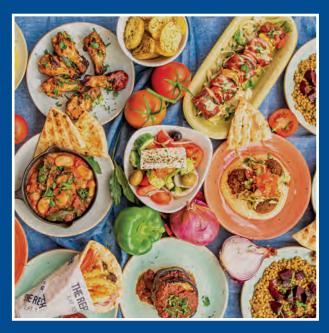
# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC

# ANNUAL REPORT







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# **OUR RESTAURANTS**





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# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC BACKGROUND AND HIGHLIGHTS for the year ended 28 March 2021

#### **Background**

The Fulham Shore PLC (the "Group", the "Company" or "Fulham Shore") was incorporated in March 2012 to invest in high potential businesses across the UK restaurant and food service sector. The ordinary shares of Fulham Shore were admitted to trading on AIM in October 2014.

Fulham Shore currently operates 74 restaurants in the UK: 19 The Real Greek (www.therealgreek.com) and 55 Franco Manca (www.francomanca.co.uk).

#### Highlights - Year ended 28 March 2021

- Revenue decreased 41.3% to £40.3m (2020: £68.6m), driven by trading restrictions implemented by the UK Government due to the COVID-19 pandemic, which were in place throughout most of the financial year.
- Buoyant trading during the summer of 2020 when restaurants were able to operate across eat-in and outside dining
- Headline EBITDA\* of £9.0m (2020: £15.2m) and Adjusted Headline EBITDA\* of £1.9m excluding IFRS 16 (2020: £8.3m)
- EBITDA\* of £8.7m (2020: £14.3m) and Adjusted EBITDA\* of £1.6m excluding IFRS 16 (2020: £7.2m)
- Headline operating loss of £2.2m (2020: profit of £4.4m)
- Impairment charge on property, plant and equipment and change in fair value of investments of £1.0m (2020: £0.5m)
- Operating loss of £4.8m (2020: profit of £1.8m)
- Loss before tax of £7.5m (2020: £0.8m)
- Net debt excluding lease liabilities recognised under IFRS 16 as at 28 March 2021 of £3.6m (2020: £9.5m)
- Two new Franco Manca pizzeria and one new The Real Greek restaurant opened during the year ended 28 March 2021 in the UK (2020: seven Franco Manca pizzeria and two The Real Greek restaurants)

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#### Post year end highlights:

- As of August 2021, all of Fulham Shore's 74 restaurants were fully open and trading, supported by additional safety precautions and training for restaurant staff across both brands
- Two new Franco Manca pizzeria opened in High Holborn, London and in Glasgow, totalling 55 Franco Manca and 19 The Real Greek operated by the Group in the UK
- One new The Real Greek under construction in Norwich
- One lease contract exchanged for Franco Manca in Baker Street, London
- 0 12 further sites are in solicitors' hands to strengthen the Group's opening pipeline
- Net cash (excluding lease liabilities recognised under IFRS 16) as at 15 August 2021 was £3.5m
- Creation of new team to explore and progress the international development of both businesses

The above numbers are for continuing operations.

\* Definition of Headline EBITDA, Adjusted Headline EBITDA and EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA can be found on pages 9 and 56.

#### Introduction

COVID-19 has had an unprecedented impact on UK society and, in terms of our business, on the hospitality sector in particular. The restaurant sector survivors are those that have been able to pivot their business to respond to customer preferences whilst operating in line with the constantly changing UK Government guidelines.

All our employees have worked tirelessly during this year to keep our businesses cash flow positive and viable during the lock down periods. During the months when the businesses have been allowed to re-open they have served more customers than ever before. It is thanks to them and their adaptability that the Group has emerged stronger than ever from these last 18 months.

#### Financial year ended 28 March 2021

During the year ended 28 March 2021, Fulham Shore had a year like no other! The Group remained cash flow positive at the year end thanks to the UK Government support, such as the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and the Business Rates Retail Discount, the Group's ability to adapt quickly to changing trading circumstances and above all the return of our loyal customers in great numbers when we were allowed to trade without restrictions.

We traded profitably at Headline EBITDA level for the financial year ended 28 March 2021 at £9.0m (2020: £15.2m). This was despite the enforced restaurant closures from the end of March 2020 and then again from the beginning of January 2021 that impacted both revenue and profit across our two businesses.

Net debt excluding lease liabilities recognised under IFRS 16 as at 28 March 2021 reduced by £5.9m to £3.6m from £9.5m in 2020.

Franco Manca traded throughout the year under the various UK Government restrictions which waxed and waned continually. The ability of our sourdough pizza business to pivot entirely to delivery and take out was crucial to the continued performance of Fulham Shore.

The Real Greek has always primarily been a place where parties and family groups meet and socialise, and this of course was prohibited for most of the year. The business entered the COVID-19 year without the benefit of a significant takeaway and delivery platform, which was developed quickly but due to the nature of its customer proposition, did not achieve the revenue and profitability levels delivered by Franco Manca.

Fulham Shore's financial year to 28 March 2021 was a tale of four quarters. The Group was loss making in the first quarter (April, May and June 2020) but returned to profit in the second quarter at Headline EBITDA level, thanks to our customers returning in great numbers. The third quarter (October, November and December 2020) continued the positive progress as we were allowed to open for most of that period, but, although the final quarter to March 2021 once again contributed a loss as we were closed once more to dine in customers, trading and profitability showed significant improvement compared with the first lockdown.

#### **Current trading and outlook**

#### Reopening summer 2021

All our 74 restaurants were open by 7 June 2021. Since restrictions were partially lifted to allow limited outdoor dine in on 12 April 2021, our customer numbers have been increasing in line with the continued successful roll-out of the UK Government's vaccination programme. When our restaurants reopened more fully for dine in customers, our delivery and takeaway sales continued to exceed 2019 levels showing, we believe, that we have gained permanent new customers through both these important channels.

Total Group revenues for the eight weeks from 21 June 2021 to 15 August 2021 averaged over £1.5m per week. This performance represents an increase of over 8% in revenues compared to the equivalent period in 2019 calendar year.

This includes a period where dine in and capacity restrictions were in place until 19 July 2021 and a continued subdued performance by our restaurants in the West End of London and other city centre restaurants around the UK. Our restaurants in these locations are not yet performing at the levels seen during the 2019 calendar year as office workers and tourists have yet to return. Our city centre restaurants are, however, being loyally supported by the geographical spread of our restaurants across the UK.

