PLC and its wholly owned subsidiaries, on the grounds that the Company itself is a wholly owned subsidiary of Babcock International Group PLC, for which the consolidated financial statements are publicly available.

In the year ended 31 March 2022, the Company had no transactions or balances outstanding with related parties that fall outside the FRS 101 exemption.

19 Contingent liabilities

The Company has guaranteed or has joint several liability for bank overdraft facilities that are shared across multiple group companies with utilisation of £383.6m at 31 March 2022 (31 March 2021: £371.3m)

20 Post balance sheet events

There have been no significant events affecting the Company since the year end.

21 Immediate and ultimate parent undertakings

The Company's immediate parent company is Babcock Defence and Security Holdings LLP, a limited liability partnership registered in England and Wales. The Company's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Babcock International Group PLC, a company registered in England and Wales. The only Group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by Babcock International Group PLC.

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