# **Apple Corps Limited**

**Report and Financial Statements** 

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# **Directors' report**

## **Directors**

Y O Lennon

O T Harrison

B V Grakal

J L Eastman

## Secretary

J V Jones

## **Auditors**

Sopher + Co LLP
Chartered Accountants & Statutory Auditors
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Elstree Way
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Hertfordshire
WD6 1JD

## **Registered Office**

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# **Directors' report**

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 January 2015.

#### **Directors**

The Directors who served during the year were as follows:

Y O Lennon

O T Harrison

H L Gerrard

J L Eastman

B V Grakal replaced H L Gerrard as a director after the year end.

## Principal activities and review of the business

The group's principal activities during the year continued to be the exploitation of the audio, visual and ancillary activities relating to The Beatles.

#### Results and dividends

The consolidated profit for the year, after taxation, is £3,056,522 (2014 - profit of £2,211,843). Ordinary dividends of £1,400,000 (2014 - £5,000,000) were declared and paid during the year. The directors do not recommend a final dividend.

## **Future developments**

The group will continue to develop opportunities relating to its principal business activities.

#### Disclosure of information to the auditors

So far as each person who was a director at the date of approving this report is aware, there is no relevant audit information, being information needed by the auditors in connection with preparing their report, of which the auditors are unaware. Having made enquiries of fellow directors and the group's auditors, each director has taken all the steps that he/she is obliged to take as a director in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

#### **Auditors**

Under section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006, Sopher + Co LLP will be deemed to have been reappointed as auditors 28 days after these financial statements were sent to members or 28 days after the latest date prescribed for filing the accounts with the registrar, whichever is earlier.

By order of the Board

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## Group strategic report

The directors present their strategic report for the year ended 31 January 2015.

## **Business review**

The group continues to exploit audio, visual and ancillary activities relating to The Beatles. Group turnover decreased from £16.5 million to £15.9 million. Group profit for the year before taxation increased from £3.1 million to £4.2 million. After the payment of dividends, group net assets have increased from £11.5 million to £13.3million.

## Principal risks and uncertainties

The directors consider that the principal risks and uncertainties faced by the group relate to the general state of the worldwide music industry and the protection of copyrights.

The directors confirm that, in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, they have considered and reviewed the provisions relating to the financial risk management and polices of the group. As a result of the review, the directors have concluded that the group will be able to continue funding its activities through its cash reserves, retained profits and cash flows from ongoing activities.

## Financial key performance indicators

The directors consider turnover, profit and net assets to be the key performance indicators for the group.

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

Secretary

Date: If Sypember 2015

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# 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). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the group and the company and of the profit or loss of the group for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and 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 proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the group and 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 group and company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

## Independent auditor's report

for the year ended 31 January 2015

We have audited the financial statements of Apple Corps Limited for the year ended 31 January 2015, set out on pages 7 to 28. 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 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.

#### RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, 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 group's and the parent 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 Director's Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. 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's and the parent company's affairs as at 31 January 2015 and of the group's 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.

# Independent auditor's report

for the year ended 31 January 2015

#### OPINION ON OTHER MATTER PRESCRIBED BY THE COMPANIES ACT 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial period 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 by the parent company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- · certain disclosures of remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Stephen Iseman FCA (Senior statutory auditor)

18 Systember 2018

for and on behalf of Sopher + Co LLP

Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditors

5 Elstree Gate Elstree Way Borehamwood Hertfordshire WD6 1JD

Date:

# Group profit and loss account

for the year ended 31 January 2015

|  |        | 2015                     | 2014                       |
|--|--------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| ·  | Notes  | £                        | · £                        |
| Turnover Turnover: group and share of joint ventures' turnover Less: share of joint ventures' turnover |        | , ,                      | 34,962,700<br>(18,502,801) |
| Group turnover Administrative expenses   | 2      |                          | 16,459,899<br>(16,278,501) |
| Other operating income   |        | 1,569,032<br>1,036,000   | 181,398<br>1,025,000       |
| Group operating profit   | 3      | 2,605,032                | 1,206,398                  |
| Share of operating profit in joint ventures<br>Share of operating profit in associates                 |        | 843,004<br>715,928       | 1,045,299<br>808,904       |
|  |        | 1,558,932                | 1,854,203                  |
| Total operating profit: group and share of joint ventures and associates                               |        | 4,163,964                | 3,060,601                  |
| Interest receivable Interest payable and similar charges   | 6<br>7 | 21,285<br>(2)            | 27,961<br>(2)              |
| Profit on ordinary activities before taxation Tax on profit on ordinary activities                     | 8      | 4,185,247<br>(1,128,725) | 3,088,560<br>(876,717)     |
| Profit for the financial year attributable to members of the parent company                            |        | 3,056,522                | 2,211,843                  |
|  |        |                          |                            |

All amounts relate to continuing operations.