The disparity of performance between these city centre locations and our other restaurants is stark. The Group's 17 West End of London and city centre office locations saw revenues down 41% on a two year like for like basis for the 8 weeks from 21 June 2021 to 15 August 2021. We believe revenues will recover in the medium term as tourism recovers and the move back to offices recommences after the summer.

For the same reason, some of the Group's restaurant locations outside the major conurbations are over 30% ahead of 2019 figures because of the UK Government's working from home requirement and the rise in coastal town staycations due to restrictions on international travel. Some of our regional and suburban restaurants are currently breaking trading records on a weekly basis. The sites in coastal towns and university cities are especially busy.

We believe there will be sales growth to come from all of our city centre sites from now until June 2022 driven by a return to office working, greater public confidence due to the completion of the vaccination programme and a return of tourists over Winter 2021 and Spring 2022. In effect we expect that the disparity between the two different types of location (suburban and regional towns versus city centre/office locations) will return to something like normal comparative patterns over the next 12 months. In addition, we expect that the substantial growth of delivery and take out services we achieved during the financial year covered in this report will remain at higher than historic levels.

Since the beginning of our current financial year, we have continued to trade profitably at Headline EBITDA level, ahead of our internal expectations even before the further relaxation of restrictions which occurred on 19 July 2021.

In our half year announcement released on 18 December 2020 we emphasised that, although the financial year ended 28 March 2021 covered in this report was crucial to the Group's robust viability, the current year which commenced on 29 March 2021 should be the real guide to our growth prospects. We continue to hold this view.

#### Market overview

Analysts believe that the UK restaurant market in terms of numbers of locations in 2022 could have diminished by as much as 20% compared to 2019. This will perhaps mirror the contraction of retail space. Over-expansion, paying ever higher rents that were unsustainable and chasing market share were all to blame.

The CVAs and closures that have ensued across the sector have enabled both of our businesses to obtain sites at favourable rent levels and lower capital cost per site. Rents have halved in some cases, and we have opened some sites for less than £500,000 rather than the average of £650,000 which we were budgeting in 2019. Both these reductions should improve our return on capital over the next few years.

We are pleased to be creating jobs and providing the building industry with business opportunities in terms of opening new restaurants. We expect these two endeavours to grow the sales and income of Fulham Shore in the coming years.

We are always careful about our menu pricing. We choose our quality ingredients from local suppliers where possible and intend that our customers will be served by motivated teams of incentivised staff. In addition, we believe that we operate from a well-positioned, carefully chosen, fairly rented estate.

#### **Medium term**

The UK economy and consumer spending in particular are forecast to bounce back strongly over the next year. The hospitality sector is predicted to follow in that wake but with reduced capacity in terms of site numbers, supplying an expected greater demand for continuing operators.

We will be looking to open new restaurants in all parts of the UK, in towns and cities from Cardiff to Canterbury and from Newcastle to Norwich.

#### **Property**

Landlords are still facing a property glut. There are unlet premises all around the UK in unprecedented numbers. This will eventually recover to a normal supply and demand ratio but this may not happen for some years. Whilst some landlords and their commercial agents are seeing some take up for prime positions by good restaurant operators who are now expanding again, we believe that it will take many years to take up the slack.

More than 80% of our UK based landlords have positively engaged with us regarding waivers or rent forgiveness over the last year and to them we tip our hat. We have come to arrangements with others after dynamic debates, the overall benefit to the Group being lower rents over the next few years.

The Group is being offered many new sites, former retail shops, former ground floor offices, former chain restaurants. We are planning our expansion strategy for the next three years and we are building a pipeline of new locations.

Since the start of the year we have opened two new Franco Manca in High Holborn, London and in Glasgow. We now have 55 Franco Manca and 19 The Real Greek in the UK.

We are building a new The Real Greek restaurant in Norwich and have exchanged contracts on one new Franco Manca in Baker Street, London.

From our current base we have identified over 125 more locations for Franco Manca in the UK and 30 more for The Real Greek. With steady expansion in the medium term, this should bring our total estate to over 230 restaurants in the UK. To this end, and supported by the Group's current trading performance, a further 12 sites are in solicitors' hands.

These sites will continue our opening programme for this financial year and into the beginning of 2022, with a view to increasing the number of restaurants we operate in the UK to over 110 by the end of 2025.

#### Franchising

Over the last few years we have fielded many enquiries regarding opening our restaurants outside the UK. The Board has previous experience of successful expansion outside the UK at PizzaExpress and Gourmet Burger Kitchen and has commenced investing in an experienced team to capitalise on the opportunity to establish our brands overseas.

#### **Dividend policy**

Although we were considering putting in place a dividend policy, the impact of COVID-19 has meant that any plans for a dividend policy will be delayed until the full effects of the pandemic are over. No dividend is therefore being proposed for the year ended 28 March 2021.

#### **Financing**

It is the Group's intention to re-finance its banking facilities in the second half of the current financial year ahead of March 2022 when one of our facilities will fall for renewal. The Group's bankers, HSBC, continue to be supportive. We have a current combined facilities limit of £24.27m. This is made up of £14.25m revolving credit facility ("RCF"), £9.27m Coronavirus Large Business Interruption Loan ("CLBIL") and £0.75m overdraft facilities. The HSBC CLBIL loan was crucial in enabling the Group to navigate the period impacted by Coronavirus. The Group has started to repay the CLBIL loan with the first repayment of £1.48m made at the beginning of August 2021. It is the Board's intention for the re-financing to wrap the RCF and the CLBIL into one arrangement, enabling the Group to repay the CLBIL loan completely ahead of the original date agreed. The Group intends to fund its expansion programme thereafter from operating cash flow and the utilisation of its bank facilities.

#### **Current outlook**

As we write this report the UK Government reduced trading restrictions with effect from 19 July 2021. This has seen an immediate uplift in the number of customers dining at our restaurants.

Franco Manca and The Real Greek have navigated successfully the COVID-19 cocoon of restricted trading. We believe that our two brands are more popular than ever with the UK public and that sales will blossom when COVID-19 subsides.

