# SKY COMEDY LIMITED

Annual report and financial statements For the year ended 31 December 2022

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# **Directors and Officers**

For the year ended 31 December 2022

## **Directors**

Sky Comedy Limited's (the "Company") present Directors and those who served during the year are as follows:

S Robson

P Wedlock

T C Richards

# Secretary

Sky Corporate Secretary Limited

# Registered office

**Grant Way** 

Isleworth

Middlesex

**United Kingdom** 

**TW7 5QD** 

# **Auditor**

Deloitte LLP

Statutory Auditor

London

United Kingdom

# Strategic and Directors' Report

## Strategic Report for the year ended 31 December 2022

The Directors present their Strategic Report on the affairs of the Company, together with the Directors' Report, Auditor's Report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022, with comparatives for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The purpose of the Strategic Report is to inform members of the Company and to help them assess how the Directors have performed their duty to promote the success of the Company for the benefit of its members as a whole under Section 172(1) of the Companies Act 2006 (duty to promote the success of the Company).

#### Business review and principal activity

The Company operates, together with Comcast Corporation ("Comcast") and its other subsidiaries, as a part of the Comcast Group. The Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sky Ventures Limited (the immediate parent company) and operates together with its subsidiaries (the "Sky Group" or "Group"). The Company is ultimately controlled by Comcast.

The Company's principal activity is to act as a holding company. The company has a 25% interest in Paramount UK Partnership ("PUK"), a joint venture partnership whose principal activity is the broadcasting of two general entertainment channels called 'Comedy Central UK' and 'Comedy Central Extra' to multi-channel subscribers. In addition to these mainstream channels, both are accompanied by a +1 channel (a delayed multiplex of 'Comedy Central UK' also broadcast as a high definition ("HD") simulcast. The Company has no plans to change its investment in Paramount UK Partnership.

The Directors are not aware, at the date of this report, of any likely major changes in the Company's activities in the next year.

#### **Financial Review and Dividends**

The audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 are set out on pages 9 to 19. The profit after tax for the year was £5,007,000 (2021: £5,729,000). During the year the Company had investment income of £5,000,000 (2021: £7,500,000).

The Balance Sheet shows that the Company's total shareholder's equity position at the year end was increased to £67,103,000 (2021: £62,096,000), with the difference being in line with profit for the year. The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend for the year ended 31 December 2022 (2021:£nil).

During the year the Company transitioned from reporting under UK-adopted IFRS Accounting Standards to reporting under Financial Reporting Standard 101, 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' ("FRS 101"). This transition has not led to any changes to any accounting policies in comparison to the prior-year and no previously reported numbers have been restated as a result of the transition

A list of the disclosure exemptions taken following the adoption of FRS 101 is included in note 2.

#### Key performance indicators (KPIs)

Comcast and the Company manage their operations on a divisional basis. For this reason, the Directors believe that an analysis using KPIs for the Company is not necessary or appropriate for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the Company.

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

The Company's activities expose it to financial risks, namely credit risk and liquidity risk. The Directors do not believe the Company is exposed to significant foreign exchange risk, cash flow risk or price risk.

Approved by the Board and signed on its behalf by

P Wedlock Director

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**Grant Way** Isleworth Middlesex United Kingdom **TW7 5QD** 

Date: 10 August 2023

# Strategic and Directors' Report (continued)

#### Directors' Report for the year ended 31 December 2022

The Directors present their report and the audited financial statements of Sky Comedy Limited (the "Company") for the year ended 31 December 2022.

#### **Directors**

The Directors who served during the year are shown on page 1.

The Company has chosen, in accordance with section 414C(11) of Companies Act 2006, to include such matters of strategic importance to the Company in the Strategic Report which otherwise would be required to be disclosed in the Directors' Report.

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The Company's business activities together with the factors likely to affect its future development and performance are set out in the Business Review. The Strategic Report details the financial position of the Company, as well as the Company's objectives and policies, and details of its exposures to risk.

Given the integrated nature of the Group's financial planning and treasury functions, funding requirements has been assessed at the Group level. The Directors believe that the cash flow from operating activities generated by the businesses, together with the Company's existing cash, cash equivalents, investments and available borrowings under its existing credit facilities, including the £6 billion revolving credit facility with Comcast, will be sufficient for the Company to meet its current and long-term liquidity and capital requirements.

We further highlight that the Company has received confirmation that Comcast intends to support the Company for a period of at least 12 months from the date of signing of these financial statements.

