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ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2017
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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 JANUARY 2017

	Notes	2017 £	£	2016 £	£
Fixed assets					
Intangible assets	3		56,250		61,250
Tangible assets	4		147,147		167,335
Current assets					
Debtors	5	865,926		807,375	
Cash at bank and in hand		333,656		521,128	
		1,199,582		1,328,503	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	(730,571)		(733,473)	
Net current assets			469,011		595,030
Total assets less current liabilities			672,408		823,615
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	7		(24,912)		(46,397)
Provisions for liabilities			(35,000)		(30,000)
Net assets attributable to members			612,496		747,218
Represented by:					
Loans and other debts due to members within one year					
Amounts due in respect of profits			498,926		652,042
Other amounts			113,570		95,176
			612,496		747,218
Total members' interests			612,496		747,218
Loans and other debts due to members			612,496		747,218

The members of the limited liability partnership have elected not to include a copy of the profit and loss account within the financial statements.

For the financial year ended 31 January 2017 the limited liability partnership was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 (as applied by the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008).

The members acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act (as applied to limited liability partnerships) with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

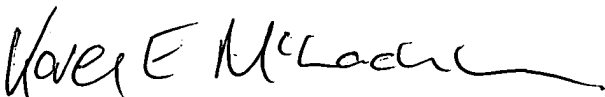
These financial statements have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to limited liability partnerships subject to the small limited liability partnerships' regime.

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BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

AS AT 31 JANUARY 2017

The financial statements were approved by the members and authorised for issue on 19 October 2017 and are signed on their behalf by:



Mrs K E McLachlan

Designated member

Limited Liability Partnership Registration No. SO300789

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RECONCILIATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2017

Current financial year	EQUITY	DEBT		TOTAL
	Members' other interests	Loans and other debts due to members less any amounts due from members in debtors		MEMBERS' INTERESTS
	Other reserves £	Other amounts £	Total £	Total 2017 £
Amount due to members		747,218		
Members' interests at 1 February 2016	-	747,218	747,218	747,218
Profit for the financial year available for discretionary division among members	498,926	-	-	498,926
Members' interests after profit for the year	498,926	747,218	747,218	1,246,145
Allocation of profit for the financial year	(498,926)	498,926	498,926	-
Introduced by members	-	5,000	5,000	5,000
Repayment of debt (including members' capital classified as a liability)	-	(638,649)	(638,649)	(638,649)
Members' interests at 31 January 2017	-	612,496	612,496	612,496
Amounts due to members		612,496		
		612,496		

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RECONCILIATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2017

<i>Prior financial year</i>	EQUITY		DEBT		TOTAL
	Members' other interests	Loans and other debts due to members less any amounts due from members in debtors]	MEMBERS' INTERESTS		
	Other reserves	Other amounts	Total	Total	
	£	£	£	2016	£
Amount due to members		664,271			
Members' interests at 1 February 2015	-	664,271	664,271	664,271	
Profit for the financial year available for discretionary division among members	652,042	-	-	652,042	
Members' interests after profit for the year	652,042	664,271	664,271	1,316,313	
Allocation of profit for the financial year	(652,042)	652,042	652,042	-	
Introduced by members	-	69,000	69,000	69,000	
Repayment of debt (including members' capital classified as a liability)	-	(638,095)	(638,095)	(638,095)	
Members' interests at 31 January 2016	-	747,218	747,218	747,218	
Amounts due to members		747,218			
		747,218			

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1 Accounting policies

Limited liability partnership information

Russel + Aitken LLP is a limited liability partnership incorporated in Scotland. The registered office is Kings Court, High Street, Falkirk, FK1 1PQ.

The limited liability partnership's principal activities are disclosed in the Members' Report.

1.1 Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting by Limited Liability Partnerships" issued in January 2017, together 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 as applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime. The disclosure requirements of section 1A of FRS 102 have been applied other than where additional disclosure is required to show a true and fair view.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the limited liability partnership. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

These financial statements for the year ended 31 January 2017 are the first financial statements of Russel + Aitken LLP prepared in accordance with FRS 102, The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland. The date of transition to FRS 102 was 1 February 2015. The reported financial position and financial performance for the previous period are not affected by the transition to FRS 102.

1.2 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for services, net of VAT, which equates to the value of work done during the year.

If, at the Balance sheet date, completion of contractual obligations is dependent on external factors (and thus outside the control of the Limited Liability Partnership), then revenue is recognised only when the event occurs. In such cases, costs incurred up to the Balance sheet date are carried forward as work in progress.

1.3 Members' participating interests

Members' participation rights are the rights of a member against the LLP that arise under the members' agreement (for example, in respect of amounts subscribed or otherwise contributed remuneration and profits).

Members' participation rights in the earnings or assets of the LLP are analysed between those that are, from the LLP's perspective, either a financial liability or equity, in accordance with section 22 of FRS 102. A member's participation rights including amounts subscribed or otherwise contributed by members, for example members' capital, are classed as liabilities unless the LLP has an unconditional right to refuse payment to members, in which case they are classified as equity.

All amounts due to members that are classified as liabilities are presented within 'Loans and other debts due to members' and, where such an amount relates to current year profits, they are recognised within 'Members' remuneration charged as an expense' in arriving at the relevant year's result. Undivided amounts that are classified as equity are shown within 'Members' other interests'. Amounts recoverable from members are presented as debtors and shown as amounts due from members within members' interests.

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Once an unavoidable obligation has been created in favour of members through allocation of profits or other means, any undrawn profits remaining at the reporting date are shown as 'Loans and other debts due to members' to the extent they exceed debts due from a specific member.

