ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

## **COMPANY INFORMATION**

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## STRATEGIC REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

#### Introduction

The directors present their strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2021.

#### **Business review**

Significant growth in 2021 has been driven by demand for Systal's class leading portfolio of managed and

transformation services. This organic trend will continue in 2022, underpinned by extended commitments from Systal long term customer relationships and new global service success stories together with Systal US and Systal APAC.

Key growth highlights include turnover increase of 32%. Gross Profit has increased to £16.1m and underlying Net Profit after tax of £7.56m.

Systal continues its investment strategy to support controlled growth through people development, expanded secure operating centre facilities and new technologies.

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

The main risks and uncertainties affecting the company continue to be competition within the IT industry, shortages of skilled staff and settlement of accounts.

#### Financial key performance indicators

The directors have concluded that analysis using key performance indicators to gain an understanding of the

development, performance or position of the company's business is not required due to the detail given in the financial statements.

#### Financial risk management

The company's financial instruments comprise cash at bank, invoice discounting facility, bank loans and hire purchase facilities. The main purpose of these instruments is to raise adequate finance for the company's operations.

The main risks arising from the company's financial instruments are interest rate fluctuations and liquidity risk. It is the company's policy to finance its operations through a mixture of cash and borrowing and to review periodically the mixture of these instruments with regard to the projected cash flow requirements of the company at an acceptable level of exposure.

#### Share capital

The share capital is owned by Systal Holdings Limited. See note 20 for further details regarding the ultimate parent company information.

### **Future developments**

The company is continuing to develop its worldwide customer base. The company continues to look for further development opportunities.

# STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

This report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf.

#### N J Nicolson

Director

Date: 30 September 2022

## DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

#### Directors' responsibilities statement

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic report, the Directors' 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 applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'. 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 for the Company's financial statements 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;
- 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 to 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 shown below have held office during the whole of the period 1 January 2021 to the date of the report:

Douglas Cumming
Neil John Nicolson
Gary James O'Neil
Scott Allan Taylor (appointed 3 March 2021)
John Howard Anderson (resigned 2 March 2021)

## Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are Directors at the time when this Directors' report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as the Director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and
- the Director has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a Director in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

#### Post balance sheet events

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

# DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

## **Auditors**

The auditors, Anderson Anderson & Brown Audit LLP, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf.

Neil John Nicolson Director

Date: 30 September 2022

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SYSTAL TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS LIMITED

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Systal Technology Solutions Limited (the 'Company') for the year ended 31 December 2021, which comprise the Statement of comprehensive income, the Balance sheet, the Statement of changes in equity and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 December 2021 and of its profit 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.

#### 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 Auditors' 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 United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our Auditors' report thereon. The Directors are responsible for the other information contained within the Annual Report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SYSTAL TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS LIMITED (CONTINUED)

#### Opinion 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.

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

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 material misstatements in the Strategic report or the Directors' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which 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.

#### Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the Directors' responsibilities statement set out on page 3, 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.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SYSTAL TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS LIMITED (CONTINUED)

#### Auditors' 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 Auditors' 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.

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:

- completing a risk-assessment process during our planning for this audit that specifically considered the risk of

#### fraud:

- enquiry of management about the company's policies, procedures and related controls regarding compliance with laws and regulations and if there are any known instances of non-compliance;
- examining supporting documents for all material balances, transactions and disclosures;
- enquiry of management, about litigations and claims and inspection of relevant correspondence
- evaluation of the selection and application of accounting policies related to subjective measurements and complex transactions;
- analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- specific audit testing on and review of areas that could be subject to management override of controls and potential bias, most notably around the key judgments and estimates, including the amounts recoverable on contracts, deprecation of fixed assets, carrying value of accruals and revenue recognition;
- considering management override of controls outside of the normal operating cycles including testing the appropriateness of journal entries recorded in the general ledger and other adjustments made in the preparation of the financial statements including evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions, outside the normal course of business.

We design our procedures so as to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence that the financial statements are not materially misstated due to non-compliance with laws and regulations or due to fraud or error.

We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations - this responsibility lies with management with the oversight of the directors.

Based on our understanding of the company and industry, discussions with management and directors we identified financial reporting standards and Companies Act 2006 as having a direct effect on the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

As part of the engagement team discussion about how and where the company's financial statements may be materially misstated due to fraud, we did not identify any areas with an increased risk of fraud.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that some material misstatements of the financial statements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with the ISAs (UK).

The potential effects of inherent limitations are particularly significant in the case of misstatement resulting from fraud because fraud may involve sophisticated and carefully organized schemes designed to conceal it, including deliberate failure to record transactions, collusion or intentional misrepresentations being made to us.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SYSTAL TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS LIMITED (CONTINUED)

## 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 Auditors' 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.