As a result, after making enquiries, the Directors have formed a judgement at the time of approving the financial statements that the Company will have access to adequate resources to continue in existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

#### **Auditor**

Deloitte LLP have expressed their willingness to continue as auditor and a resolution to reappoint them was approved by the Board of Directors on 10 August 2023.

#### Financial risk management

The Company's activities expose it to financial risks, namely credit risk and liquidity risk. The Directors do not believe the Company is exposed to significant foreign exchange risk, cash flow risk or price risk.

#### Credit risk

The Balance Sheet of the company includes intercompany balances and the Company is therefore exposed to credit risk on these balances.

Given the amount and nature of the receivables balance, no allowance account has been made under IFRS 9, and there has been no write-off during the year.

# Liquidity risk

The Company relies on the Comcast Group Treasury function to manage its liquidity and ensure that sufficient funds are available for ongoing operations and future developments. Sky Limited and its subsidiaries ("the Sky Group") currently have access to a £6 billion revolving credit facility with Comcast Corporation which is due to expire in 2027. The Company benefits from this liquidity through intra-group facilities and loans.

# Strategic and Directors' Report (continued)

Approved by the Board and signed on its behalf,

. P Wedlock

Director

Grant Way Isleworth Middlesex United Kingdom TW7 5QD

10 August 2023

# Directors' responsibilities statement

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

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors are required to prepare the financial statements in accordance with with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law), including FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework". Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are required to:

- · select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- · make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will
  continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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

# Auditor's report

## Independent auditor's report to the members of Sky Comedy Limited

# Report on the audit of the financial statements

#### Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements of Sky Comedy Limited (the 'company'):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2022 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, including Financial Reporting Standard 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework" and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements which comprise:

- the income statement:
- the balance sheet:
- the statement of changes in equity; and
- the related notes 1 to 12.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report.

We are independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the Financial Reporting Council's (the 'FRC's') Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

# Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

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

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

# Auditor's report (continued)

## Independent Auditor's report to the members of Sky Comedy Limited (continued)

#### Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at: http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

## Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below.

We considered the nature of the company's industry and its control environment, and reviewed the company's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to fraud and compliance with laws and regulations. We also enquired of management, internal audit and the directors about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities, including those that are specific to the company's business sector.

We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework that the company operates in, and identified the key laws and regulations that:

- had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. These included UK Companies Act and relevant tax legislation; and
- do not have a direct effect on the financial statements but compliance with which may be fundamental to the company's ability to operate or to avoid a material penalty. These included Employment Law, the Data Protection Act 2018 and the Bribery Act 2010.

We discussed among the audit engagement team including relevant internal specialists such as tax and IT, regarding the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud and how and where fraud might occur in the financial

In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are also required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override. In addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, we tested the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments; assessed whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias; and evaluated the business rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.

In addition to the above, our procedures to respond to the risks identified included the following:

- reviewing financial statement disclosures by testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with provisions of relevant laws and regulations described as having a direct effect on the financial statements;
- performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud;
- enquiring of management, in-house and external legal counsel concerning actual and potential litigation and claims, and instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations; and
- reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance and reviewing internal audit reports.

# Auditor's report (continued)

Independent Auditor's report to the members of Sky Comedy Limited (continued)

# Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

#### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the strategic report and the directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the strategic report and the directors' report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified any material misstatements in the strategic report or the directors' report.

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

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report in respect of the following matters if, in our opinion:

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

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Jon Young, FCA (Senior statutory auditor)

For and on behalf of Deloitte LLP

Statutory Auditor

London, United Kingdom

10 August 2023

# **Income Statement**

For the year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022	2021
<u> </u>		£'000	£'000
Investment income	3	5,000	7,500
Profit before tax	4	5,000	7,500
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Profit for the year attributable to equity shareholder		5,007	5,729

For the years ended 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021, the Company did not have any items of other comprehensive income, and therefore no separate Statement of Other Comprehensive Income has been prepared.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this Income Statement.

All results relate to continuing operations.

# **Balance Sheet**

As at 31 December 2022

	Notes .	2022 £'000	2021 £'000
Non-current assets			
Investment in joint venture		-	-
Trade and other receivables	6	63,750	67,125
Total non-current assets		63,750	67,125
Current assets			
Trade and other receivables	6	8,375	_
Total current assets		8,375	-
Total assets		72,125	67,125
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	7	5,022	5,029
Total current liabilities		5,022	5,029
Net current assets/(liabilities)		3,353	(5,029)
Total liabilities		5,022	5,029
Share capital	10	-	-
Retained Earnings		67,103	62,096
Total equity attributable to equity shareholder		67,103	62,096
Total liabilities and shareholder's equity	·	72,125	67,125

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this balance sheet.