# Group statement of total recognised gains and losses

for the year ended 31 January 2015

|  | 2015      | 2014      |
|--|-----------|-----------|
|  | £         | £         |
| Profit for the financial year excluding share          |           |           |
| of profits of joint ventures and associates            | 1,651,484 | 545,905   |
| Share of joint ventures' profit for the year           | 843,004   | 1,045,299 |
| Share of associates' profit for the year               | 562,034   | 620,639   |
|  |           |           |
| Profit for the financial year attributable to members  |           |           |
| of the parent company                                  | 3,056,522 | 2,211,843 |
| Exchange difference on retranslation of net assets     | 1         |           |
| of subsidiary undertakings                             | 86,248    | (77,950)  |
| Total recognised gains and losses relating to the year | 3,142,770 | 2,133,893 |
| Total revegined game and ledged felating to the year   | 5,142,770 | 2,123,073 |
|  |           |           |

# **Group balance sheet**

at 31 January 2015

|  |          | 2015                     | 2014                     |
|--|----------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| mercus di constanti  | Notes    | £                        | £                        |
| Fixed assets Intangible assets   | 10       | _                        | _                        |
| Tangible assets  | 11       | 1,830,312                | 1,868,313                |
| Investment in joint ventures: Share of gross assets Share of gross liabilities | 12       | 2,839,606<br>(1,788,042) | 2,214,340<br>(1,871,647) |
| Investment in associates   | 12       | 1,051,564<br>996,668     | 342,693<br>1,209,634     |
|  | •        | 2,048,232                | 1,552,327                |
|  |          | 3,878,544                | 3,420,640                |
| Current assets Debtors Cash at bank and in hand                                | 13       | 4,795,750<br>11,848,864  | 4,372,889<br>11,054,288  |
|  |          | 16,644,614               | 15,427,177               |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year                                 | 14       | (7,231,325)              | (7,298,754)              |
| Net current assets   |          | 9,413,289                | 8,128,423                |
| Total assets less current liabilities  |          | 13,291,833               | 11,549,063               |
| Net assets   |          | 13,291,833               | 11,549,063               |
| Capital and reserves   |          | =                        |                          |
| Called up share capital Profit and loss account                                | 17<br>19 | 100<br>13,291,733        | 100<br>11,548,963        |
| Equity shareholders' funds   | 19       | 13,291,833               | 11,549,063               |
|  |          |                          |                          |

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf by:

Director

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J L Eastman Director

Date: Wolfstember 2011

Registered No 764797

# **Company balance sheet**

at 31 January 2015

|  |       | 2015        | 2014        |
|--|-------|-------------|-------------|
|  | Notes | £           | £           |
| Fixed assets                                   |       |             |             |
| Intangible assets                              | 10    | _           | _           |
| Tangible assets                                | 11    | 1,830,312   | 1,868,313   |
| Investments                                    | 12    | 176,536     | 176,536     |
|  |       | 2,006,848   | 2,044,849   |
| Current assets                                 |       |             |             |
| Debtors  | 13    | 4,593,370   | 4,154,050   |
| Cash at bank and in hand                       |       | 10,674,361  | 9,927,081   |
|  |       | 15,267,731  | 14,081,131  |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | 14    | (5,668,388) | (5,490,498) |
| oreanors. amounts raming due within one year   | 14    | (3,000,300) |             |
| Net current assets                             |       | 9,599,343   | 8,590,633   |
| Total assets less current liabilities          |       | 11,606,191  | 10,635,482  |
|  |       |             |             |
| Net assets                                     |       | 11,606,191  | 10,635,482  |
|  |       | , ,         |             |
| Capital and reserves                           |       | <u>=</u>    |             |
| Called up share capital                        | 17    | 100         | 100         |
| Profit and loss account                        | 19    | 11,606,091  | 10,635,382  |
|  |       |             |             |
| Equity shareholders' funds                     | 19    | 11,606,191  | 10,635,482  |
|  |       |             |             |

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf by:

Y O Lennon

Director

J L Eastman

Director

O T Harrison

Director

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Registered No 764797

Date: 18 Hapember 2018

# **Group statement of cash flows**

for the year ended 31 January 2015

|  |        | 2015        | 2014        |
|--|--------|-------------|-------------|
|  | Notes  | £           | £           |
| Net cash inflow from operating activities          | 20(a)  | 1,971,553   | 1,017,805   |
| Dividends from joint ventures and associates       |        |             |             |
| Dividends from joint ventures                      |        | 166,467     | 1,368,577   |
| Dividends from associates                          |        | 775,000     | 640,000     |
|  |        | 941,467     | 2,008,577   |
| Returns on investments and servicing of finance    | 20(b)  | 21,283      | 27,959      |
| Taxation   | 20(c)  | (728,062)   | (774,627)   |
| Capital expenditure and financial investment       | 20(d)  | (11,665)    | (9,094)     |
| Equity dividends paid                              | 18     | (1,400,000) | (5,000,000) |
| Increase /(decrease) in cash                       |        | 794,576     | (2,729,380) |
| Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net | funds  |             |             |
|  | 101100 | 2015        | 2014        |
|  | Notes  | £           | £           |
| Increase/(decrease) in cash                        | 20(e)  | 794,576     | (2,729,380) |
| Movement in net funds                              |        | 794,576     | (2,729,380) |
| Net funds at 1 February                            | 20(e)  | 11,054,288  | 13,783,668  |
| Net funds at 31 January                            | 20(e)  | 11,848,864  | 11,054,288  |
|  |        |             |             |

