

# **SHANKS DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY HOLDINGS LIMITED**

**DIRECTORS' REPORT  
AND  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 MARCH 2015**



Registered Number SC245928

**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015**

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## STRATEGIC REPORT

The Directors present the Strategic Report of Shanks Dumfries and Galloway Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 March 2015.

The Company is owned by John Laing Environmental Assets Group (UK) Limited (80%) and Shanks PFI Investments Limited (20%).

## BUSINESS REVIEW AND PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

On 26 November 2004 the Group entered into a 25 year Private Finance Initiative (PFI) contract with Dumfries and Galloway Council for the provision of waste management services. As part of this contract Shanks Dumfries and Galloway Limited was committed to building new waste management facilities, which it will operate until the end of the contract, when the facilities will revert to council ownership. Shanks Waste Management Limited holds sub-contracts for operation of the facilities and for the disposal of waste.

## RESULTS

The consolidated balance sheet on page 9 of the financial statements shows the Group's financial position at the end of the financial year. The net assets have decreased to a net liabilities position of £1,474,000 as a result of the loss in the year of £1,109,000 and the change in the hedging reserve of £651,000.

## KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The principal KPI for the Group is the volume of waste processed during the year and subsequent diversion of waste from landfill disposal. For the year ended 31 March 2015, the Group processed 85,622 tonnes (2014: 91,661 tonnes) and diverted 55,485 tonnes or 65% from landfill disposal (2014: 57,289 tonnes or 63% from landfill disposal).

## PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Group's activities expose it to a number of financial risks including cash flow risk, credit risk and liquidity risk.

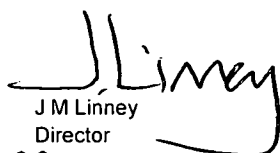
## FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

**Cash flow Risk:** The Group's borrowings expose it to cash flow risk primarily due to the financial risks of changes in interest rates and inflation. The Group's exposure to interest rate risk is mitigated through the use of interest rate swaps, details of which are set out in note 13 to the financial statements. The Group's exposure to inflationary risk is mitigated by having an index-linked unitary contract with Dumfries and Galloway Council.

**Credit Risk:** The Group's principal financial assets are cash, financial assets and trade and other receivables. The Group's credit risk is primarily attributable to its trade receivables which are with one counterparty, although in the opinion of the board of directors this risk is limited as the receivables are with a local government authority.

**Liquidity Risk:** At the start of the PFI contract, the Group negotiated debt facilities with an external party and the immediate parent company to ensure that the Group has sufficient funds over the life of the PFI concession. Details of these facilities are set out in note 11 to the financial statements.

On behalf of the Board

  
J M Linney  
Director  
29 July 2015

## DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors submit their Annual Report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2015.

## GOING CONCERN

The Directors have considered the use of the going concern basis in the preparation of the financial statements in light of the Group's net liabilities position and current market conditions and concluded that it is appropriate. More information is provided in note 1 to the financial statements.

## DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITOR

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

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006.

## DIVIDENDS

The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2014 - £nil).

## FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Group will continue to finance and operate the waste management facilities until the end of the concession.

## FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Group's activities expose it to a number of financial risks including credit risk, cash flow risk and liquidity risk. The management of these risks is discussed in the Strategic Report. The Group does not use derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes.

## AUDITOR

Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditor will be deemed to be reappointed and Deloitte LLP will therefore continue in office.

## DIRECTORS

The Directors who served throughout the year, except as noted, are shown on page 1.

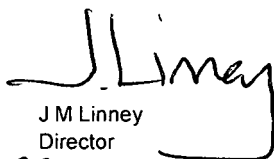
## DIRECTORS INDEMNITIES

The Company has made qualifying third party indemnity provisions for the benefit of its directors during the year and remain in force at the date of this report.

## EMPLOYEES

Details of the number of employees and related costs can be found in note 5 to the financial statements on page 14.

On behalf of the Board

  
J M Linney  
Director  
29 July 2015

## DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

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

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). 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 year.

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 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 have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the Company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SHANKS DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY HOLDINGS LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Shanks Dumfries and Galloway Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 March 2015 which comprise the consolidated profit and loss account, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, the consolidated and company balance sheets, the statement of changes in equity, consolidated cashflow statement and the related notes 1 to 18. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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.