We aim to keep our prices low. High customer numbers per site make for busy restaurants, fun environments and motivated employees.

We continue to source our food ethically and where we can, locally. This has helped to protect us from the majority of Brexit induced border delays since January 2021.

We have invested our profits in new restaurants, creating jobs and spreading the word about our great food at Franco Manca and The Real Greek.

Fulham Shore has the financial headroom to embark on a controlled expansion programme with our cash balances and borrowing facilities. We are confident that this current financial year will be the start of another exciting period of growth for the Group.

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Chairman

16 August 2021

Fulham Shore's performance in the year ended 28 March 2021 is summarised in the table below:

For continuing operations	Year ended 28 March 2021 £m	Year ended 29 March 2020 £m	Change %
	40.3	68.6	-41.3%
Revenue	40.3	00.0	-41.3%
Headline EBITDA*  Adjusted Headline EBITDA*  Headline operating (loss)/profit	9.0 1.9 (2.2)	<b>15.2</b> <b>8.3</b> 4.4	<b>-40.8%</b> <b>-77.1%</b> -148.5%
EBITDA*  Adjusted EBITDA*  Operating (loss)/profit Loss before taxation Loss for the year	<b>8.7 1.6</b> (4.8) (7.5) (6.3)	<b>14.3 7.2</b> 1.8 (0.8) (1.2)	-39.2% -77.8% -366.7% -937.5% -525.0%
Basic and diluted earnings per share Headline basic and diluted earnings per share	(1.1p) (0.7p)	(0.2p) 0.2p	-550.0% -450.0%
Cash flow from operating activities Development capital expenditure Net Debt Net Debt (excluding lease liabilities)	9.7 1.7 74.6 <b>3.6</b>	14.8 7.2 77.7 <b>9.5</b>	-34.5% -76.4% -4.0% <b>-62.1%</b>
Number of restaurants operated in the UK Franco Manca The Real Greek	No. 53 19 72	No. 51 18 69	+3.9% +5.5% +4.3%

\* Reconciliation of loss before taxation to Adjusted Headline EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA for continuing operations:

	Year ended 28 March 2021 £m	Year ended 29 March 2020 £m
Loss before taxation	(7.5)	(0.8)
Finance costs	2.8	2.6
Depreciation and amortisation	11.1	10.8
Amortisation of brand	0.8	0.8
Exceptional costs:		
<ul> <li>Change in fair value of investments</li> </ul>	_	0.2
<ul> <li>Impairment of property, plant and equipment</li> </ul>	1.0	0.3
<ul> <li>Covid-19 related costs</li> </ul>	0.5	0.4
EBITDA	8.7	14.3
Share based payments	0.1	0.2
Pre-opening costs	0.2	0.7
Headline EBITDA	9.0	15.2
Adjustment for rent expenses	(7.1)	(6.9)
Adjusted Headline EBITDA	1.9	8.3
EBITDA	8.7	14.3
Adjustment for rent expenses	(7.1)	(7.1)
Adjusted EBITDA	1.6	7.2

This year ended 28 March 2021 comprised of 52 full weeks of trading (2020: 52 weeks).

Total Group revenue from continuing operations for the year ended 28 March 2021 fell by 41% to £40.3m from £68.6m last year. This reduction was driven by the UK Government's COVID-19 trading restrictions being operational through most of the financial year. These restrictions impacted the Group in two ways: social distancing rules reduced the capacity available in each restaurant by as much as 30% to 40% throughout the financial year; and restaurants were ordered to close to dine-in customers UK wide in three separate lockdowns as well as localised lockdowns. The period of UK wide restrictions on dine-in trade were: 20 March 2020 to 4 July 2020, 5 November 2020 to 2 December 2020 and 5 January 2021 to 17 May 2021, accounting for some 57% of the financial year before the impact of local tiered restrictions.

Since mid-April 2020, the Group, especially Franco Manca, pivoted to takeaway, click and collect and delivery services during the various lockdowns. This has enabled both businesses to trade through the various lockdown periods.

During the year, despite COVID-19 restrictions, we opened two new Franco Manca pizzeria and one new The Real Greek restaurant in London. This takes the total restaurants operated by the Group in the UK to 72 (2020: 69) at year end.

Group Headline EBITDA and Adjusted Headline EBITDA (as defined in page 56 of the financial statements and reconciled on page 9) continue to be key measures for the Group as well as industry analysts as they are indicative of ongoing EBITDA of the businesses. Headline EBITDA for the year was £9.0m (2020: £15.2m), a decrease of 40.8% while Adjusted Headline EBITDA for the year was £1.9m (2020: £8.3m), a decrease of 77% on the prior year. As the impact of the first lockdown was felt at the beginning of the financial year, the Group implemented effective cost saving measures in both variable and fixed costs to reduce the cost base through the lockdowns.

During the year ended 28 March 2021, the Group benefited from £10.3m (2020: £0.3m) of various UK Government coronavirus support and grants. Of this amount, our staff who were furloughed or flexi furloughed benefited from £8.5m (2020: £0.3m) from the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme while the remaining grants were applied against fixed costs of the businesses. In addition, the Group's trading in August 2020 benefited from £1.2m from the Eat Out To Help Out Scheme and the resultant increased activity of customers.

Group depreciation and amortisation, excluding amortisation of the Franco Manca brand, increased 2.8% to £11.1m (2020: £10.8m) following the number of new restaurants opened during the year and the previous year. The Group incurred one off costs in the year of £1.0m (2020: £0.3m) from impairment charges for five restaurants (2020: 4) which were impacted by COVID-19 during the year and four of these restaurants were located in Debenhams department stores where the concessions ended with Debenhams' demise. However, these four restaurants are still trading but under short term leases or tenancies at will while negotiations with the ultimate landlords continue. The Group also incurred £0.5m (2020: £0.4m) of exceptional costs relating to the temporary closure of the restaurants primarily from the beginning of the financial year to summer 2020, following instructions received from the UK Government as part of the COVID-19 lockdown that started in the middle of March 2020. These one off costs, even though partially offset by the positive Headline EBITDA, have led to an increase in operating loss to £4.8m (2020: profit of £1.8m).

