# REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2020

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# **COMPANY INFORMATION**

**Directors** 

A V Carty

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Secretary

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Company number

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Registered office

The Pavilions Eden Park Ham Green Bristol BS20 0DD

**Auditor** 

RSM UK Audit LLP

**Chartered Accountants** 

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# **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2020

The directors present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 30 April 2020.

#### **Principal activities**

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of financial advisors.

#### **Directors**

The directors who held office during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were as follows:

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### Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 5. Ordinary dividends were paid amounting to £65,000 (2019 -£27,500). The directors do not recommend payment of a further dividend.

#### COVID-19

The COVID-19 (Coronavirus) outbreak early in 2020 gave rise to risks and uncertainties, some of which remain at the date of approval of these financial statements. The directors have considered these risks and uncertainties and have taken steps to minimise the associated impact. The company instigated remote working in March 2020 and this continues to today. This has had minimal impact on the business due to the company's investment in technology. Further steps taken include, and are not limited to, preparation of business continuity plans, future cash-flow projections, cost reduction reviews and a review of government backed reliefs. Regular communications have been made to the company's stakeholders to minimise disruption.

#### **Directors' insurance**

The group of which the company is a member maintained insurance in respect of directors, officers and senior management during the year and this remained in place at the reporting date.

#### **Auditor**

RSM UK Audit LLP has indicated its willingness to continue in office.

#### Statement of disclosure to auditor

So far as each person who was a director at the date of approving this report is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware. Additionally, each director has taken all the necessary steps that they ought to have taken as a director in order to make themselves aware of all relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

On behalf of the board

E Organ Director

# DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2020

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

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- · make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and 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.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CLIFTON COMPLIANCE SERVICES LTD

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Clifton Compliance Services Ltd (the 'company') for the year ended 30 April 2020 which comprise the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of financial position, the statement of changes in equity and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 30 April 2020 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 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 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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

#### 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. 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.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, 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 audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. 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.

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

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CLIFTON COMPLIANCE SERVICES LTD (CONTINUED)

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

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

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- · the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- · certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the directors were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies' exemption from the requirement to prepare a strategic report or in preparing the directors' report.

#### Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement set out on page 2, 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 Financial Reporting Council's website at: http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the company's member 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 member 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 member for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

**Hugh Fairclough (Senior Statutory Auditor)** 

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For and on behalf of RSM UK Audit LLP, Statutory Auditor

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# STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2020

	•	2020	2019
	Notes	£	£
Turnover	3	76,250	85,400
Administrative expenses		(6,718)	(47,042)
Profit before taxation		69,532	38,358
Tax on profit	6	-	-
Profit for the financial year		69,532	38,358
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# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

## **AS AT 30 APRIL 2020**

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	Notes	£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Debtors	8	156,463		154,190	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,119		936	
		157,582		155,126	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	-		(2,076)	
Net current assets			157,582		153,050
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	10		20,000	•	20,000
Profit and loss reserves	11		137,582	•	133,050
Total equity			157,582		153,050
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The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 23 3 21 and are signed on its behalf by:

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Director

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2020

		Share capital	Profit and loss reserves	Total
	Notes	£	3	£
Balance at 1 May 2018		20,000	122,192	142,192
Year ended 30 April 2019:				•
Profit and total comprehensive income for the year		-	38,358	38,358
Dividends	7	-	(27,500)	(27,500)
Balance at 30 April 2019		20,000	133,050	153,050
Year ended 30 April 2020:				
Profit and total comprehensive income for the year		_	69,532	69,532
Dividends	. 7	-	(65,000)	(65,000)
Balance at 30 April 2020		20,000	137,582	157,582

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2020

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### Company information

Clifton Compliance Services Ltd is a private company limited by shares and is registered and incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is The Pavilions, Eden Park, Ham Green, Bristol, BS20 0DD.

The company's principal activities and nature of its operations are disclosed in the Directors' Report.

#### **Accounting convention**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest  $\pounds$ .

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### Reduced disclosures

This company is a qualifying entity for the purposes of FRS 102, being a member of a group where the parent of that group prepares publicly available consolidated financial statements, including this company, which are intended to give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the group. The company has therefore taken advantage of exemptions from the following disclosure requirements:

- Section 7 'Statement of Cash Flows' Presentation of a statement of cash flow and related notes and disclosures:
- Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instrument Issues' —
  Carrying amounts, interest income/expense and net gains/losses for each category of financial
  instrument; basis of determining fair values; details of collateral, loan defaults or breaches, details
  of hedges, hedging fair value changes recognised in profit or loss and in other comprehensive
  income.
- Section 33 'Related Party Disclosures' Compensation for key management personnel.

The financial statements of the company are consolidated in the financial statements of Clifton Asset Management Plc. These consolidated financial statements are available from its registered office, The Pavilions, Eden Park, Ham Green, Bristol, BS20 0DD.

#### Going concern

The directors have considered the unprecedented impact of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) outbreak on the business and have reviewed trade and plans to preserve the solvency of the business. The business continues to trade satisfactorily with no significant adverse cash flow impact. The directors continue to monitor the government backed reliefs and initiatives made available to support businesses in the United Kingdom and will draw down on these where appropriate. The directors will continue to review the business position and react accordingly.