### Respective responsibilities of Directors and auditor

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

### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the annual report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

### Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Group and Parent Company's affairs as at 31 March 2015 and of the Group's loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

### Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report for the year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

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



Jacqueline Holden (Senior Statutory Auditor)  
for and on behalf of Deloitte LLP  
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor  
London, United Kingdom

29 July 2015

## CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

	Notes	2015 £000	2014 £000
Turnover	2	9,911	8,138
Cost of sales		(9,219)	(7,633)
<b>Gross profit</b>		<b>692</b>	<b>505</b>
Administration expenses		(415)	(200)
<b>Operating profit</b>	3	<b>277</b>	<b>305</b>
Net interest receivable / (payable)	6	57	(9)
<b>Profit on ordinary activities before taxation</b>		<b>334</b>	<b>296</b>
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	(1,443)	(82)
<b>(Loss) / profit before taxation</b>		<b>(1,109)</b>	<b>214</b>

All items in the profit and loss account relate to continuing operations.

The notes on pages 12 to 18 form part of these financial statements.



## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

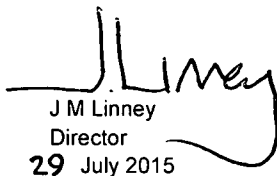
	Notes	2015 £000	2014 £000
(Loss)/ profit for the financial year		(1,109)	214
(Decrease)/ increase in fair value of hedging derivatives		(814)	1,958
Deferred tax attributable to hedging derivatives		<u>163</u>	<u>(553)</u>
<b>Total comprehensive (loss)/ income for the year</b>		<u><b>(1,760)</b></u>	<u><b>1,619</b></u>

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## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH

	Notes	2015 £000	2014 £000
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors		26,630	27,367
- due within one year	9	2,532	3,213
- due after more than one year	9	24,098	24,154
Cash at bank and in hand		3,449	4,641
		<u>30,079</u>	<u>32,008</u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
<b>Creditors:</b> amounts falling due within one year	11	(3,983)	(4,038)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>26,096</u>	<u>27,970</u>
<b>Creditors:</b> amounts falling due after more than one year	11	(27,052)	(27,247)
<b>Provision for liabilities</b>	12	(518)	(437)
<b>Net (liabilities) / assets</b>		<u>(1,474)</u>	<u>286</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Called up share capital	15	1	1
Hedging reserve	14	(3,372)	(2,721)
Profit and loss account		1,897	3,006
<b>Shareholder's (deficit) / funds</b>		<u>(1,474)</u>	<u>286</u>

The financial statements of Shanks Dumfries and Galloway Holdings Limited, registered number sc245928, were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 29 July 2015. They were signed on its behalf by:

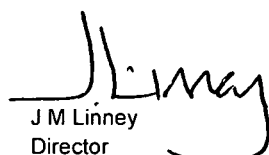
  
J M Linney  
Director  
29 July 2015

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## COMPANY BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH

	Notes	2015 £000	2014 £000
<b>Fixed asset</b>			
Investments	8	1	1
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors		3,617	3,617
- due within one year	9	204	204
- due after more than one year	9	3,413	3,413
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
<b>Creditors:</b> amounts falling due within one year	11	(204)	(204)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>3,413</u>	<u>3,413</u>
<b>Creditors:</b> amounts falling due after more than one year	11	(3,413)	(3,413)
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Called up share capital	15	1	1
Profit and loss account		-	-
<b>Shareholder's funds</b>		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

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J M Linney  
Director  
**29** July 2015

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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY AS AT 31 MARCH

	Called up share capital £000	Hedging reserve £000	Profit and loss account £000	Total £000
<b>At 1 April 2013</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>(4,126)</b>	<b>2,792</b>	<b>(1,333)</b>
Profit for the financial year	-	-	214	214
Hedges of variable interest rate risk	-	1,958	-	1,958
Deferred tax relating to items of other comprehensive income	-	(553)	-	(553)
<b>At 31 March 2014</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>(2,721)</b>	<b>3,006</b>	<b>286</b>
<b>At 1 April 2014</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>(2,721)</b>	<b>3,006</b>	<b>286</b>
Loss for the financial year	-	-	(1,109)	(1,109)
Hedges of variable interest rate risk	-	(814)	-	(814)
Deferred tax relating to items of other comprehensive income	-	163	-	163
<b>At 31 March 2015</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>(3,372)</b>	<b>1,897</b>	<b>(1,474)</b>

## COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY AS AT 31 MARCH

	Called up share capital £000	Profit and loss account £000	Total £000
<b>At 1 April 2013</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>
Result for the financial year	-	-	-
<b>At 31 March 2014</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>At 1 April 2014</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>
Result for the financial year	-	-	-
<b>At 31 March 2015</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>