## Notes to the financial statements

at 31 January 2015

## 1. Accounting policies

### Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards.

#### Basis of consolidation

The group financial statements consolidate the financial statements of Apple Corps Limited and its subsidiary undertakings, drawn up to 31 January each year. No company profit and loss account is presented for Apple Corps Limited as permitted by section 408 of the Companies Act 2006.

Entities in which the group holds an interest on a long-term basis and are jointly controlled by the group and one or more other venturers under a contractual agreement are treated as joint ventures. In the group financial statements, joint ventures are accounted for using the gross equity method.

Entities other than subsidiary undertakings or joint ventures, in which the group has a participating interest and over whose operating and financial policies the group exercises a significant influence are treated as associates. In the group financial statements, associates are accounted for using the equity method.

#### Investments

In the parent company financial statements investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates are accounted for at cost.

The carrying values of fixed asset investments are reviewed for impairment if events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable.

#### Intangible fixed assets

Intangible fixed assets acquired separately from a business are capitalised at cost. They are amortised on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives up to a maximum of 20 years.

The carrying value of intangible fixed assets is reviewed for impairment at the end of the first full year following acquisition and in other periods if events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable.

### Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:

Freehold buildings - over 50 years
Fixtures, fittings and equipment - over 4 years
Website costs - over 3 years

Freehold land is not depreciated. The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable.

#### Royalty Income

Royalty income is accounted for on an accruals basis. Royalty audit claims are not booked as income until amounts arising from such claims are received by the group.

#### Returns

No provision is made for any reduction in royalties receivable in subsequent periods as a result of the return of products sold in respect of which royalties would normally have been accounted for during the year. Any reductions are accounted for as a deduction from turnover in subsequent periods.

## Notes to the financial statements

at 31 January 2015

### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

### Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. All differences are taken to the profit and loss account.

The financial statements of overseas subsidiary undertakings are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. The exchange differences arising on the retranslation of opening net assets are taken directly to reserves. All other translation differences are taken to the profit and loss account.

#### Deferred tax

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 have occurred at that date that will result in an obligation to pay more, or a right to pay less, tax with the following exceptions:

- provision is made for deferred tax that would arise on remittance of the retained earnings of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures only to the extent that, at the balance sheet date, dividends have been accrued as receivable; and
- deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that the directors consider that it is 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 on an undiscounted basis at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences reverse, based on tax rates and laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

## Obligations under operating leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term

### Affiliated Undertakings

In the financial statements, companies are described as affiliated to Apple Corps Limited if:

- (i) they have the same shareholders or ultimate shareholders as Apple Corps Limited; or
- (ii) the company is owned by one or more of the shareholders of Apple Corps Limited.

# Notes to the financial statements

# at 31 January 2015

### 2. Turnover

Turnover represents income derived from the group's continuing ordinary activities, stated net of value added tax, and is accounted for on an accruals bases.

It is the opinion of the directors that, in view of the nature of the group's business, the markets in which it operates do not differ substantially from each other and are, therefore, treated as one market for the purposes of disclosing the particulars of turnover in these financial statements.

## 3. Group operating profit

(a) This is stated after charging:

|  | 2013   | 2014   |
|--|--------|--------|
|  | £      | £      |
| Auditor's remuneration – audit services    | 35,000 | 35,000 |
| – taxation services*                       | 56,952 | 56,952 |
| Depreciation of owned fixed assets         | 49,666 | 56,469 |
| Operating lease rentals – office equipment | 1,533  | 3,507  |

<sup>\*</sup>The fees for taxation services all relate to the company and its UK subsidiaries.