Having taken these steps, the directors believe that the business has sufficient prospects of trade and sufficient financial resources to continue to trade for a period of not less than twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements. The directors have therefore continued to adopt the going concern basis in drawing up these financial statements.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2020

#### 1 Accounting policies (Continued)

#### **Turnover**

Turnover is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the company and the turnover can be reliably measured. Turnover is measured as the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax and other sales taxes. Turnover from a contract to provide services is recognised in the period in which the services are provided in accordance with the stage of completion of the contract when all of the following conditions are satisfied:

- · the amount of turnover can be measured reliably;
- it is probable that the company will receive the consideration due under the contract;
- the stage of completion of the contract at the end of the period can be measured reliably; and
- the costs incurred and the costs to complete the contract can be measured reliably.

#### Financial instruments

The company has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments. Financial instruments are recognised when the company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include trade and other debtors, amounts owed by group undertakings and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the financial asset is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or when the company transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to another entity, or if some significant risks and rewards of ownership are retained but control of the asset has transferred to another party that is able to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party.

#### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other creditors and amounts due to group undertakings, are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method. Financial liabilities are derecognised when, and only when, the company's contractual obligations are discharged, cancelled, or they expire.

### **Equity instruments**

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the company after deducting all of its liabilities. Equity instruments issued by the company are recorded at the fair value of proceeds received, net of direct issue costs. Dividends payable on equity instruments are recognised as liabilities once they are no longer at the discretion of the company.

#### **Taxation**

The tax expense represents the sum of the current tax expense and deferred tax expense. Current and deferred tax is charged or credited to profit or loss, except when it relates to items charged or credited to other comprehensive income or equity, when the tax follows the transaction or event it relates to and is also charged or credited to other comprehensive income or equity.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2020

#### 1 Accounting policies (Continued)

Current tax is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from total comprehensive income because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other periods. Current tax assets and liabilities are measured using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised in respect of all timing differences that exist at the reporting date. Timing differences are differences between taxable profits and total comprehensive income that arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in different periods from their recognition in the financial statements. Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered by the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits. Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled based on tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date. Deferred tax is not discounted.

Current tax assets and current tax liabilities and deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset, if and only if, there is a legally enforceable right to set off the amounts and the entity intends either to settle on the net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### 2 Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the company's accounting policies, the directors are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

In the opinion of the directors there are no significant estimates or assumptions which have had a material impact on these financial statements.

#### 3 Turnover and other revenue

	2020	2019
	£	£
Turnover analysed by class of business		
Financial advisory services	76,250	85,400
	2020	2019
	£	£
Turnover analysed by geographical market		
United Kingdom	76,250	85,400
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#### 4 Employees

The company has no direct employees. In the current and previous year directors' remuneration was borne by other group companies.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2020

## 5 Auditor's remuneration

Auditor's remuneration is borne by the parent company Clifton Asset Management Plc. The amounts paid for audit and other services are disclosed in its consolidated financial statements. The amounts attributable to individual subsidiaries are not separately identifiable.

#### 6 Taxation

The total tax charge for the year included in the income statement can be reconciled to the profit before tax multiplied by the standard rate of tax as follows:

		2020 ` £	2019 £
	Profit before taxation	69,532 ———	38,358
	Expected tax charge based on the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.00% (2019: 19.00%) Group relief	13,211 (13,211)	7,288 (7,288)
	Taxation charge for the year		
7	Dividends	2020 £	2019 £
	Final paid	65,000	27,500
8	Debtors  Amounts falling due within one year:	2020 £	2019 £
	Trade debtors Amounts owed by group undertakings	119,996 36,467	133,914 20,276
		156,463 ======	154,190
9	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2020 £	2019 £
	Trade creditors	<u>.</u>	2,076

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2020

10	Share capital		•
	• • •	2020	2019
		£	£
	Ordinary share capital		
	Issued and fully paid		
	20,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	20,000	20,000
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		20,000	20,000

The company has one class of ordinary shares. The shares carry no right to fixed income. Each share carries the right to one vote at general meetings of the company.

#### 11 Reserves

#### Profit and loss reserves

The profit and loss reserves reflect cumulative profits and losses net of distributions to members.

### 12 Financial commitments, guarantees and contingent liabilities

The company is party to an unconditional cross-guarantee dated 16 December 2013 over the bank borrowings of C A M Holdings LLP, Clifton Compliance Services Ltd, Clifton Consulting Ltd, Clifton Wealth Ltd, Morgan Lloyd Administration Limited, Morgan Lloyd SIPP Services Limited, Morgan Lloyd Trustees Ltd and Clifton Asset Management Plc. At the year end, total borrowings were £646,346 (2019 - £820,278).

### 13 Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption available under FRS102 Section 33 and has not disclosed details of transactions or balances with other wholly-owned group companies.

### 14 Ultimate controlling party

The immediate and ultimate parent company is Clifton Asset Management PIc, a company incorporated in the United Kingdom and registered in England and Wales. Clifton Asset Management PIc heads the largest and smallest group in which the results and financial position of the company are consolidated. Its consolidated financial statements can be obtained from its registered office, The Pavilions, Eden Park, Ham Green, Bristol, BS20 0DD. There is no overall controlling party.