With our new openings, we have invested £0.2m (2020: £0.9m) in pre-opening costs. Finance costs have increased to £2.8m (2020: £2.6m) as the Group's gross bank debt increased to £15.9m (2020: £11.5m) even though net debt reduced during the year. Overall this has resulted in a loss before taxation of £7.5m (2020: £0.8m).

The Group's tax charge was a credit of £1.2m (2020: charge of £0.4m); deferred tax assets were recognised in the year for tax losses carried forward and on share based payments. The Group's loss after tax was £6.3m (2020: £1.2m).

Our basic and diluted loss per share from continuing operations was 1.1p (2020: 0.2p) while Headline basic and diluted loss per share was 0.7p (2020: earnings per share 0.2p).

#### Cost inflation

During the year, weakness of Sterling against both the Euro and the US Dollar from uncertainty over Brexit and the need to increase stock levels in case of a hard Brexit has continued to put pressure on food cost inflation. Additionally, volatile demands from the restaurant sector and significantly increased demand from consumers staying at home during COVID-19 restrictions have reduced supply chain capacity thus further putting pressure in the latter half of the financial year on food cost inflation. Where possible, we have benefited from additional volume discounts due to our opening programme and changes in suppliers which have helped to mitigate some of the cost pressures.

We also saw 6.2% (2020: 4.9%) increase in the Government's National Living Wage at the beginning of the financial year for employees over 25 years old. Both of our businesses have chosen to treat all staff members the same irrespective of age and have therefore paid at least the National Living Wage to all employees.

Our other two material cost items are rent and utility costs. Rental inflation of our estate has subsided during the year of COVID-19 lockdowns. This is further impacted by COVID-19 effects going forward as we enter more short term rent deals with landlords during the year and following the year end. New leases entered by the Group have seen improved rental deals. Utility cost inflation continues to be volatile as the wholesale cost of energy has been impacted by the movement of Sterling and global economic adjustments.

#### Cash flows and balance sheets

The Group's cash flow from operating activities has decreased by £5.1m to £9.7m as a result of reduced trading during the year from the impact of COVID-19 restrictions in the UK.

We invested £1.7m (2020: £7.4m), before right of use assets additions, in development capital. This was primarily in new restaurants but also included investments in outdoor dining spaces for both businesses ahead of the first reopening date post year end of 12 April 2021, and investment in IT systems to introduce an advanced virtual queueing system for Franco Manca in August 2020 and further develop Franco Manca's loyalty app. As at 28 March 2021 there were 209,000 users (2020: 111,000) signed up to Franco Manca's loyalty scheme, an increase of 88%.

In addition we recognised £6.2m (2020: £9.2m) right-of-use assets in relation to the 3 (2020: 9) short term leasehold properties acquired during the year for new restaurant openings. At the same time, equal and opposite additional lease liabilities were recognised on the balance sheet for £6.2m (2020: £9.2m).

On 20 August 2020, the Company completed a facility agreement for an increase in the amount available under its debt facilities with HSBC Bank plc and the waiver of certain banking covenants. Under the new arrangements, the term of the Company's existing £14.25m revolving credit facility was extended by 12 months from March 2021 to March 2022 and the Company increased its banking facilities with HSBC to a total of £25.75m including the existing £0.75m overdraft facility (from £15m). This increase of £10.75m is provided under the government backed Coronavirus Large Business Interruption Loan Scheme, which has a term of three years, with repayments due over the second and third years of the term.

On 20 August 2020, the Company also raised £2,250,000 (before expenses) from the issue of 36,000,000 new ordinary shares in the Company. These new funds, together with the new banking facilities, will give the Group substantial headroom over its net debt at a time of uncertainty of impact from COVID-19.

During the year ended 28 March 2021, the Group has negotiated with its landlords in order to secure support from them during the various lockdowns. Many of these landlords have been supportive and some deals have been completed during the financial year but many were completed following the year end once the third lockdown ended. As at 28 March 2021, short term lease liabilities included £2.8m historic deferred rents.

Resultant net debt from our activities excluding lease liabilities recognised under IFRS 16 as at 28 March 2021 was £3.6m (2020: £9.5m). This is financed by our facilities with HSBC Bank PLC, made up of a £14.25m revolving credit facility ("RCF"), £10.75m Coronavirus Large Business Interruption Loan Scheme, and a £0.75m overdraft. Since the year end, the Group's position improved to net cash (excluding lease liabilities recognised under IFRS 16) as at 15 August 2021 of £3.5m.

Despite the reduced trading as a result of COVID-19 at the end of the financial year, the Group funded its three restaurant openings during the year largely through existing operational cash flow.

#### Post balance sheet events

In January 2021, the UK Government issued direct instructions to temporarily close all restaurants to dine-in trade again as part of wider ongoing efforts in the fight against Covid-19.

Since 12 April 2021, the date from which the UK Government determined that restaurants could reopen to serve dine-in customers in outside spaces if safe to do so, the Group has undertaken a gradual reopening of its restaurants with outside dining space to dine-in customers, serving customers through a combination of dine-in, takeaway, click and collect and delivery services.

On 17 May 2021, further restaurants reopened as the UK Government allowed indoor dining to reopen. Since mid June 2021, all of the Group's restaurants reopened fully albeit with social distancing still running. These social distancing measures were finally removed on 19 July 2021.

#### People

During the year, the Group's key operations were within the UK. As detailed above, the Group took advantage of the UK Government's Coronavirus Jobs Retention Scheme and furloughed nearly all operational staff across the Group when the restaurants temporarily closed for the first lockdown and received continued support during the changing lockdowns through flexible furlough. Since June 2021 all our staff were brought back from furlough as we reopened all our restaurants following the most recent lock down.

With our opening programme, the Group continued to create more new jobs in its new restaurants. We continue to invest in our staff through training, incentives and personal development as well as investing in a stronger people and human resource team.

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

The Directors consider the following to be the principal risks faced by the Group:

#### COVID-19

The macro economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic is uncertain, and continues to evolve, with potential disruption to financial markets including currencies, interest rates, borrowing costs and the availability of debt financing. However, the Group's financial risk management strategies seek to reduce our potential exposure in relation to these risks. During the year, the Group, as described above:

- o raised further funds of £2.25m from an equity placing and subscription;
- o extended the maturity date of the RCF facility by 12 months to March 2022; and
- completed a new loan facility of £10.75m under the UK Government's CLBIL scheme for a three year term.