Angus McCuaig (Senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of Anderson Anderson & Brown Audit LLP

Citypoint 2 25 Tyndrum Street Glasgow G4 0JY

30 September 2022

# STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Turnover	3	36,709,512	27,810,723
Cost of sales		(20,356,878)	(19,494,318)
Gross profit		16,352,634	8,316,405
Administrative expenses		(6,948,787)	(2,875,642)
Other Operating Income	4	74,540	287,453
Operating profit	5	9,478,387	5,728,216
Interest Payable And Similar Expenses	9	(6,278)	(38,832)
Profit before tax		9,472,109	5,689,384
Tax on profit	10	(1,782,830)	(1,152,169)
Profit for the financial year		7,689,279	4,537,215
Other comprehensive income for the year			
Total comprehensive income for the year		7,689,279	4,537,215

The notes on pages 12 to 25 form part of these financial statements.

# SYSTAL TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS LIMITED REGISTERED NUMBER: SC345442

# BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note		2021 £		2020 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible Fixed Assets	12		3,300,883		806,949
			3,300,883		806,949
Current assets					
Debtors Within One Year	13	26,314,495		7,680,471	
Cash At Bank And In Hand		1,318,678		1,710,622	
		27,633,173	•	9,391,093	
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	14	(16,496,497)		(3,956,056)	
Net current assets			1 <b>1</b> ,136,676		5,435,037
Total assets less current liabilities			14,437,559		6,241,986
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due After More Than One Year	15		(712,423)		(76,882)
Provisions for liabilities			, , ,		,
Deferred tax	19	(62,910)		(103,107)	
			(62,910)		(103,107)
Net assets			13,662,226		6,061,997
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	20		154		154
Share Premium Account			64,950		64,950
Profit And Loss Account			13,597,122		5,996,893
			13,662,226		6,061,997

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on 30 September 2022.

## Neil John Nicolson

Director

The notes on pages 12 to 25 form part of these financial statements.

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Called up share capital £	Share premium account £	Profit and loss account £	Total equity £
At 1 January 2020	154	64,950	2,365,728	2,430,832
Comprehensive income for the year				
Profit for the year	-	-	4,537,215	4,537,215
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year			4,537,215	4,537,215
Dividends: Equity capital	-	-	(906,050)	(906,050)
Total transactions with owners	-	-	(906,050)	(906,050)
At 1 January 2021	154	64,950	5,996,893	6,061,997
Comprehensive income for the year				
Profit for the year			7,689,279	7,689,279
Other comprehensive income for the year				-
Total comprehensive income for the year		-	7,689,279	7,689,279
Dividends: Equity capital	-	-	(89,050)	(89,050)
Total transactions with owners	-	-	(89,050)	(89,050)
At 31 December 2021	154	64,950	13,597,122	13,662,226

The notes on pages 12 to 25 form part of these financial statements.

#### 1. General information

Systal Technology Solutions Limited is a private company, limited by shares, registered in Scotland. The

company's registered number is SC345442 and its registered office is Rowan House, 1 Robroyston Oval, Nova Business Park, Glasgow, G33 1AP.

The principal activity of the company is the provision of IT goods and services.

The financial statements are presented in Sterling, which is also the functional currency of the company.

#### 2. Accounting policies

#### 2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise specified within these accounting policies and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006.

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgement in applying the Company's accounting policies.

The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

#### 2.2 Going concern

In their assessment of going concern the directors have considered the impact on the business as a result of the COVID-19 virus. This has not had a significant, immediate impact on the company's operations given the online nature of much of the business. The directors continue to review the situation and any potential impact on the company's operations.

The company is in a strong financial position. Having considered budgets and cash flows, monthly management accounts and available working capital to include considerations for COVID-19, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The directors continue to believe the going concern basis of accounting appropriate in preparing the financial statements.

#### 2.3 Critical accounting judgements and estimates

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported for assets and liabilities as at the balance sheet date and the amounts reported for revenues and expenses during the year. However, the nature of estimation means that actual outcomes could differ from those estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

The key source of estimation uncertainty that has a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements is the value of the amounts recoverable on contracts.

## 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.4 Financial Reporting Standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The company has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland":

• the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

As the company is included in the consolidated financial statements of Sarah Topco Limited, it is entitled to take advantage of various disclosure exemptions within FRS 102. As a result, the company has elected not to prepare a cash flow statement.

#### 2.5 Related party exemption

The company has taken advantage of exemption, under Section 33 of Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', not to disclose related party transactions with other group companies.