The financial statements of Sky Comedy Limited, registered number 03079609 were approved by the Board of Directors on 10 August 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

P Wedlock

Director

10 August 2023

# Statement of Changes in Equity

For the year ended 31 December 2022

	Share	e Retained sharehole	
	Capital £'000	earnings £'000	equity £'000
At 1 January 2021	÷	56,367	56,367
Profit for the year		5,729	5,729
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	5,729	5,729
At 31 December 2021	-	62,096	62,096
Profit for the year	-	5,007	5,007
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	5,007	5,007
At 31 December 2022	- ^	67,103	67,103

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this Statement of Changes in Equity.

# Notes to the financial statements

#### 1. Company information

Sky Comedy Limited (the "Company") is a private company limited by shares, incorporated in the United Kingdom and registered in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is Grant Way, Isleworth, Middlesex, TW7 5QD, United Kingdom and registered number is 03079609.

The Company's functional currency and presentational currency is pounds sterling.

The company's principal activities are set out in the strategic report.

## 2. Significant accounting policies

# a) Statement of compliance

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101, 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' ("FRS 101"), in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

The Company meets the definition of a qualifying entity under FRS 100 'Application of Financial Reporting Requirements' issued by the Financial Reporting Council. During the year ended 31 December 2022 the Company transitioned from reporting under UK-adopted IFRS Accounting Standards ("IFRS") to reporting under FRS 101. This transition has not led to any changes to any accounting policies in comparison to the prior-year and no previously reported numbers have been restated as a result of the transition.

In preparing these financial statements, the Company applies the recognition, measurement and disclosure requirements of IFRS, but makes amendments where necessary in order to comply with the Companies Act 2006 and to take advantage of FRS 101 disclosure exemptions.

#### b) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis and on an historical cost basis, except for the remeasurement to fair value of certain financial assets and liabilities as described in the accounting policies below.

The Company's business activities together with the factors likely to affect its future development and performance are set out in the Business Review. The Strategic Report details the financial position of the Company, as well as the Company's objectives and policies, and assessment of risk.

Given the integrated nature of the Group's financial planning and treasury functions, funding requirements has been assessed at the Group level. The Directors believe that the cash flow from operating activities generated by the businesses, together with the Company's existing cash, cash equivalents, investments and available borrowings under its existing credit facilities, including the £6 billion revolving credit facility with Comcast, will be sufficient for the Company to meet its current and long-term liquidity and capital requirements.

The Company has received confirmation that Comcast intends to support the Company for a period of at least 12 months from the date of signing of these financial statements.

As a result, after making enquiries, the Directors have formed a judgement at the time of approving the financial statements that the Company will have access to adequate resources to continue for at least twelve months from the signing of the financial statements. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

The Company has classified assets and liabilities as current when they are expected to be realised in, or intended for sale or consumption in, the normal operating cycle of the Company.

The Company has adopted the new accounting pronouncements which became effective for this year.

# c) Financial assets and liabilities

Directly attributable transaction costs are included in the initial measurement of financial assets and liabilities only with respect to those assets and liabilities that are not subsequently measured at fair value through profit and loss. At each balance sheet date, the Company assesses whether there is any objective evidence that any financial asset is impaired.

Financial assets and liabilities are initially recognised at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Financial assets and liabilities are recognised on the Company's Balance Sheet when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial asset or liability. Financial assets are derecognised from the Balance Sheet when the Company's contractual rights to the cash flows expire or the Company transfers substantially all the risks and rewards of the financial asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised from the Company's Balance Sheet when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires. Financial assets are determined to be current or non-current based on expected settlement, whilst financial liabilities are determined to be current or non-current based on their contractual settlement date.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position when there is a currently enforceable legal right to set off the recognised amounts and there is the ability and intention to settle on a net basis, or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### i. Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and, where no stated interest rate is applicable, are measured at the original invoice amount, if the effect of discounting is immaterial. Where discounting is material, trade and other receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

An allowance account is maintained to reduce the carrying value of trade and other receivables for impairment losses provided for on an expected loss model according to IFRS 9, with movements in the allowance account, either from increased impairment losses or reversals of impairment losses, being recognised in the Income Statement.

#### i. Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are non-derivative financial liabilities and are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Trade and other payables with no stated interest rate, are measured at the original invoice amount if the effect of discounting is immaterial.

#### d) Tax, including deferred tax

The Company's liability for current tax is based on taxable profits for the year, and is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date. Tax losses are surrendered as far as possible to other group entities with taxable profits.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognised using the balance sheet liability method, providing for temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the Balance Sheet and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profits.