### 4. Directors' remuneration

|                          | 2015              | 2014               |
|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
|                          | £                 | £                  |
| Fees<br>Other emoluments | 800,000<br>97,570 | 800,000<br>127,445 |
|                          | 897,570           | 927,445            |
|                          | <u></u>           |                    |

The aggregate emoluments of the highest paid director amounted to £250,894 (2014 - £250,990)

## 5. Staff costs

|       | £              |
|-------|----------------|
| •     | 1,396<br>9,413 |
| 1,870 | ),809          |
| 5 4   | 4 209          |

| 5. | Staff costs (continued) |  |
|----|-------------------------|--|
|    |                         |  |

|    | The average monthly number of employees, excluding directors, du | 2015      | 2014     |
|----|--|-----------|----------|
|    |  | No.       | No.      |
|    | Administration   | 12        | 13       |
|    |  |           |          |
| 6. | Interest receivable  |           |          |
|    |  | 2015      | 2014     |
|    |  | £         | £        |
|    | Bank interest receivable   | 21,285    | 27,346   |
|    | Other interest   | -         | 615      |
|    |  | 21,285    | 27,961   |
| 7. | Interest payable and similar charges                             |           |          |
| •  | morost payable and billing on an goo                             | 2015      | 2014     |
|    |  | £         | £        |
|    | Other interest   | 2         | 2        |
| 8. | Тах  |           |          |
| Ο. | - 2  |           |          |
|    | (a) Tax on profit on ordinary activities                         |           |          |
|    |  | 2015      | 2014     |
|    | Current tax:   | £         | £        |
|    | UK corporation tax on profit for the year                        | 511,233   | 177,197  |
|    | Adjustments in respect of prior periods                          | (3,845)   | (1,072)  |
|    | Double taxation relief   | (7,250)   | (38,179) |
|    |  | 500,138   | 137,946  |
|    | Foreign tax  | 465,926   | 534,703  |
|    | Share of associates' current tax                                 | 153,894   | 188,265  |
|    | Current tax attributable to joint ventures                       | 8,767     | 15,803   |
|    | Total current tax (note 8(b))                                    | 1,128,725 | 876,717  |
|    | Tax charge for the year  | 1,128,725 | 876,717  |

## 8. Tax (continued)

## (b) Factors affecting the current tax charge:

The tax assessed on the profit on ordinary activities for the year differs from the composite rate of corporation tax in the UK of 21.32% (2013 - 23.16%). The differences are reconciled below:

|   | 2015<br>£                                    | 2014<br>£   |
|---|--|---|
| Profit on ordinary activities before tax  | 4,185,247                                    | 3,088,560   |
| Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by composite rate of corporation tax in the UK of 21.32% (2014 – 23.16%)   | 892,432                                      | 715,310   |
| Effects of: Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Difference in recognising depreciation and capital allowances Other timing differences Prior year (over)/ under provision Overseas tax rate in excess of UK rate | 63,418<br>8,275<br>(7,464)<br>159<br>171,905 | 1,338<br>(12,006)<br>16,493<br>(4,254)<br>159,836 |
| Current tax for the year  | 1,128,725                                    | 876,717   |

## 9. Profit attributable to members of parent company

The profit dealt with in the financial statements of the parent company was £2,370,709 (2014 – £3,507,408).

## 10. Intangible fixed assets

| Group and Company   | Trademarks<br>£ |
|---|-----------------|
| Cost:<br>At 1 February 2014 and 31 January 2015           | 518,067         |
| Amortisation:<br>At 1 February 2014 and 31 January 2015   | 518,067         |
| Net book value:<br>At 1 February 2014 and 31 January 2015 |                 |

# 11. Tangible fixed assets

Group and Company

| Group and Company        |             |              |         |           |
|--------------------------|-------------|--------------|---------|-----------|
|                          | Freehold    | Fixtures,    |         |           |
|                          | land and    | fittings and | Website |           |
|                          | buildings   | equipment    | costs   | Total     |
| •                        | £           | £            | £       | £         |
| Cost:                    |             |              |         |           |
| At 1 February 2014       | 2,385,367   | 584,642      | 30,518  | 3,000,527 |
| Assets retired           | _           | (441,085)    | _       | (441,085) |
| Additions                | -           | 11,665       | -       | 11,665    |
| At 31 January 2015       | 2,385,367   | 155,222      | 30,518  | 2,571,107 |
| Depreciation:            |             |              |         |           |
| At 1 February 2014       | 543,630     | 558,066      | 30,518  | 1,132,214 |
| Assets retired           | _           | (441,085)    |         | (441,085) |
| Provided during the year | 37,604      | 12,062       | _       | 49,666    |
| At 31 January 2015       | 581,234     | 129,043      | 30,518  | 740,795   |
| Net book value:          |             |              |         |           |
| At 31 January 2015       | 1,804,133   | 26,179       | _       | 1,830,312 |
|                          | <del></del> |              |         |           |
| At 31 January 2014       | 1,841,737   | 26,576       | -       | 1,868,313 |
|                          |             |              |         |           |