#### 2.6 Revenue

Turnover represents the amounts derived from the provision of goods and services which fall within the company's ordinary activities, stated net of value added tax.

Turnover for the sale of goods is recognised when the company has transferred to the buyer the risks and rewards of ownership.

Turnover for the provision of services is recognised when the amount of revenue can be reliably measured, it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the entity and the stage of completion can be measured reliably.

#### 2.7 Grant income

Grant income is measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grant income received in the year has been recognised by the company using the accruals method. The grant income is recognised in income on a systematic basis over the periods in which the company recognises the related costs for which the grant is intended to compensate.

## 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.8 Foreign currency translation

#### Functional and presentation currency

The Company's functional and presentational currency is GBP.

#### Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the spot exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

At each period end foreign currency monetary items are translated using the closing rate. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction and non-monetary items measured at fair value are measured using the exchange rate when fair value was determined.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in profit or loss except when deferred in other comprehensive income as qualifying cash flow hedges.

Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to borrowings and cash and cash equivalents are presented in the Statement of comprehensive income within 'finance income or costs'. All other foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in profit or loss within 'other operating income'.

#### 2.9 Operating leases: the Company as lessee

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Benefits received and receivable as an incentive to sign an operating lease are recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term, unless another systematic basis is representative of the time pattern of the lessee's benefit from the use of the leased asset.

## 2.10 Pensions

## Defined contribution pension plan

The Company operates a defined contribution plan for its employees. A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Company pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. Once the contributions have been paid the Company has no further payment obligations.

The contributions are recognised as an expense in profit or loss when they fall due. Amounts not paid are shown in accruals as a liability in the Balance sheet. The assets of the plan are held separately from the Company in independently administered funds.

#### 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.11 Current and deferred taxation

The tax expense for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in profit or loss except that a charge attributable to an item of income and expense recognised as other comprehensive income or to an item recognised directly in equity is also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date in the countries where the Company operates and generates income.

Deferred tax balances are recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed by the balance sheet date, except that:

- The recognition of deferred tax assets is limited to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits; and
- Any deferred tax balances are reversed if and when all conditions for retaining associated tax allowances have been met.

Deferred tax balances are not recognised in respect of permanent differences except in respect of business combinations, when deferred tax is recognised on the differences between the fair values of assets acquired and the future tax deductions available for them and the differences between the fair values of liabilities acquired and the amount that will be assessed for tax. Deferred tax is determined using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

#### 2.12 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets under the cost model are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

At each reporting date the company assesses whether there is any indication of impairment. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined which is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. An impairment loss is recognised where the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, through either the reducing balance method or the straight-line basis..

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Rental assets - 20% straight-line basis

Motor vehicles - 20% reducing balance method Fixtures and fittings - 20% reducing balance method Property improvements - 10% straight-line basis

The assets' residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted prospectively if appropriate, or if there is an indication of a significant change since the last reporting date.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised in profit or loss.

## 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.13 Hire purchase

Rentals payable under hire purchase contracts are charged against the resultant creditor with any interest element being charged against income as the charges arise.

#### 2.14 Finance leased assets

Leases of assets that transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership are classified as finance leases.

Finance leases are capitalised at commencement of the lease as assets at the fair value of the leased asset or, if lower, the present value of the minimum lease payments calculated using the interest rate implicit in the lease. Where the implicit rate cannot be determined the company's incremental borrowing rate is used. Incremental direct costs, incurred in negotiating and arranging the lease, are included in the cost of the asset.

Assets are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and the estimated useful life of the asset. Assets are assessed for impairment at each reporting date.

The capital element of lease obligations is recorded as a liability on inception of the arrangement. Lease payments are apportioned between capital repayment and finance charge, using the effective interest rate method, to produce a constant rate of charge on the balance of the capital repayments outstanding.

#### 2.15 Amounts recoverable on contracts

Amounts recoverable on contracts results when the risks and rewards of ownership have passed for the provision of IT goods and services. For projects spanning the year end, amounts recoverable on contract arises based on the percentage of completion on the project.

#### 2.16 Deferred income

Deferred income results when payments have been received prior to the risks and rewards of ownership passing.

#### 2.17 Debtors

Short-term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment. Loans receivable are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

## 2.18 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents in the balance sheet comprise cash on hand and cash at bank with a short term of maturity, being 12 months or less, from the opening of the deposit or similar account.

