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Hatchards UK Limited

Accounts

As at 27 April 2019



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BALANCE SHEET

	As at 27 April 2019 £000	As at 28 April 2018 £000
Notes		
Assets		
Current assets		
Amount due from immediate parent undertaking	20,000	20,000
	20,000	20,000
Total assets	20,000	20,000
Net assets	20,000	20,000
Equity		
Called up share capital	20,000	20,000
Total equity	20,000	20,000

For the period ended 27 April 2019 the Company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 480 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to dormant companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

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

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The Balance sheet and Notes to the financial statements on pages 1 to 3 were approved by the Board of Directors on 27 January 2020 and were signed on its behalf by:



A J Daunt
Director

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements of the Company are made up to the Saturday on or immediately preceding 30 April each year. Consequently, the financial statements for the current period cover the 52 weeks ended 27 April 2019, whilst the comparative period covered the 52 weeks ended 28 April 2018.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union and as applied in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006.

Related parties

IFRS requires wholly owned fellow subsidiaries to disclose related party transactions. The Company did not trade during the period and therefore had no transactions with related parties.

Cash flow statement

Under IFRS, the Company is required to prepare a cash flow statement showing the movements in cash and cash equivalents. However, as the Company did not trade, no movement in cash and cash equivalents occurred and therefore a cash flow statement is not presented.

New accounting standards

The Company has adopted the following amended accounting standards which were mandatory for the first time for the financial period ending 27 April 2019. They have no material impact on the Company.

- IFRS 7 Financial instruments: Disclosures: Additional hedge accounting disclosures (and consequential amendments resulting from the introduction of the hedge accounting chapter in IFRS 9), effective when IFRS 9 is applied;
- IFRS 9 Financial instruments: Finalised issue, effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018;
- IFRS 15 Revenue from contracts with customers: Original issue and Clarifications to IFRS 15, both effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018;
- IAS 39 Financial instruments: Recognition and measurement: Amendments to permit an entity to elect to continue to apply the hedge accounting requirements in IAS 39 for a fair value hedge of the interest rate exposure of a portion of a portfolio of financial assets and financial liabilities when IFRS 9 is applied and to extend the fair value option to certain contracts that meet the 'own use' scope exception, effective when IFRS 9 is applied; and
- IFRIC 22 — Foreign currency transactions and advance consideration, effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018.

The Company has not adopted early the requirements of the following accounting standards and interpretations, which have an effective date after the start date of these financial statements.

- IFRS 9 Financial instruments: Amendments regarding prepayment features with negative compensation and modifications of financial liabilities, effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019;
- IFRS 16 Leases: Original issue, effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019;
- IAS 8 Accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates and errors: Amendments regarding the definition of material, effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2020;
- IAS 12 Income taxes: Amendments resulting from Annual Improvements 2015-2017 Cycle (income tax consequences of dividends), effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019;
- IAS 19 Employee benefits: Amendments regarding plan amendments, curtailments or settlements, effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019;
- IAS 23 Borrowing costs: Amendments resulting from Annual Improvements 2015-2017 Cycle (borrowing costs eligible for capitalisation), effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019; and
- IFRIC 23 — Uncertainty over income tax treatments, effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019.

The Company intends to adopt these standards when they become effective.

As the Company prepares its financial statements in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union, the application of new standards and interpretations will be subject to their having been endorsed for use in the EU via the EU endorsement mechanism.

The Directors do not anticipate that the adoption of these standards and interpretations will have a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

2. Share capital

	27 April 2019 £000	28 April 2018 £000
Authorised:		
20,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	20,000	20,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid:		
20,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	20,000	20,000

The Company has one class of share capital, namely £1 ordinary shares, of which there are 20,000,000 allotted, all fully paid. There are no special rights or preferences attaching to the shares, and there are no restrictions on the distribution of dividends and the repayment of capital.

3. Parent undertaking

During the prior period, the ultimate UK parent undertaking, Lynwood Retail UK Limited, undertook an exercise to sell a majority equity stake in the Company's parent undertaking, Waterstones Booksellers Limited. The sale completed during the period under review on 1 June 2018 and control of the Company passed to the new owner on this date.

Following sale completion there was no change to the Company's next senior holding company, Waterstones Booksellers Limited, but the ultimate parent company became Book Retail Investco Limited (incorporated in Jersey). Book Retail Investco Limited is wholly owned and controlled by the Elliott funds. The Elliott funds receive investment advice, directly and indirectly, from their investment adviser Elliott Management Corporation, incorporated in the U.S.A., and its affiliates.

For the period before sale completion, the largest and smallest group, including the Company, for which consolidated accounts are prepared is that headed by Lynwood Retail UK Limited. Copies of these financial statements can be obtained from the Company Secretary, 4 Hill Street, London, England, W1J 5NE.

Following sale completion, the largest group, including the Company, for which consolidated accounts are prepared is that headed by Book Retail Midco Limited, the smallest group is that headed by Book Retail Bidco Limited. Copies of both of these financial statements can be obtained from the Company Secretary, 203-206 Piccadilly, London, W1J 9HD.