Taxable temporary differences arising from the goodwill and initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting profit nor taxable profit are not provided for. Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries and associates, and interests in joint ventures, except where the Company is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and adjusted to reflect an amount that is probable to be realised based on the weight of all available evidence. Deferred tax is calculated at the rates that are expected to apply in the year when the liability is settled or the asset is realised. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted. Deferred tax is charged or credited in the Income Statement, except where it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also included within equity.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied by the same tax authority and the Company intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

#### 2. Accounting policies (continued)

## e) FRS 101 exemptions

The following exemptions from the requirements of IFRS have been applied in the preparation of these financial statements, in accordance with FRS 101:

- The requirements of IAS 1 'Presentation of financial statements' and IAS 7 'Statement of cash flows' to present a statement of cash flows and related notes
- The requirements of IAS 8 'Accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates and errors' to disclose information in relation to accounting standards which are issued but not yet effective;
- The requirements of IAS 24 'Related party disclosures' relating to key management compensation; and
- The requirements of IAS 24 'Related party disclosures' to disclose related party transactions between two or more members of a group.

## f) Critical judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The application of the Company's accounting policies may require the use of estimation or judgement in a manner which may affect the Company's financial position or results.

There are not considered to be any critical judgements applied in the preparation of the financial statements.

Critical areas of estimation, determined as being areas for which there are major sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting year end that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to be made to the carrying value amounts of assets or liabilities within the next financial year, are disclosed below.

Additional areas where estimation or judgement is applied have been discussed in the related accounting policies sections above.

#### 3. Investment income and finance costs

		2022	2021
· .		£'000	£'000
Investment income			
Dividend distribution from joint venture	· .	5,000	7,500
		5,000	7,500

The Company has a 25% interest in its joint venture, Paramount UK Partnership ("PUK"), a partnership operating in the UK and Ireland. The principal activity of this partnership is the transmission of a general entertainment comedy channel.

Distributions totalling £5,000,000 were received in the year from Paramount UK Partnership (2021: £7,500,000).

#### 4. Profit before taxation

## **Audit fees**

Amounts paid to the auditor for the audit of the Company's annual financial statements of £14,400 (2021: £10,000) were borne by another Group subsidiary in 2022 and 2021. No amounts for other services have been paid to the auditor.

# 5. Tax

a)	Tax	recognised	in	the	income	statement
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	2022 £'000	2021 £'000
Current tax (credit)/expense		
Current year	-	1,771
Adjustment in respect of prior years	. (7)	•
Total current tax (credit)/charge	. (7)	1,771
Tax (credit)/charge	(7)	1,771
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## b) Reconciliation of effective tax rate

The tax (income)/expense for the year is lower (2021: higher) than the expense that would have been calculated using the rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.0% (2021: 19.0%) applied to profit before tax. The differences are explained below:

	2022	2021
	£'000	£'000
Profit before tax	5,000	7,500
Profit before tax multiplied by rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.0% (2021: 19.0%)	950	1,425
Effects of:		
Adjustment in respect of prior years	· (7)	-
Non-taxable partnership distribution	(950)	(1,425)
Share of taxable profits of partnership in which the Company is a partner	1,377	1,771
Group relief (claimed)/surrendered for £nil consideration	(1,377)	-
Тах	(7)	1,771

#### 6. Trade and other receivables

	2022	2021
	£'000	£'000
Amounts receivable from other group companies	8,375	8,375
Amounts receivable from immediate parent company	63,750	58,750
Total trade and other receivables	72,125	67,125

#### Amounts receivable from other group companies

Amounts due from other Group companies as at 31 December 2022 are £8,375,000 (2021: £8,375,000) represent trade receivables, these are unsecured, non-interest bearing and repayable on demand.

Within the Company there is a concentration of risk within amounts receivable from other Group companies. No allowances have been recorded against amounts receivable from Group companies as the expected credit loss in relation to these balances was assessed to be fully recoverable.

#### Amounts receivable from the immediate parent company

Amounts due from the immediate parent company totalling £63,750,000 (2021: £58,750,002) represent trade receivables; they are unsecured, non-interest bearing and are repayable on demand.

No impairment has been recognised in relation to these receivables as the expected credit loss was assessed as being immaterial. Investments in associates and joint ventures shown above represent the cost of the ordinary shares of the associates undertakings plus non-current loans advanced, less provisions made for any impairment in value.

## 7. Trade and other payables

	2022	2021
	£'000	£'000
Amounts payable to other group companies	5,022	5,029
Total trade and other payables	5,022	5,029

The Directors consider that the carrying amount of trade and other payables approximates their fair values.