#### 2.19 Creditors

Short-term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other financial liabilities, including bank loans, are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

## 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.20 Provisions for liabilities

Provisions are made where an event has taken place that gives the Company a legal or constructive obligation that probably requires settlement by a transfer of economic benefit, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Provisions are charged as an expense to profit or loss in the year that the Company becomes aware of the obligation, and are measured at the best estimate at the balance sheet date of the expenditure required to settle the obligation, taking into account relevant risks and uncertainties.

When payments are eventually made, they are charged to the provision carried in the Balance sheet.

## 2.21 Loans

Loans are measured initially at fair value, net of transactions costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### 2.22 Dividends

Equity dividends are recognised when they become legally payable. Interim equity dividends are recognised when paid. Final equity dividends are recognised when approved by the shareholders at an annual general meeting.

#### 3. Turnover

	2021 £	2020 £
Sales	36,709,512	27,810,723
Analysis of turnover by country of destination:		
	2021 £	2020 £
United Kingdom	35,618,960	27,601,559
Europe	297,590	203,509
Rest of the world	792,962	5,655
	36,709,512	27,810,723
4. Other operating income		
	2021 £	2020 £
Government grants receivable	74,540	287,453
	74,540	287,453

## 5. Operating profit

The operating	profit is stated	I after charging:

	2021 £	2020 £
Foreign currency gains/losses	116,170	88,975
Other operating lease rentals	203,405	181,814
Depreciation	284,392	117,231
Profit on disposal of fixed assets	-	(6,114)
Auditors' remuneration	29,000	15,500
Grant income	74,540	287,453
Auditors' remuneration	2021	2020
	£	£

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption not to disclose amounts paid for non audit services as these are disclosed in the group accounts of the parent Company.

29,000

262

197

15,500

## 7. Employees

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Staff costs, including Directors' remuneration, were as follows:

Fees payable to the Company's auditor and its associates for the audit of the Company's

	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	12,281,250	6,907,350
Social security costs	1,391,204	764,341
Pension costs	517,121	242,336
	14,189,575	7,914,027
The average monthly number of employees, including the Directors, during the year was as	follows:	
	2021	2020
	No.	No.
Admin	28	22
	234	175
Engineers		

## 8. Directors' remuneration

	2021 £	2020 £
Directors' emoluments	504,884	36,000
Company contributions to defined contribution pension schemes	36,989	36,000
	541,873	72,000

During the year retirement benefits were accruing to 4 Directors (2020 - 3) in respect of defined contribution pension schemes.

The Directors consider themselves as the key management personnel of the company so no further disclosure required.

## 9. Interest payable and similar expenses

2020 £ - 1,981 3,819
3,819
33,032
38,832
2020 £
-
1,123,220
1,123,220
1,123,220
28,949
28,949
1,152,169

## 10. Taxation (continued)

## Factors affecting tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is the same as (2020 - the same as) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2020 - 19%) as set out below:

		2021	2020 £
		£	£,
Pro	ofit on ordinary activities before tax	9,472,109	5,689,384
	ofit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% 020 - 19%)	1,799,701	1,080,983
Eff	ects of:		
Exp	penses not deductible for tax purposes	41,614	71,754
Ca	pital allowances for year in excess of depreciation	(18,288)	(29,517)
De	ferred tax movements	(40,197)	28,949
Tot	tal tax charge for the year	1,782,830	1,152,169
11. Div	vidends		
		2021	2020
		£	£
"A"	Ordinary shares	89,050	906,050
		89,050	906,050

## 12. Tangible fixed assets

	Rental assets	Motor vehicles	Fixtures and fittings	Improvements to property	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost or valuation					
At 1 January 2021	-	223,807	421,147	524,804	1,169,758
Additions	2,495,018	87,287	299,244	9,805	2,891,354
Disposals	-	-	(131,492)	-	(131,492)
At 31 December 2021	2,495,018	311,094	588,899	534,609	3,929,620
Depreciation					
At 1 January 2021	-	33,321	189,056	140,432	362,809
Charge for the year on owned assets	181,925	55,554	74,486	52,726	364,691
Disposals	-	-	(98,763)	-	(98,763)
At 31 December 2021	181,925	88,875	164,779	193,158	628,737
Net book value					
At 31 December 2021	2,313,093	222,219	424,120	341,451	3,300,883
At 31 December 2020		190,486	232,091	384,372	806,949

The net book value of assets held under hire purchase contracts as at 31 December 2021 was £211,487 (2020: £188,824).