The combined effect of these actions have added an additional £13m of headroom to the Group's capital structure. In addition, through prudent management of costs and cashflow, the Group has built up a cash balance which further increases available financial headroom for the Group. Overall the headroom will provide a good buffer if another lockdown is introduced by the UK Government. The impact of further lockdowns or different restrictions may affect the carrying values of goodwill and/or property, plant and equipment including right of use assets. However the Group, through its learnings over the last eighteen months, and investment in personal protective equipment, additional training and innovative systems, is prepared to respond to changing situations quickly.

#### Development programme

The Group's development programme is dependent on securing the requisite number of new properties at sensible rents. Despite the impact on the restaurant sector from COVID-19 and a general trend downwards on rents, the UK restaurant property market remaining competitive at the right locations and rents. To mitigate these issues, the Group has an experienced property team concentrating on securing new sites for the Group.

#### Supply chain

The Group focuses on the freshness and quality of the produce used in its restaurants. It is exposed to potential supply chain disruptions due to the delay or losses of inventory in transit. The Group seeks to mitigate this risk through effective supplier selection and an appropriate back-up supply chain. To help mitigate potential delays as a result of more complex customs border controls post Brexit and a reduced number of road haulage drivers, the Group has increased stock levels, where possible, to allow for longer transit times and have changed some of its ingredients to UK grown ingredients.

#### **Employees**

The Group's performance depends largely on its management team and its restaurant teams. The inability to recruit people with the right experience and skills could adversely affect the Group's results. The combination of Brexit, new additional immigration controls and the displacement of the workforce as a result of COVID-19 has made recruitment harder. To mitigate these issues the Group has invested in its human resources team and has implemented new innovative incentive schemes designed to retain key individuals.

#### Competition

The Group operates in a competitive and fragmented market which regularly sees new concepts come to the market. However, the Directors believe that the strength of the Group's existing restaurant brands, value offer and constant strive towards delivering the best product and service will help the business to mitigate competitive risk.

#### Landlords

The Group operated four restaurants within the Debenhams estate. These restaurants are now operating on a tenancy at will or short term lease basis while negotiations with ultimate landlords continue. Therefore these individually may be at risk from closure if negotiations are not successful. The Group is actively looking for alternative locations in the vicinity of the existing restaurant.

#### Cyber security

The Group has been operating an online "click and collect" service, an online loyalty programme and various customer relationship management tools which rely on online systems that may experience cyber security failure leading to loss of revenue or reputation loss. The Group utilises robust supplier selection processes and third party reviews and testing on a regular basis to identify weaknesses and improve on existing protection and processes.

#### Revenues from delivery

The Group revenues from delivery has grown during the various lockdowns. There is a risk of temporary interruption to the third party delivery service provider. The Group utilities two independent delivery platforms to mitigate downtime risk.

#### Regulatory compliance

The Group is growing and the UK Government is increasing the number of areas requiring additional regulatory compliance including GDPR, ESOS and food labelling. This may increase the Group's expenditure to ensure compliance and the Group may experience a failure to comply thus leading to significant fines. The Group reviews regulatory changes on a regular basis.

Risks are formally reviewed by the Board regularly and appropriate processes are put in place to monitor and mitigate them.

#### Financial risk management

The Board regularly reviews the financial requirements of the Group and the risks associated therewith. The Group does not use complex financial instruments, and where financial instruments are used it is for reducing interest rate risk. The Group does not trade in financial instruments. Group operations are primarily financed from equity funds raised, bank borrowings and retained earnings. In addition to the financial instruments described above, the Group also has other financial instruments such as trade receivables, trade payables and accruals that arise directly from the Group's operations. Further information is provided in note 15 to the financial statements.

#### **Key performance indicators**

The Board receives a range of management information delivered in a timely fashion. The principal measures of progress, both financial and non-financial, that are reviewed on a regular basis to monitor the development of the Company and the Group are shown in the table at the beginning of this section.

Approved on behalf of the Board.

#### **NCW Wong**

**Finance Director** 

16 August 2021

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC STRATEGIC REPORT – SECTION 172 STATEMENT

Throughout the year, in performance of its duties, the Board has had regard to the interests of the Group's key stakeholders and taken account of the potential impact on these stakeholders of the decisions it has made. Details of how the Board had regard to the following matters under Section 172 of the Companies Act 2006 ("S172 Matters") are as follows:

#### S172 Matters

(a) The likely consequences of any decision in the long term

(b) The interests of the Group's employees

(c) The need to foster the Groups business relationships with suppliers, customers and others

(d) The impact of the Group's operations on the community and the environment

#### Specific examples

- The Board's focus on the survival of the Group over the course of the COVID-19 pandemic and Fulham Shore's positioning for successful growth in the future
- Our corporate governance framework as described in this annual report
- Communications with our shareholders through our website, circulars, our AGM and investor meetings
- Protecting our teams in the COVID-19 pandemic, for example, by providing personal protective equipment, furloughing many staff during the periods of lockdown, and encouraging working from home where possible
- Employee engagement through newsletters, communication tools, surveys and career development opportunities
- Ongoing training and development
- Established whistleblowing procedures
- Partnering and regular communications with suppliers
- Protecting our customers and suppliers during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Encouraging and responding to customer feedback through websites, social media and our feedback management system
- The successful launch and continuing development of the loyalty application in Franco Manca
- The successful launch of the virtual queue application in Franco Manca
- Local community action, for example working with food banks and donating pizza and souvlakis to NHS workers during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Recruitment undertaken locally
- Local sourcing of some products to establish stronger bonds with the local community
- Ongoing focus on environmentally friendly operating procedures, for example undertaking an Energy Savings Opportunity Scheme audit (carried out by an independent third party specialist) during the course of the 2021 Financial Year

#### THE FULHAM SHORE PLC STRATEGIC REPORT – SECTION 172 STATEMENT

#### S172 Matters

(e) The desirability of the Group maintaining a reputation for high standards of business

(f) The need to act fairly as regards stakeholders in the company

Approved on behalf of the Board.