1.4 Intangible fixed assets - goodwill

Acquired goodwill is written off in equal annual instalments over its estimated useful economic life of 20 years.

1.5 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Leasehold improvements	10% on cost
Fixtures, fittings & equipment	10% on cost and 10% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	25% on cost and 14.28% on cost

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the profit and loss account.

1.6 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting period end date, the limited liability partnership reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the limited liability partnership estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

Recognised impairment losses are reversed if, and only if, the reasons for the impairment loss have ceased to apply. Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (or cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase.

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1 Accounting policies

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1.7 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand are basic financial assets and include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.8 Financial instruments

The limited liability partnership 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 in the limited liability partnership's statement of financial position when the limited liability partnership becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and 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 debtors 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 transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Other financial assets

Other financial assets, including investments in equity instruments which are not subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures, are initially measured at fair value, which is normally the transaction price. Such assets are subsequently carried at fair value and the changes in fair value are recognised in profit or loss, except that investments in equity instruments that are not publicly traded and whose fair values cannot be measured reliably are measured at cost less impairment.

Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets, other than those held at fair value through profit and loss, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each reporting end date.

Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows have been affected. If an asset is impaired, the impairment loss is the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of the estimated cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. The impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

If there is a decrease in the impairment loss arising from an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the impairment is reversed. The reversal is such that the current carrying amount does not exceed what the carrying amount would have been, had the impairment not previously been recognised. The impairment reversal is recognised in or .

Derecognition of financial assets

Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or when the limited liability partnership 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.

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Classification of financial liabilities

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 limited liability partnership after deducting all of its liabilities.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors, bank loans, loans from fellow group companies and preference shares that are classified as debt, 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. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Other financial liabilities

Derivatives, including interest rate swaps and forward foreign exchange contracts, are not basic financial instruments. Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value. Changes in the fair value of derivatives are recognised in profit or loss in finance costs or finance income as appropriate, unless hedge accounting is applied and the hedge is a cash flow hedge.

Debt instruments that do not meet the conditions in FRS 102 paragraph 11.9 are subsequently measured at fair value through profit or loss. Debt instruments may be designated as fair value through profit or loss to eliminate or reduce an accounting mismatch or if the instruments are measured and their performance evaluated on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the limited liability partnership's obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.9 Equity instruments

Equity instruments issued by the limited liability partnership are recorded at the 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 limited liability partnership.

1.10 Derivatives

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value at the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently remeasured to fair value at each reporting end date. The resulting gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately unless the derivative is designated and effective as a hedging instrument, in which event the timing of the recognition in profit or loss depends on the nature of the hedge relationship.

A derivative with a positive fair value is recognised as a financial asset, whereas a derivative with a negative fair value is recognised as a financial liability.

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1.11 Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the limited liability partnership has a legal or constructive present obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that the limited liability partnership will be required to settle that obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the reporting end date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the amount expected to be required to settle the obligation is recognised at present value. When a provision is measured at present value, the unwinding of the discount is recognised as a finance cost in profit or loss in the period in which it arises.

1.12 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense, unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of stock or fixed assets.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the limited liability partnership is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.13 Retirement benefits and post retirement payments to members

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

1.14 Cash deposits held on behalf of clients

Cash deposits held on behalf of clients are included in 'cash at bank and in hand' to the extent that they are not matched by amounts due to clients and therefore represent assets of the limited liability partnership.

2 Employees

The average number of persons (excluding members) employed by the partnership during the year was 80 (2016 - 81).

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3 Intangible fixed assets

	Goodwill £	Other £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 February 2016 and 31 January 2017	100,000	2,250	102,250
Amortisation and impairment			
At 1 February 2016	38,750	2,250	41,000
Amortisation charged for the year	5,000	-	5,000
At 31 January 2017	43,750	2,250	46,000
Carrying amount			
At 31 January 2017	56,250	-	56,250
At 31 January 2016	61,250	-	61,250

4 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Plant and machinery etc £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 February 2016	148,841	1,357,097	1,505,938
Additions	-	21,995	21,995
Disposals	-	(9,539)	(9,539)
At 31 January 2017	148,841	1,369,553	1,518,394
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 February 2016	144,023	1,194,580	1,338,603
Depreciation charged in the year	576	41,607	42,183
Eliminated in respect of disposals	-	(9,539)	(9,539)
At 31 January 2017	144,599	1,226,648	1,371,247
Carrying amount			
At 31 January 2017	4,242	142,905	147,147
At 31 January 2016	4,818	162,517	167,335

Land and buildings comprise tenant's improvements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2017

5 Debtors

	2017 £	2016 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	741,260	657,846
Other debtors	124,666	149,529
	<u>865,926</u>	<u>807,375</u>

6 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2017 £	2016 £
Bank loans and overdrafts	273,460	190,169
Other taxation and social security	273,634	353,747
Other creditors	183,477	189,557
	<u>730,571</u>	<u>733,473</u>

7 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2017 £	2016 £
Bank loans and overdrafts	24,912	46,397
	<u>24,912</u>	<u>46,397</u>

Bank borrowings are secured by personal guarantees from certain members.

8 Loans and other debts due to members

In the event of a winding up the amounts included in "Loans and other debts due to members" will rank equally with unsecured creditors.

9 Financial commitments, guarantees and contingent liabilities

In addition to the Defined Contributions for the current staff, the LLP has a liability to a Multi-Employer Defined benefit scheme but the employer is unable to identify its share of the underlying Assets or Liabilities nor the surplus or deficit in the scheme and the implications of that surplus or deficit for the employer. The payment in the year of £15,924 (2016: £15,684) was treated as if it were a defined contribution.