|                    | •                  |  |
|--------------------|--------------------|--|
|                    |                    | Investments  |
| 2014               | 2015               | Group  |
| 2014<br>£          | 2015<br>£          |  |
|                    |                    | Joint ventures (a)   |
| 260,689<br>82,004  | 330,090            | The Cirque Apple Creation Partnership  |
| 62,004             | 721,474            | Cirque Apple Las Vegas, L.L.C.   |
| 342,693            | 1,051,564          |  |
|                    |                    | Associates (b)   |
| 797,829<br>411,805 | 767,142<br>229,526 | Maclen (Music) Limited Subafilms Limited   |
|                    |                    | Subulinia Zimites  |
| 1,209,634          | 996,668            |  |
| 1,552,327          | 2,048,232          |  |
|                    |                    | (a) Joint ventures   |
|                    |                    | (i) The Cirque Apple Creation Partnership  |
| £                  |                    |  |
| 260,689            |                    | At 1 February 2014   |
| 44,805             |                    | Share of profit retained by joint venture  |
| 24,596             |                    | Distributions Exchange rate differences  |
|                    |                    | •  |
| 330,090            |                    | At 31 January 2015   |
|                    | vs:                | Additional disclosures are given in respect of The Cirque Apple Creation Pacertain 25% thresholds under FRS 9 'Associates and Joint Ventures', as follows: |
| 2014               | 2015<br>£          |  |
| £                  | £                  |  |
| -                  |                    | Fixed assets   |
| 713,484            | 847,993            | Current assets   |
| 713,484            | 847,993            | Share of gross assets  |
| 452,795            | 517,903            | Liabilities due within one year  |
| 452,795            | 517,903            | Share of gross liabilities   |
| 260,689            | 330,090            | Share of net assets  |
|                    |                    |  |
|                    |                    |  |

## 12. Investments (continued)

| Inv        | restments (continued)   |                     | 4                              |
|------------|---|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| (i)        | The Cirque Apple Creation Partnership (continued)   |                     |                                |
|            | •   | 2015<br>£           | 2014<br>£                      |
| Tur        | nover   | 4,324,166           | 4,233,356                      |
|            | fit before tax<br>ation   | 44,805<br>—         | 64,914<br>-                    |
| Pro        | fit after tax   | 44,805              | 64,914                         |
| (ii)       | Cirque Apple Las Vegas, L.L.C.  |                     |                                |
|            |   |                     | £                              |
| Sha<br>Div | February 2014 re of profit retained by joint venture idends received  |                     | 82,004<br>798,199<br>(166,467) |
| EXC        | change differences  |                     | 7,738                          |
| At 3       | 31 January 2015   |                     | 721,474                        |
|            | ditional disclosures are given in respect of Cirque Apple Las Vegas, L.L. b thresholds under FRS 9 'Associates and Joint Ventures', as follows: | C., which exceeds   | certain                        |
| •          | ·   | 2015                | 2014                           |
|            |   | £                   | £                              |
|            | ed assets<br>rent assets  | 33,655<br>1,957,958 | 46,310<br>1,454,546            |
| Sha        | re of gross assets  | 1,991,613           | 1,500,856                      |
| Lial       | bilities due within one year  | 1,270,139           | 1,418,852                      |
| Sha        | re of gross liabilities   | 1,270,139           | 1,418,852                      |
| Sha        | re of net assets  | 721,474             | 82,004                         |

## 12. Investments (continued)

| 1  | ii | Cirque | Apple Las  | Vegas.  | L.L.C. (  | (continued) | ١ |
|----|----|--------|------------|---------|-----------|-------------|---|
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| • | • | • |  |            |            |
|---|---|---|--|------------|------------|
|   |   |   |  | 2015<br>£  | 2014<br>£  |
| Turnover                                |   |   |  | 14,409,259 | 14,269,445 |
| Profit before tax<br>Taxation           | • |   |  | 798,199    | 980,385    |
| Profit after tax                        |   |   |  | 798,199    | 980,385    |
|   |   |   |  |            |            |

<sup>(</sup>b) Associates

The figures presented for Maclen (Music) Limited represent the group's combined share of Maclen (Music) Limited and its subsidiary Maclen Joint Limited.

| At 1 February 2014 Share of profit retained by associate Dividends received | 797,829<br>524,313<br>(555,000) |
|---|---------------------------------|
| At 31 January 2015  | 767,142                         |

Additional disclosures are given in respect of Maclen (Music) Limited, which exceeds certain 25% thresholds under FRS 9 'Associates and Joint Ventures', as follows:

|                                 | 2015            | 2014            |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|                                 | £               | £               |
| Fixed assets Current assets     | 59<br>1,294,702 | 59<br>1,427,894 |
| Share of gross assets           | 1,294,761       | 1,427,953       |
| Liabilities due within one year | 527,619         | 630,124         |
| Share of gross liabilities      | 527,619         | 630,124         |
| Share of net assets             | 767,142         | 797,829         |
|                                 |                 |                 |

£

<sup>(</sup>i) Maclen (Music) Limited

Maclen (Music) Limited (continued)