#### DM Page

Chairman

16 August 2021

#### Specific examples

- Upholding ethical standards in HR practices and ingredients sourcing
- Regular compliance updates at Board meetings
- Ongoing staff training and communication
- Regular restaurant visits
- Strong audit processes covering food safety, human resource compliance and financial process compliance amongst others
- Shareholder and, more widely, stakeholder engagement
- Maintaining an open dialogue with our shareholders and other interested parties
- One class of share capital ensures that all shareholders are treated equally

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Directors of The Fulham Shore PLC are:

#### David Page - Executive Chairman

David trained as both a cartographer and a teacher. He was the owner and managing director of the largest PizzaExpress franchisee organisation - the G&F Group - from 1973 to 1993. The flotation of PizzaExpress PLC took place in 1993. David was chief executive of PizzaExpress and then chairman until it was acquired by a private equity house in 2002. Following the sale of PizzaExpress in 2003, David founded and was chairman of The Clapham House Group PLC from 2003 to 2010, the owner of Gourmet Burger Kitchen ("GBK") and Bombay Bicycle Club. David's investment portfolio in the sector includes shareholdings in a range of restaurants, including: Rocca di Papa and MEATliquor.

#### **Nabil Mankarious –** *Managing Director*

Nabil came to the United Kingdom from Alexandria, Egypt in 1986 to study medicine. Whilst a student, he started work in the kitchen of a PizzaExpress restaurant and rose through the ranks to become Regional Director for PizzaExpress London in 2001. From 2006 until 2011, Nabil was head of Group Purchasing at The Clapham House Group PLC and head of operations at GBK, its largest subsidiary company.

#### Nicholas Donaldson - Director and Company Secretary

Nick, a barrister by profession, has spent the majority of his career in the corporate finance field. Nick worked as Head of Corporate Finance and M&A at Credit Lyonnais Securities from 1996 until 2000. Thereafter he was Head of Investment Banking in Europe for Robert W. Baird and subsequently Head of Corporate Finance at Arbuthnot Securities. Nick has spent the majority of his career providing strategic advice to companies in a range of sectors, including the restaurant sector. Nick is non-executive chairman of AIM quoted DP Poland PLC. He was a co-founder of The Clapham House Group PLC, which was the subject of a recommended takeover in 2010.

#### Nicholas Wong - Finance Director

Nick qualified as a chartered accountant with Baker Tilly and specialised, pre and post qualification, in corporate finance. From 2005 to 2013, Nick was the Group Finance Director and Company Secretary of The Clapham House Group PLC and worked on the acquisitions of several restaurant businesses including GBK, the disposal of several restaurant businesses and the recommended takeover of The Clapham House Group PLC in 2010. During this time GBK grew from 6 to over 60 restaurants in the UK and over 10 internationally. Nick also looked after the IT and online strategy of various restaurant businesses, introducing numerous loyalty and social media systems into those businesses.

#### Martin Chapman – Independent Non-executive Director

In November 2012, Martin exercised his option to take early retirement after a 38 year career with HSBC Bank plc. For the 10 years prior to his retirement, Martin held the position of Head of Corporate Banking for HSBC's largest Corporate Banking team based in the West End of London. In addition to managing and leading a large team of senior managers, Martin had ultimate responsibility for managing the Bank's relationship with a large number of corporate customers covering almost all industry sectors and included a substantial number of publicly quoted companies. As well as the general mid market corporate business, Martin was also responsible for the Bank's Corporate Real Estate business for Southern England as well the Bank's Corporate Hotel business for the whole of the UK. Martin has spent the majority of his career in Corporate Banking where he has gained considerable experience in leading strategic discussion with management teams/shareholders and stakeholders in exploring debt financing options and Capital Market solutions for supporting growth, whether organically or by way of acquisition or merger activities. Martin is also a non executive director of Weston Group plc and Octagon Developments Limited.

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#### **Desmond Gunewardena –** *Independent Non-executive Director*

Des qualified as a chartered accountant at Ernst & Young and was responsible for financial planning at property conglomerate Heron International during the mid-1980's. In 1991 he joined design entrepreneur Sir Terence Conran as his business partner and CEO. During their 15 year period together Terence and Des built Conran from a small design company into a global restaurant, retail, hotel and design company employing 2,000 staff in the major cities of the world. In 2006 Des, as its Chairman and CEO led a buyout of Conran Restaurants (now renamed D&D London), a luxury restaurant group that owns and operates over 40 venues in London, Leeds, Manchester, Bristol, Paris and New York. D&D also owns South Place, an 80 bedroom luxury hotel in the City of London. Des and business partner David Loewi are current UK group restauranteurs of the year. Des has previously held non-executive directorships of publicly listed restaurant and design companies. For a number of years Des has been listed as one the Evening Standard's Top 1,000 most influential Londoners and in 2013 was shortlisted as EY's London Entrepreneur of the year.

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

I have pleasure in introducing the Company's Corporate Governance Statement. As an AIM quoted company the Board of The Fulham Shore PLC recognises the importance of ethical behaviour groupwide and of sound corporate governance. In line with updated AIM Rules, the Company adopted the Quoted Companies Alliance ("QCA") Guidelines during our 2019 Financial Year. As Chairman I am responsible for ensuring that the Board operates effectively and that a high standard of corporate governance is upheld throughout the Group. The Board is accountable to the Company's shareholders for good governance, and our Directors hold each other to account in maintaining a high ethical standard in their behaviour and decision making. We believe that our corporate culture is consistent with the Company's objectives, its strategy and business model. We work hard to ensure that the whole Fulham Shore team is properly engaged with our business, including our risks and opportunities. Through our in-house training systems, regular communications to staff members and through visiting our restaurants 'ad hoc' and speaking to the staff there, we believe that we have a good understanding of the mood and the aspirations of the Fulham Shore team. We believe that, thanks to these processes and despite COVID-19, we have a consistent, strong corporate culture, appropriate for a business which operates two successful consumer brands in a growing number of communities. The enthusiasm to grow our business remains strong.

#### The Board

The Board is the body responsible for the Group's objectives, its policies and the stewardship of its resources. The Board comprises four executive directors and two non-executive directors. The profiles of the Board members appear on pages 17 and 18 of this report. These indicate the high level and range of business experience held by the directors which enables the Group to be managed effectively. Details of the Directors' shareholdings in the Company are given on page 27. All members of the Board have access to the services and advice of the company secretary.