## 13. Debtors

	2021	2020
	£	£
Trade debtors	12,587,573	4,914,558
Amounts owed by group companies	3,382,058	263,929
Other debtors	1,759	137,470
Prepayments	495,316	167,307
Amounts recoverable on contracts	9,847,789	2,197,207
	26,314,495	7,680,471

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## 14. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Bank loans < 1 yr	_	33,333
Trade creditors	3,215,133	755,540
Amounts owed to group undertakings	7,215,376	35,822
Corporation tax	1,423,617	525,098
Tax due to HMRC	2,546,967	1,489,798
Obligations under finance lease and hire purchase contracts	641,597	37,625
Other creditors	186,949	73,805
Accruals and deferred income	1,266,858	1,005,035
	16,496,497	3,956,056
15. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year		
	2021 £	2020 £
Net obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	712,423	76,882
	712,423	76,882
16. Hire purchase and finance leases		
Minimum lease payments under hire purchase and finance leases fall due as follows:		
	2021 £	2020 £
Within one year	350,222	37,625
Between one and five years	1,003,798	76,882
	1,354,020	114,507

#### 17. Secured debts

	2021	2020
	£	£
The following secured debts are included within creditors:		
HP liabilities < 1 year	58,847	37,625
HP liabilities > 1 year	53,826	76,882
Finance leases < 1 year	582,750	-
Finance leases > 1 year	658,597	-
Loans and overdrafts	-	33,333
	1,354,020	147,840

Hire purchase contracts are secured against the assets which the liability relates.

Finance leases are secured against the assets which the liability relates.

The Clydesdale Bank PLC held a floating charge over the assets of the company.

## 18. Financial instruments

	2021	2020
	£	£
Financial assets		
Financial assets measured at amortised cost	27,174,624	9,223,786
Financial liabilities		
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	(17,208,920)	(4,032,938)

Financial assets measured at amortised cost relate to cash at bank and in hand and debtors falling due within one year, excluding prepayments.

Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost relate to liabilities stated in notes 14 and 15.

Total interest expenditure for financial liabilities held at amortised cost relates to costs stated in note 9.

	2021	2020
	£	£
Interest income and expense		
Interest payable	6,278	38,832

## 19. Deferred taxation

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## 19. Deferred taxation (continued)

			2021 £
	At beginning of year Charged to profit or loss		(103,107) 40,197
	At end of year	_	(62,910)
	The provision for deferred taxation is made up as follows:		
		2021 £	2020 £
	Brought forward	(103,107)	(74,158)
	Accelerated capital allowances	40,197	(28,949)
		(62,910)	(103,107)
20.	Share capital		
		2021	2020
	Allotted, called up and fully paid	£	£
	150 (2020 - 150) A Ordinary shares of £1.00 each 4 (2020 - 4) B Ordinary shares of £1.00 each	150 4	150 4
		154	154

## 21. Pension commitments

The company contributes to a defined contribution scheme on behalf of certain directors and employees. The contributions amounted to £461,406 (2020: £242,336). At the year end there was £118,689 to be collected by the pension scheme providers (2020: £39,800).

#### 22. Commitments under operating leases

At 31 December 2021 the Company had future minimum lease payments due under non-cancellable operating leases for each of the following periods:

	2021 £	2020 £
Within one year	172,537	172,038
Between one and five years	958,831	1,091,683
	1,131,368	1,263,721

#### 23. Transactions with directors

The balance on the Director loan accounts are £nil (2020: Director 1 £33,698, Director 2 £73,504 and Director 3 £28,877 and all were owed to each Director respectfully) and they have been fully re-paid during the year.

## 24. Related party transactions

In the year ended 31 December 2021, the non-executive director provided consultancy services to the company. The consultancy services recognised within expenses for the year amounted to £5,750 (2020: £18,000).

### 25. Capital management

Capital comprises of share capital and reserves stated on the Balance Sheet. The company's objective when managing capital is to provide sufficient resources to allow the continued investment in new products that is required in the rapidly changing market in which the company operates and to safeguard the company's ability to continue as a going concern, so that it can continue to provide returns for shareholders.

The company manages capital by regularly monitoring its current and expected liquidity requirements rather than using debt/equity ratio analyses. No changes were made in the objectives, policies and processes during the year.

The company is not subject to either internally or externally imposed capital requirements.

## 26. Ultimate Parent company

Systal Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in Great Britain and registered in Scotland, was the immediate and ultimate parent company of Systal Technology Solutions Limited up until 2 March 2021. Systal Holdings Limited owns 100% of the share capital of Systal Technology Solutions Limited.

Copies of the consolidated financial statements of Systal Holdings Limited are available to the public from its registered office at Rowan House 1, Robroyston Oval, Glasgow, G33 1AP.

From the 2 March 2021, the ultimate parent company of Systal Technology Solutions Limited is Sarah Topco Limited, a company incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales.

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