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**SHANKS DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY HOLDINGS LIMITED**

**CONSOLIDATED CASHFLOW STATEMENT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015**

	Notes	2015 £000	2014 £000
<b>Net cash flows from operating activities</b>	17	(123)	1,151
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Interest received		11	11
Interest received on financial asset		1,776	1,789
<b>Net cash flows from investing activities</b>		<u>1,787</u>	<u>1,800</u>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Interest paid		(1,731)	(1,882)
Repayment of borrowings		(1,125)	(972)
<b>Net cash flows from financing activities</b>		<u>(2,856)</u>	<u>(2,854)</u>
<b>Net (decrease)/ increase in cash</b>		<u>(1,192)</u>	<u>97</u>
Cash and cash equivalent at beginning of year		4,641	4,544
<b>Cash and cash equivalent at end of year</b>		<u>3,449</u>	<u>4,641</u>

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## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2015

## 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of preparation of accounts

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) issued by the Financial Reporting Council. The principal accounting policies are summarised below.

Judgements made by the directors, in the application of these accounting policies that have a significant effect on the financial statements and estimates with a significant risk of material adjustment in the next year are discussed below.

Going Concern

The Group's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect its future development, performance and position are set out in the strategic report. The strategic report further describes the Group's financial risk management objectives, details of its financial instruments and hedging activities; and its exposure to credit risk and liquidity risk.

The Group is in a net liabilities position as at 31 March 2015; however the Group's forecasts and projections, taking account of possible changes in counterparty performance, show that the Group expects to be profitable next year and as such are able to continue to operate as a going concern.

The Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Group has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

Basis of consolidation

The Company is not exempt under section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 from any requirement to prepare consolidated financial statements for its group. As a result consolidated financial statements have been prepared that consolidate the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiary undertaking drawn up to 31 March each year. As permitted by section 408 of the Companies Act 2006, no separate profit and loss account is presented in respect of the parent company. The profit for the financial year recognised for the parent was nil (2014: nil).

b) Turnover

Operational phase - income received in respect of the service concession is allocated between revenue and capital repayment of and interest income on the PFI financial asset using the effective interest rate method. Service revenue is recognised as a margin on non-pass-through operating costs solely, with a zero margin being recognised on lifecycle and other SPV costs.

Pass-through revenue relates to costs incurred by the operator in carrying out its obligations under the service contract, which are charge to Dumfries and Galloway Council with no margin applied by the SPV.

Revenue and expenses are recognised on an accruals basis, i.e. when the actual flow of the related goods and services occurs, regardless of when the resulting monetary or financial flow arises. Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received, net of discounts and taxes.

Revenue is entirely derived in the United Kingdom.

c) Service Concession - Financial Asset

Shanks Dumfries and Galloway Limited is a special purpose entity that has been established to provide services under certain private finance agreements with Dumfries and Galloway Council (the Authority). Under the terms of these Agreements, the Authority (as grantor) controls the services to be provided by Shanks Dumfries and Galloway Limited over the contract term. Based on the contractual arrangements Shanks Dumfries and Galloway Limited has classified the project as a service concession arrangement, and has accounted for the principal assets of, and income streams from, the project in accordance with FRS 102, Section 34.12 Service Concession Arrangements.

Under the terms of the arrangement, Shanks Dumfries and Galloway Limited has the right to receive a baseline contractual payment stream for the provision of the waste management service from or at the direction of the grantor (the Authority), and as such the asset created is accounted for as a financial asset. The financial asset has initially been recognised at the fair value of the consideration received, based on the fair value of the construction (or upgrade) services, plus any directly attributable transaction costs, provided in line with FRS 102.

The financial assets are classified as basic financial instruments in line with FRS 102, Schedule 11 and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

At least at each reporting date, the Company tests financial assets not measured at fair value for impairment. Objective evidence of impairment is considered to exist when the recoverable amount of the financial asset is lower than its carrying amount. When this occurs, the impairment loss is recognised in the profit and loss immediately.

The Company derecognises a financial asset when it expires or when the rights to the cash flows from the financial asset have been transferred and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset have been transferred.

d) Financial Liabilities

Financial liabilities are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. Financial liabilities, including borrowings, are initially measured at transaction price and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective yield basis. Shanks Dumfries and Galloway Limited de-recognises its financial liabilities when its obligations are discharged, cancelled or they expire.