The Board has a schedule of matters reserved for its decision, which includes material capital commitments, business acquisitions and disposals and Board appointments. Directors are given appropriate information for each Board meeting, including reports on the current financial and trading position. The Board is required to act in the way it considers would be most likely to promote the success of the Company for the benefit of its members as a whole, and in so doing, to have regard to the interests of certain stakeholders and the other matters set out in section 172 of the Companies Act 2006.

As noted in the section headed "Principal risks and uncertainties" in the "Strategic Report – Financial Review" on pages 12 and 13 of this report, the Board has in place effective procedures for identifying and addressing risks which might affect the business of the Group.

#### **Board Committees**

The Board considers its governance framework to be appropriate for the Group at the present time. The Board has delegated authority to the following Committees and there are written terms of reference for each committee outlining its authority and duties:

#### The Audit Committee

The Audit Committee comprises the Company's two non-executive directors: DAL Gunewardena, who acts as chairman of the Audit Committee, and MA Chapman. A quorum shall be two members of the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee will meet at least twice a year and at such other times as the chairman of the Audit Committee shall deem necessary. The Audit Committee receives and reviews reports from management and the Company's auditors relating to the interim and annual accounts and keeps under review the accounting and internal controls which the Company has in place.

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

#### Remuneration Committee

The Remuneration Committee comprises the Company's two independent non-executive directors: MA Chapman, who acts as chairman of the Remuneration Committee, and DAL Gunewardena. A quorum shall be two members of the Remuneration Committee. The Remuneration Committee will meet at such times as the chairman of the Remuneration Committee or the Board deem necessary. The Remuneration Committee shall determine and review the terms and conditions of service of the executive directors and the non-executive directors. The Remuneration Committee will also review the terms and conditions of any proposed share incentive plans, to be approved by the Board and the Company's shareholders.

#### **Board appointments**

The Company does not have a Nomination Committee. Any Board appointments are dealt with by the Board itself. Any Director appointed during the year is required to retire and seek election by shareholders at the next Annual General Meeting following their appointment. The Articles of Association of the Company provide that any Directors who were not appointed or re-appointed at one of the two preceding Annual General Meetings must retire and may offer themselves for re-appointment.

#### **Board attendance**

Directors are expected to attend all of the meetings of the Board and the Committees on which they sit, and to devote sufficient time to the Group's affairs to enable them to fulfil their duties as Directors. In the event that Directors are unable to attend a meeting, their comments on board papers to be considered at the meeting are discussed in advance with the Chairman or the Finance Director so that their contribution can be included in the wider Board discussions.

Attendance of each board member during the financial year ended 28 March 2021 was as follows:

	Attended Meetings	Full Board Meetings % of Meetings Attended	Attended Meetings	Audit Committee % of Meetings Attended	Attended Meetings	Remuneration Committee % of Meetings Attended
DM Page	12	100%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NAG Mankarious	12	100%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NJ Donaldson	12	100%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
NCW Wong	12	100%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MA Chapman	12	100%	2	100%	2	100%
DAL Gunewardena	12	100%	2	100%	2	100%

With effect from the first UK lockdown in March 2020, the Board put in place a weekly video call to monitor COVID-19 developments, the Group's performance and to discuss and agree appropriate, rapid responses. All Board members, executive and non-executive, attend these calls. At the time of finalising this annual report, this arrangement continues. The attendance of members of the Board at these weekly calls has been consistently at a high level.

#### **External appointments**

Executive Directors are permitted to accept external appointments with the prior approval of the Board, where there is no adverse impact on their role with the Group. Such appointments should broaden their experience. Any fees arising from such roles may be retained by the Director.

#### Directors' liability insurance and indemnity

The Group has arranged insurance cover in respect of legal action against its Directors. To the extent permitted by UK law, the Group also indemnifies the Directors. These provisions were in force throughout the year and in force at the date of this report.

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

#### **Board performance evaluation**

During the year, notwithstanding the UK Government's mandate to work from home where possible, the Board undertook informal internal performance evaluation of the Directors and the Board Committees addressing, above all, the effectiveness and continuing commitment of the Directors.

The Board continues to believe that the Company has a well-balanced Board with a good range of skills. Mindful of the above, the Board continues to believe that the performance of Fulham Shore's directors is effective. The non-executive directors continue to demonstrate their independence, and all directors continue to demonstrate their continued commitment to the role.

The Board believes that the Board and its Committees continue to work well together with the right balance of skills and expertise. Succession planning continues to be a key area of focus to support the Company's long-term plans.

#### Independence of the Auditor

The Audit Committee undertakes a formal assessment of the auditor's independence each year which will include:

- a review of non-audit services provided to the Group and related fees;
- discussion with the auditor of a written report detailing all relationships with the Group and any other parties which could affect independence or the perception of independence;
- a review of the auditor's own procedures for ensuring the independence of the audit firm and partners and staff involved in the audit, including the regular rotation of the audit partner; and
- obtaining written confirmation from the auditor that, in their professional judgment, they are independent.

An analysis of the fees payable to the external audit firm in respect of both audit and non-audit services during the year is set out in note 2 to the financial statements.

#### **Annual General Meeting**

Shareholders are encouraged to attend and vote at the Company's General Meetings so that they can discuss strategy and governance with the Board. The full Board usually attends the Annual General Meeting and is available to answer shareholders' questions.

The Board continues to closely monitor the Covid19 pandemic and its current intention is to proceed with holding the AGM on 29 September 2021 as an open meeting. Accordingly, shareholders are invited to attend this year's AGM in person. It is unclear as to what restrictions may be in place on the day of the annual general meeting. Given the evolving nature of the situation, it may become necessary to make alternative arrangements for the AGM and the manner in which it is held, should the restrictions that are in place at the time of the meeting restrict or prevent shareholders from attending in person. In such circumstances, the Company will notify shareholders of this change by means of a RNS and, to cover this eventuality, shareholders are encouraged to use their right to appoint the Chair of the AGM as their proxy. Shareholders can do this by using one of the methods detailed in the notes to the Notice of Annual General Meeting as soon as possible. It is important to note that the submission of a proxy form in this manner will not preclude shareholders from attending the meeting in person, where this is still possible.