# Amounts payable to other group companies

There are amounts due to other group companies totalling £5,022,000 (2021: £5,029,000) of which £nil (2021: £nil) are trade payables; these balances are unsecured, non-interest bearing and are repayable on demand.

## 8. Financial Instruments

#### Fair Values

The Company's financial instruments comprise trade payables and trade receivables.

Set out below is a comparison of the carrying values and the estimated fair values of the Company's financial assets and financial liabilities at 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021:

	Financial Assets at l Amortised Cost	Financial Liabilities at Amortised Cost	Total carrying value	Total fair values
	£.000	£'000	£'000	£'000
At 31 December 2022				
Trade and other payables	-	(5,022)	(5,022)	(5,022)
Trade and other receivables	72,125	-	72,125	72,125
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At 31 December 2021				
Trade and other payables	-	(5,029)	(5,029)	(5,029)
Trade and other receivables	67,125	-	67,125	67,125

The fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities are determined as follows:

- The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities with standard terms and conditions and which are traded on active liquid markets is determined with reference to quoted market prices;
- The fair value of other financial assets and financial liabilities (excluding derivative instruments) is determined in accordance with generally accepted pricing models based on discounted cash flow analysis using prices from observable current market transactions and dealer quotes for similar instruments.

## 9. Financial risk management objectives and policies

## Capital Risk Management

The capital structure of the Company consists of equity attributable to equity holders of the parent Company, comprising issued capital and retained earnings. Risk and treasury management is governed by Comcast's policies approved by the Comcast Audit Committee and Board of Directors.

The Company is not subject to external capital requirements.

#### Liquidity risk

The Company's financial liabilities are shown in notes 7.

The principal source of liquidity is access to a £6 billion revolving credit facility with its ultimate parent, Comcast Corporation, which expires in 2027. The Company benefits from this liquidity through intra-group facilities and loans.

The following table analyses the Company's financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining year at the balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows. The amounts disclosed may not reconcile to the amounts disclosed on the balance sheet for trade and other payables.

	Less than 12 months
	£'000
At 31 December 2022	
Trade and other payables	5,022
	Less than 12 months
	£'000
At 31 December 2021	
Trade and other payables	5,029

## Credit risk

The Company's maximum exposure to credit risk on trade receivables is the carrying amounts disclosed in note 6. Given the amount and nature of the receivables balance, no allowance account has been made under IFRS 9, and there has been no write-off during the year.

The Company does not have any material interest rate exposure. Debt proceeds are loaned on to other Group companies at terms similar to the cost of the underlying borrowing, thereby limiting the interest rate risk that the Company would otherwise be subject to.

## 10. Share capital

•	2022 Number	2022 £'000	2021 Number	2021 £'000
Authorised, called-up and fully paid				
Ordinary shares of £nil each				
Beginning of year	2	2	2	2
End of year	2	2	2	2

The Company has one class of ordinary shares which carries equal voting rights and no contractual right to receive payment. During the year the Company issued nil ordinary shares.

#### 11. Transactions with related parties

## a) Transactions with joint ventures

The Company holds 25% of the issued share capital of Paramount UK Partnership. Investment income of £5,000,000 (2021: £7,500,000) was received from Paramount UK Partnership during the year. There are no outstanding balances with this entity at year end.

The Group's Treasury function is responsible for liquidity management across the Group's operations. It is standard practice for the Company to lend and borrow cash to and from the parent company as required.

Under this policy, Sky UK Limited, received income of £5,000,000 (2021: £7,500,000) on behalf of the Company during the year. This amount appears as an intercompany receivable owed to the company. Please refer to note 6 for details of intercompany receivables.

The Company has not entered into any further transactions with related parties outside the Group in which its results are consolidated (see note 12).

## 12. Ultimate parent undertaking

The Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary undertaking of Sky Ventures Limited, (the immediate parent company) a company incorporated in the United Kingdom and registered in England and Wales. The Company's ultimate parent company and the smallest and largest group in which the results of the company are consolidated is Comcast Corporation, a company incorporated in the United States of America and registered in Pennsylvania.

The company is ultimately controlled by Comcast and operates together with Comcast's other subsidiaries, as a part of the Comcast Group. The only group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by Comcast.

The consolidated financial statements of the Comcast Group are available to the public and may be obtained from Company Investor Relations at Comcast Corporation, One Comcast Center, Philadelphia, PA 19103, USA (registered office). Or at <a href="https://www.cmcsa.com/investors">https://www.cmcsa.com/investors</a>.