## 12. Investments (continued)

At 1 February 2014

|                        | 2015      | 2014      |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|
|                        | £         | £         |
| Turnover               | 1,726,413 | 1,708,452 |
|                        |           |           |
| Profit before tax      | 668,206   | 705,979   |
| Taxation               | (143,893) | (164,163) |
| Profit after tax       | 524,313   | 541,816   |
|                        |           |           |
| (ii) Subafilms Limited |           |           |
|                        |           | £         |

Share of profit retained by associate 37,721
Dividends received (220,000)

At 31 January 2015 229,526

Additional disclosures are given in respect of Subafilms Limited, which exceeds certain 25% thresholds under FRS 9 'Associates and Joint Ventures', as follows:

| •                               | 2015       | 2014    |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------|
|                                 | . <b>£</b> | £       |
| Fixed assets                    | _          | _       |
| Current assets                  | 374,058    | 573,895 |
| Share of gross assets           | 374,058    | 573,895 |
| Liabilities due within one year | 136,047    | 153,605 |
| Deferred taxation               | 8,485      | 8,485   |
| Share of gross liabilities      | 144,532    | 162,090 |
| Share of net assets             | 229,526    | 411,805 |
|                                 |            |         |

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## 12. Investments (continued)

(ii) Subafilms Limited (continued)

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|---|----------------|--------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| •   |                |              | 2015               | 2014                |
|   |                |              | £                  | £                   |
| Turnover  |                |              | 120,878            | 214,285             |
| Profit before tax<br>Taxation                               |                |              | 47,722<br>(10,001) | 102,924<br>(24,102) |
| Profit after tax  |                |              | 37,721             | 78,822              |
| Company   | •              |              |                    |                     |
|   | Subsidiary     | Associated   | Joint              | T-4-1               |
|   | undertakings ı | undertakings | venture            | Total               |
|   | £              | £            | £                  | £                   |
| Cost:   |                |              |                    |                     |
| At 1 February 2014 and 31 January 2015                      | 12,881         | 171,700      | _                  | 184,581             |
|   |                |              |                    |                     |
| Amounts provided:<br>At 1 February 2014 and 31 January 2015 | (8,045)        | _            | -                  | (8,045)             |
| Net book value:   | <del></del>    |              |                    |                     |
| At 31 January 2015  | 4,836          | 171,700      | -                  | 176,536             |
| ,   |                |              |                    |                     |
|   |                |              |                    |                     |
| At 31 January 2014  | 4,836          | 171,700      | _                  | 176,536             |

## 12. Investments (continued)

Details of the investments in which the company holds 20% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital are as follows:

|                                 | Country of        | Proportion  |                              |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|------------------------------|
|                                 | Incorporation (or | of voting   |                              |
|                                 | registration) if  | rights and  | Nature                       |
|                                 | not Great Britain | shares held | of business                  |
| Subsidiary undertakings         |                   |             |                              |
| Apple Corps S.A. +              | Switzerland       | 100%        | Intermediate holding company |
| Apple Corps Inc.                | USA               | 100%*       | Intermediate holding company |
| Apple Records Inc. (California) | USA               | 100%*       | Exploitation of              |
| ••                              |                   |             | musical copyrights           |
| Apple Records Inc. (New York)   | USA               | 100%*       | Dormant                      |
| Apple Music Publishing Inc.     | USA               | 100%*       | Dormant                      |
| Apple Films Inc.                | USA               | 100%*       | Exploitation of              |
| ••                              |                   |             | film copyrights              |
| Apple Washington                | USA               | 100%        | Dormant                      |
| Apple Publicity Limited         |                   | 100%        | Dormant                      |
| Apple Management Limited        |                   | 100%        | Dormant                      |
| Apple Electronics Limited       |                   | 100%        | Dormant                      |
| Apple Charity (UK) Limited      |                   | 100%*       | Dormant                      |
| Python Music                    |                   |             |                              |
| Limited                         |                   | 100%        | Dormant                      |
| Apple Show Inc.                 | USA               | 100%        | Intermediate holding company |

<sup>\*</sup> Held by a subsidiary undertaking.

All shareholdings are ordinary shares or common stock.

<sup>+</sup> Year ended 31 December 2014

## 12. Investments (continued)

|                         |                     | portion of<br>ting rights |   |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---|
|                         |                     | ınd shares                | Nature  |
|                         |                     | held                      | of business                                     |
| Associated undertakings |                     |                           |   |
| Maclen (Music) Limited+ | 'C' ordinary shares | 20%                       | Holding company                                 |
| Maclen Joint Limited+   | Ordinary shares     | 20%                       | Exploitation of music rights                    |
| Subafilms Limited+      | Ordinary shares     | 23.9%                     | Marketing, production and distribution of films |

Maclen Joint Limited is held by an associated undertaking.