The effective interest rate method is a method of calculating amortised costs of the financial liability and allocating interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash payments through the expected life of the financial liability.

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2015 (continued)

## 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

e) Taxation

Current tax, including United Kingdom Corporation tax and foreign tax, is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date. Timing differences are differences between Shanks Dumfries and Galloway Limited's taxable profits and its results as stated in the financial information that arise from the inclusion of gains and losses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in the financial statements.

Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that, on the basis of all available evidence, it can be regarded as more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted.

Deferred tax is measured using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

f) Operating costs

Operating costs and maintenance costs are expensed to the profit and loss account.

g) Interest payable

Interest costs on borrowings are expensed to the profit and loss account over the period of concession on an accruals basis.

h) Derivative Financial Instruments

The risk of changes in interest rates on the bank facilities faced by the Group has been hedged at the inception of the project through interest rate swap agreements. The Group does not hold or issue derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes.

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date the contract is entered into and are subsequently remeasured at their fair value at each Balance Sheet date, in accordance with FRS 102, Schedule 12. The Group has designated and documented the hedging relationship so that the risk being hedged, the hedged item (forecast interest payments) and the hedging instrument are clearly identified and the risk in the hedged item is the risk being hedged with the hedging instrument.

The Group has also tested the effectiveness of the hedging instrument in offsetting the designated hedged risk at each reporting date. The effectiveness of a hedge is the degree to which changes in the fair value or cash flows of the hedged item that are attributable to the hedged risk are offset by changes in the fair value or cash flows of the hedging instrument. The portion of the change in the fair value of the hedging instrument that was effective in offsetting the change in the fair value or expected cash flows of the hedged item is recognised in other comprehensive income. Where ineffectiveness is judged to have occurred, either a proportion or the full amount of the ineffectiveness is taken to the profit and loss account.

The fair values of derivatives at the balance sheet date are obtained from the banks or financial institutions with which the derivatives have been transacted, subject to adjustment if required.

i) Debt issue costs

Costs incurred following the issue of debt are held on the balance sheet and charged to the profit and loss account over the period that the relevant debt is held, using an effective interest rate.

j) Cash

Cash comprise cash at bank and in hand and short term deposits with original maturity of less than three months.

k) Provisions

The total post closure costs of landfill sites, including such items as monitoring, gas and leachate management and licensing, have been estimated by management based on current best practice and technology available. These costs may be impacted by a number of factors including changes in legislation and improvements in technology. The dates of payments of these aftercare costs are uncertain but are anticipated to be over a period of approximately thirty years from closure of the relevant landfill site. The Company is required to provide for aftercare costs as part of the 25 year integrated waste management contract with Dumfries and Galloway Council.

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2015 (continued)

## 2 TURNOVER

	Group 2015 £000	Group 2014 £000
Turnover in the year is analysed as follows:		
Service fee revenue	6,983	6,137
Pass-through revenue	2,928	2,001
	<u>9,911</u>	<u>8,138</u>

The turnover and operating profit are wholly attributable to the Group's business of waste management in the United Kingdom.

## 3 Operating profit

	Group 2015 £000	Group 2014 £000
Operating profit is stated after charging:		
Fees payable to the Group's auditor for the audit of the accounts of the Company and subsidiary Company	18	16

## 4 DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

No Directors received any remuneration for services to the Group during the current or prior year. The Group is managed by secondees from the shareholders under a management services contract.

## 5 STAFF NUMBERS

The Group had no employees during the year (2014 - nil).

## 6 NET INTEREST RECEIVABLE / (PAYABLE)

	Group 2015 £000	Group 2014 £000
<b>Interest receivable and similar income</b>		
Interest receivable on bank deposits	11	11
Interest receivable on financial asset	1,776	1,789
	<u>1,787</u>	<u>1,800</u>
<b>Interest payable and similar charges</b>		
Interest payable on bank loans and overdrafts	(1,320)	(1,395)
Interest payable to immediate parent undertaking	(410)	(414)
	<u>(1,730)</u>	<u>(1,809)</u>
Net interest receivable / (payable)	<u>57</u>	<u>(9)</u>



## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2015 (continued)

## 7 TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

	Group 2015 £000	Group 2014 £000
<b>Current tax</b>		
Current tax on income in the year	-	-
<b>Deferred tax</b>		
Movement in deferred tax on losses	(384)	(568)
Accelerated capital allowances	(1,059)	330
Timing differences	-	156
<b>Total tax</b>	<b>(1,443)</b>	<b>(82)</b>