+ Year ended 31 December 2014

|   | voting rights |                                      |
|---|---------------|--------------------------------------|
|   | and shares    | Nature                               |
|   | held          | of business                          |
| Joint ventures  |               |                                      |
| The Cirque Apple Creation Partnership+                      | 50%           | Creation of musical performance      |
| Cirque Apple Las Vegas, L.L.C.* + (incorporated in the USA) | 50%           | Producing and presenting a live show |

Proportion of

The registered office address of The Cirque Apple Creation Partnership is 27 Ovington Square, London SW3 1LJ.

The principal place of business of Cirque Apple Las Vegas L.L.C. is 980 Kelly Johnson Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89119, USA.

## 13. Debtors

|   |           | Group     |             | Company   |
|---|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
|   | 2015      | 2014      | 2015        | 2014      |
|   | £         | £         | £           | £         |
| Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings | -         | _         | 433         | 115       |
| Amounts owed by associated undertakings | 465,033   | 551,984   | 465,033     | 551,984   |
| Amounts owed by joint ventures          | 23,044    | 45,669    | -           | _         |
| Amounts owed by affiliated undertakings | 168,607   | 179,075   | 8,000       | 32,315    |
| Corporation tax repayable               | 251,146   | 254,781   | 244,565     | 240,720   |
| Other debtors                           | 1,380,137 | 16,945    | 1,380,039   | 16,944    |
| Prepayments and accrued income          | 2,507,783 | 3,324,435 | 2,495,300   | 3,311,972 |
|   | 4,795,750 | 4,372,889 | 4,593,370   | 4,154,050 |
|   |           |           | <del></del> |           |

<sup>+</sup> Year ended 28 December 2014

<sup>\*</sup> Held by a subsidiary undertaking.

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

|   |           | Group     |           | Company   |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|   | 2015      | 2014      | 2015      | 2014      |
|   | £         | £         | £         | £         |
| Amounts owed to associated undertakings | 1,132,150 | 1,049,734 | 99,511    | 17,095    |
| Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings | -         | -         | 647       | -         |
| Amounts owed to affiliated undertakings | 332,327   | 305,625   | <u>:</u>  | -         |
| Amounts owed to joint ventures          | -         | 152,114   | -         | -         |
| Accruals and deferred income            | 5,113,416 | 5,301,475 | 5,012,457 | 5,206,196 |
| Corporation tax                         | 485,409   | 222,599   | 387,750   | -         |
| Other taxes and social security costs   | 168,023   | 267,207   | 168,023   | 267,207   |
|   | 7,231,325 | 7,298,754 | 5,668,388 | 5,490,498 |
|   |           |           |           |           |

## 15. Commitments under operating leases

At 31 January 2015 the group and company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below:

|                                |       | Other |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------|
|                                | 2015  | 20143 |
|                                | £     | £     |
| Operating leases which expire: |       |       |
| In two to five years           | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| •                              |       |       |

## 16. Contingent liabilities

The group and company are involved in various legal disputes in the ordinary course of business and, as at 31 January 2015, the directors are of the opinion that none of the claims or disputes of which they are aware will result in a material loss to the group and company.

## 17. Share capital

|     |                                      |     | 2015 |             | 2014      |
|-----|--------------------------------------|-----|------|-------------|-----------|
|     | Allotted, called up and fully paid   | No. | £    | No.         | £         |
|     | Ordinary shares of £1 each           | 100 | 100  | 100         | 100       |
|     |                                      |     |      |             |           |
| 18. | Dividends                            |     |      |             |           |
|     | 2                                    |     |      | 2015        | 2014      |
|     |                                      |     |      | £           | £         |
|     | Declared and paid during the year    |     |      |             |           |
|     | Equity dividends on ordinary shares: |     |      |             |           |
|     | Interim                              |     |      | 1,400,000   | 5,000,000 |
|     |                                      |     |      | <del></del> |           |