The differences between the total tax charge and the amount calculated by applying the standard rate of UK corporation tax to the profit before tax is as follows:

	2015 £000	2014 £000
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	334	296
Tax on profit on ordinary activities at standard UK corporation tax rate of 21% (2014: 23%)	70	68
Effects of:		
Adjustments in respect of previous periods	1,368	-
Expenses not deductible	9	13
Differences between current tax and deferred tax rate	(4)	(15)
Timing differences	-	16
<b>Total tax for the period</b>	<b>1,443</b>	<b>82</b>

## 8 INVESTMENTS

	Company Shares in group undertaking £000
<b>Cost and net book value</b>	
At 1 April 2014	1
At 31 March 2015	<b>1</b>

The Company's sole investment is a 100% interest in Shanks Dumfries and Galloway Limited, which is incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales.

In the opinion of the Directors' the aggregate value of the investment is not less than the amount stated in the balance sheet.

## 9 DEBTORS

	Group		Company	
	2015 £000	2014 £000	2015 £000	2014 £000
<b>Due within one year</b>				
Financial asset	444	772	-	-
Trade debtors	935	217	-	-
Deferred tax asset (note 10)	-	577	-	-
Amounts owed by group undertakings	-	-	204	204
Prepayments and accrued income	1,153	1,647	-	-
	<b>2,532</b>	<b>3,213</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>204</b>
<b>Due after more than one year</b>				
Financial asset	24,098	24,154	-	-
Amounts owed by group undertakings	-	-	3,413	3,413
	<b>24,098</b>	<b>24,154</b>	<b>3,413</b>	<b>3,413</b>

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## 10 DEFERRED TAX

	Group 2015 £'000	Group 2014 £'000
Deferred tax		
At 1 April	577	1,212
Charged to profit and loss account	(1,443)	(82)
Credited/ (charged) to other comprehensive income	163	(553)
At 31 March	(703)	577
Capital allowances	(3,889)	(2,829)
Tax losses	2,343	2,726
Cash flow hedges	843	680
	(703)	577

## Factors that may effect the future tax charges

Changes to the main rate of corporation tax were announced in The Finance Act 2013. These comprised a reduction in the main rate of corporation tax for the financial year beginning 1 April 2014 from 23% to 21% and a further reduction for the financial year beginning 1 April 2015 from 21% to 20%.

The deferred tax liability at 31 March 2015 has been calculated at 20% (31 March 2014: 20%) as this is the rate at which the reversal of the deferred tax liability is expected to occur.

Changes to the main rate of corporation tax were proposed by the UK Government in the Summer Budget in July 2015. These comprised a reduction in the main rate of corporation tax for the financial year beginning 1 April 2017 from 20% to 19% and a further reduction for the financial year beginning 1 April 2020 from 19% to 18%. These reductions had not been substantively enacted by the end of the accounting period and so have not been reflected in these accounts.

## 11 CREDITORS

	Group		Company	
	2015 £000	2014 £000	2015 £000	2014 £000
<b>Amounts falling due within one year</b>				
Bank loans (note 13)	1,008	1,124	-	-
Amounts owed to parent undertaking (note 13)	204	204	204	204
Amounts owed to related parties (note 16)	602	1,247	-	-
Trade creditors	54	-	-	-
Other taxation and social security	167	48	-	-
Deferred tax (note 10)	703	-	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	1,245	1,415	-	-
	<u>3,983</u>	<u>4,038</u>	<u>204</u>	<u>204</u>
<b>Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>				
Bank loans (note 13)	19,424	20,433	-	-
Amounts owed to parent undertaking (note 13)	3,413	3,413	3,413	3,413
Derivative financial instruments (note 14)	4,215	3,401	-	-
	<u>27,052</u>	<u>27,247</u>	<u>3,413</u>	<u>3,413</u>
<b>Analysis of debt:</b>				
Debt can be analysed as falling due:				
In one year or less	1,008	1,124	-	-
Between one and two years	1,395	2,403	-	-
Between two and five years	4,935	4,935	-	-
In five years or more	20,722	19,909	3,413	3,413
	<u>28,060</u>	<u>28,371</u>	<u>3,413</u>	<u>3,413</u>

## 12 PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES

	Group 2015 £'000	Group 2014 £'000
Aftercare provision		
At 1 April	437	381
Unwind of discount	81	56
At 31 March	<u>518</u>	<u>437</u>

The aftercare provision represents post-closure costs of landfill sites, including such items as monitoring, gas and leachate management and licensing. Amounts are estimated by management based on current best practice and technology available. These costs may be impacted by a number of factors including changes in legislation and technology. The dates of payments of these aftercare costs are uncertain but are anticipated to be over a period of approximately 30 years from closure of the relevant landfill site.

## 13 LOANS

## Bank loans

The Group has a £22.5 million loan facility provided by NIBC Bank N.V and NordDeutsche Landesbank in order to finance the construction of the project. The loan is repayable in instalments based on an agreed percentage amount of the total facility per annum until March 2025. The balance outstanding as at 31 March 2015 was £20,432,000 (2014: £21,557,000).

The loan is secured by a fixed and floating charge on the assets of the Group.

Interest on the facilities is charged at rates linked to LIBOR. The Group has entered into fixed interest rate swaps to mitigate its interest exposure, see note 14.

## Other loans

At 31 March 2014 Shanks Dumfries and Galloway Holdings Ltd owed £3,617,000 (2014: £3,617,000) to the immediate parent John Laing Environmental Assets Group (UK) Limited. The subordinated debt is unsecured and is subject to interest at 12% per annum. The debt is repayable by instalments from surplus funds to 2028. The balance owed includes £204,000 (2014: £204,000) of accrued interest.

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## 14 DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

	Group 2015 £000	Group 2014 £000
Derivatives that are designated and effective as hedging instruments carried at fair value		
Liabilities:		
Interest rate swaps	(4,215)	(3,401)
Deferred tax on cash flow hedges	843	680
	<u>(3,372)</u>	<u>(2,721)</u>
Interest rate swap contracts designated as hedges of variable interest rate risk of recognised financial liabilities		
	Notional principal value	
	2015	2014
	£000	£000
Outstanding receive floating pay fixed contracts:		
5 years +	20,436	21,560
	<u>20,436</u>	<u>21,560</u>

The expiry date of the swap is 31 March 2025. The fixed interest rate is 5.05%, and accretes and amortises in line with the expected profile of repayments.

The interest rate swap settles on a semi-annual basis. The floating rate on the interest rate swap is six months' LIBOR. The Group will settle the difference between the fixed and floating interest rate on a net basis.

All interest rate swap contracts are designated as hedges of variable interest rate risk of the Group's floating rate borrowings. The hedged cash flows are expected to occur and to affect profit or loss over the period to maturity of the interest rate swaps.

All of the fair value movements are recognised in other comprehensive income.

## 15 CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	Group		Company	
	2015 £000	2014 £000	2015 £000	2014 £000
Allotted, called up and fully paid				
1,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	1	1	1	1
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

## Other reserves

## Group

The Group's other reserves are as follows:

The profit and loss reserve represents cumulative profits or losses.

The hedging reserve represents the cumulative portion of gains and losses on hedging instruments deemed effective in hedging variable interest rate risk of recognised financial instruments. Amounts accumulated in this reserve are reclassified to profit or loss in the periods in which the hedged item affects profit or loss or when the hedging relationship ends.

## Company

The Company's other reserves are the profit and loss reserve, which represents cumulative profits or losses.

## 16 TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

During the year the Group had transactions with John Laing Investments Limited, John Laing Environmental Assets Group (UK) Limited and Shanks Waste Management Limited (SWM Ltd). SWM Ltd holds 20% of Shanks Dumfries and Galloway Holdings Limited and it holds the sub-contract to operate the waste management services. On 31 March 2014, John Laing Investments Limited sold its investment to John Laing Environmental Assets Group (UK) Limited.

	2015 £000	2014 £000
Group		
John Laing Investments Limited		
- Interest payable on sub-debt	-	210
- Balance payable at 31 March	-	-
John Laing Environmental Assets Group (UK) Limited		
- Interest payable on sub-debt	410	204
- Balance payable at 31 March	3,617	3,617
Shanks Waste Management Limited		
- Unitary gate fees and lifecycle	8,790	7,577
- Management fees	74	72
- Balance payable at 31 March	603	1,247
Company		
Shanks Dumfries and Galloway Limited		
- Interest receivable on sub-debt	410	414
- Balance payable at 31 March	3,617	3,617

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**17 RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

	2015	2014
	£000	£000
Operating profit	277	305
Decrease in debtors	159	217
(Decrease)/ increase in creditors	(559)	629
Net cash flow from operating activities	(123)	1,151

**18 ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING**

The Company's ultimate parent and controlling entity is John Laing Environmental Assets Group Limited, a company incorporated in Guernsey, Channel Islands.