## 19. Reconciliation of shareholders' funds and movements on reserves

| 19. | neconciliation of shareholders, funds and moveme                 | nts on res     | erves        |             |
|-----|--|----------------|--------------|-------------|
|     |  |                |              | Total       |
|     |  |                | Profit       | share-      |
|     |  | Share          | and loss     | holders'    |
|     | Group  | capital        | account      | funds       |
|     |  | £              | £            | £           |
|     | At 1 February 2013   | 100            | 14,415,070   | 14,415,170  |
|     | Profit for the year  | _              | 2,211,843    | 2,211,843   |
|     | Exchange differences on retranslation                            |                |              |             |
|     | of subsidiary undertakings                                       | _              | (77,950)     | (77,950)    |
|     | Dividends declared and paid                                      | _              | (5,000,000)  | (5,000,000) |
|     | At 1 February 2014   | 100            | 11,548,963   | 11,549,063  |
|     | Profit for the year  | _              | 3,056,522    | 3,056,522   |
|     | Exchange differences on retranslation                            |                |              |             |
|     | of subsidiary undertakings                                       | _              | 86,248       | 86,248      |
|     | Dividends declared and paid                                      | -              | (1,400,000)  | (1,400,000) |
|     | At 31 January 2015   | 100            | 13,291,733   | 13,291,833  |
|     |  |                |              |             |
|     | Company  |                |              | Total       |
|     |  | Share          | Profit       | share-      |
|     |  |                | account      | funds       |
|     |  | capital<br>£   | accouni<br>£ | junas<br>£  |
|     |  | £              | £            | £           |
|     | At 1 February 2013   | 100            | 12,127,974   | 12,128,074  |
|     | Profit for the year  | _              | 3,507,408    | 3,507,408   |
|     | Dividends declared and paid                                      | -              | (5,000,000)  | (5,000,000) |
|     | At 1 February 2014   | 100            | 10,635,382   | 10,635,482  |
|     | Profit for the year  | _              | 2,370,709    | 2,370,709   |
|     | Dividends declared and paid                                      | _              | (1,400,000)  | (1,400,000) |
|     | At 31 January 2015   | 100            | 11,606,091   | 11,606,191  |
|     | 71. 31 January 2013  |                |              |             |
| 20. | Notes to the statement of cash flows                             |                |              |             |
|     | (a) Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash inflow from o | perating activ | vities:      |             |
|     | (-)  | 8              |              | 2014        |
|     |  |                | 2015         | 2014        |
|     | •  |                | £            | £           |
|     | Group operating profit   |                | 2,605,032    | 1,206,398   |
|     | Depreciation   |                | 49,666       | 56,469      |
|     | Unrealised exchange differences                                  |                | 73,590       | (61,744)    |
|     | (Increase)/decrease in debtors                                   |                | (426,496)    |             |
|     | Decrease in creditors  |                | (330,239)    | (1,387,234) |
|     | Net cash inflow from operating activities                        |                | 1.971.553    | 1,017,805   |
|     | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·                            |                | _,           |             |
|     |  |                |              |             |

| 20. | Note<br>(b) | es to the statement of cash flows (continued) Returns on investments and servicing of finance |            |                        |                                   |
|-----|-------------|---|------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|     | (-)         |   |            | 2015<br>£              | 2014<br>£                         |
|     |             | st received<br>st paid  |            | 21,285<br>(2)          | 27,961<br>(2)                     |
|     |             |   |            | 21,283                 | 27,959                            |
|     | (c)         | Taxation  |            | 2015<br>£              | 2014<br>£                         |
|     | Corpo       | oration tax recovered<br>oration tax paid<br>seas tax paid                                    |            | (125,000)<br>(603,062) | 154,480<br>(440,000)<br>(489,107) |
|     |             |   |            | (728,062)              | (774,627)                         |
|     | (d)         | Capital expenditure and financial investment  |            |                        |                                   |
|     |             |   |            | 2015<br>£              | 2014<br>£                         |
|     | Paym        | ents to acquire tangible fixed assets   |            | (11,665)               | (9,094)                           |
|     |             |   |            | (11,665)               | (9,094)                           |
|     | (e)         | Analysis of changes in net funds  |            |                        |                                   |
|     |             |   | At         |                        | At                                |
|     |             |   | 31 January | Cash                   | 31 January                        |
|     |             |   | 2014<br>£  | flows<br>£             | 2015<br>£                         |
|     | Cash        | at bank and in hand   | 11,054,288 | 794,576                | 11,848,864                        |
|     |             |   |            |                        |                                   |

## 21. Related party transactions

- (a) Amounts charged to the profit and loss account include fees for the promotional services of the beneficial shareholders (Sir J P McCartney, Mr R Starkey, Mrs Y O Lennon and Mrs O T Harrison) amounting to £1,430,250 each (2014 £1,277,650 each) and name and likeness payments amounting to £1,037,750 each (2014 £1,349,525 each).
- (b) The company is party to an agreement with Maclen (Music) Limited and its wholly owned subsidiary undertaking, Maclen Joint Limited, in which Mrs Y O Lennon and Sir J P McCartney each has a direct interest of 40% in the share capital. Apple Corps Limited provides administration services to Maclen Joint Limited for which £1,036,000 was included as income in the profit and loss account in the year (2014 £1,025,000).
- (c) During the year, the company paid a dividend of £350,000 (2014 £1,250,000) to Mrs Y O Lennon, a director and shareholder of the company.
- (d) At 31 January 2015, the company had the following receivables/(payables) with companies in which one or more of the shareholders of Apple Corps Limited has a beneficial interest:-

|                          | 2013     | 2014     |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
|                          | £        | £        |
| Maclen (Music) Limited   | -        | 2,311    |
| Maclen Joint Limited     | 465,033  | 549,673  |
| Subafilms Limited        | (99,511) | (17,095) |
| Apple Publishing Limited | 5,000    | 20,000   |
| Apple Films Limited      | 3,000    | 12,315   |
|                          |          |          |

## 22. Controlling party

The company has no ultimate controlling party.

2014