#### **DM Page**

Chairman

16 August 2021

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC REPORT ON DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

#### **Remuneration Committee**

The Remuneration Committee is authorised by the Board to determine the Company's remuneration policy on executive and non-executive Directors' service contracts and remuneration including share based incentive awards. The Remuneration Committee is chaired by MA Chapman, non-executive director. DAL Gunewardena also served on the committee during the year.

The Company has chosen to apply the Corporate Governance Code published by the Quoted Companies Alliance. This report has been prepared taking account of this Corporate Governance Code.

#### **External advisers**

The Remuneration Committee seeks and considers advice from independent remuneration advisers where appropriate. The appointed advisers, FIT Remuneration Consultants ("FIT"), were selected following a thorough process led by the Chairman of the Remuneration Committee at the time and were appointed by the Remuneration Committee in 2019. The Chairman of the Remuneration Committee has direct access to the advisers as and when required. The advice and recommendations of the external advisers are used as a guide, but do not serve as a substitute for thorough consideration of the issues by each Remuneration Committee member. Advisers attend committee meetings occasionally, as and when required by the Remuneration Committee.

FIT is a member of the Remuneration Consultants Group and the voluntary code of conduct of that body is designed to ensure objective and independent advice is given to remuneration committees.

FIT was appointed to advise on market practice; governance; provision of market data on executive reward; reward consultancy; advice specific to remuneration matters in the context of COVID-19; and performance analysis.

#### Remuneration policy

The Company's executive remuneration packages are designed to attract, motivate and retain personnel of the high calibre needed to create value for shareholders. There are three components to the executive Directors' remuneration, being basic salary and benefits, annual bonus scheme and share based incentive schemes. The performance measurement of the executive Directors and key members of senior management and the determination of their annual remuneration packages is undertaken by the remuneration committee.

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC REPORT ON DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

#### **Directors' remuneration**

Below is a summary of the pay packages awarded to the Directors including bonuses, if any, earned in respect of the financial year (which will be paid in cash in the following year).

Year ended 28 March 2021

	Salary £'000	Fees £'000	Waived* £'000	Bonus £'000	Benefits £'000	Pensions £'000	Total £'000
Executive Directors							
DM Page	195	_	(39)	_	6	_	162
NAG Mankarious	212	_	(42)	_	3	11	184
NJ Donaldson**	15	44	(12)	_	5	_	52
NCW Wong	189		(38)		1	9	161
	611	44	(131)	_	15	20	559
Non-executive Director			( /				
MA Chapman	47	_	(9)	_	_	1	39
DAL Gunewardena	38	_	(7)	_	_	1	32
	696	44	(147)	_	15	22	630
Year ended 29 March 20	020:						
		Salary	Fees	Bonus	Benefits	Pensions	Total
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Executive Directors							
DM Page		195	_	57	5	_	257
NAG Mankarious		212	_	61	2	11	286

Executive Directors						
DM Page	195	_	57	5	_	257
NAG Mankarious	212	_	61	2	11	286
NJ Donaldson	_	59	17	4	_	80
NCW Wong	189		55	1	9	254
	596	59	190	12	20	877
Non-executive Director						
MA Chapman	47	_	_	_	1	48
DAL Gunewardena	38				1	39
	681	59	190	12	22	964

<sup>\*</sup> In light of trading during the year ended 28 March 2021, the usual annual review on 1 April 2020 was not undertaken and all Directors and certain members of the senior management agreed to waive 20% of their basic salary from 1 April 2020 up until 30 June 2021 at which time all Group restaurants had reopened for trading and all staff had to return to work from furlough.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The fees, bonus and benefits in respect of NJ Donaldson were paid to London Bridge Capital Partners LLP for his services as a Director of the Company up to 31 December 2020. From 1 January 2021, NJ Donaldson was remunerated directly by the Company.

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC REPORT ON DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

#### Retirement benefits

During the year ended 28 March 2021, the Company made pension contributions for eligible directors into a defined contribution scheme at a rate of 5% of basic salary (2020: 5%). The Company also provided death in service benefits to all Directors and certain members of the senior management team.

#### Incentive arrangements

The Directors and employees of the Group also participate in incentive arrangements to reward individuals if shareholder value is created.

Under these arrangements, certain Directors are entitled to performance related bonuses and participation in share based incentive schemes. The performance related bonuses for Executive Directors are based 70% on achieving and overdelivering on the Group's budgeted Headline EBITDA for the financial year and 30% on non-financial performance (board effectiveness, successful restaurant openings and customer satisfaction). The details of the share based incentive schemes are given in note 18 to the Financial Statements.

#### Directors' interests in Group share based incentive schemes

The interests of the Directors under the Group's share based incentive schemes as at 28 March 2021 were as follows:

	Options outstanding as at 29 March 2020 No.	Options exercised during the year No.	Options outstanding as at 28 March 2021 No.	Exercise Price £	Exercisable Date	Expiry Date
Enterprise Managem Incentives	ent					
DM Page	554,200 3,332,842	(554,200) —	- 3,332,842	0.05 0.06	25/02/2017 20/10/2017	25/02/2021 20/10/2021
NAG Mankarious	554,200 3,332,842	(554,200) (3,332,842)	_ _	0.05 0.06	25/02/2017 20/10/2017	25/02/2021 20/10/2021
NCW Wong	1,670,172 2,774,856	(1,670,172) (2,774,856)		0.05 0.06	25/02/2017 20/10/2017	25/02/2021 20/10/2021
<i>Unapproved</i> DM Page	1,647,256 4,732,795		1,647,256 4,732,795	0.06 0.11	20/10/2017 21/04/2018	20/10/2024 21/04/2025
NAG Mankarious	1,647,256 4,732,795		1,647,256 4,732,795	0.06 0.11	20/10/2017 21/04/2018	20/10/2024 21/04/2025
NCW Wong	2,205,242 4,732,795	_ _	2,205,242 4,732,795	0.06 0.11	20/10/2017 21/04/2018	20/10/2024 21/04/2025
NJ Donaldson	554,200 4,980,098 4,732,795	(554,200) _ _	4,980,098 4,732,795	0.05 0.06 0.11	25/02/2017 20/10/2017 21/04/2018	25/02/2021 20/10/2024 21/04/2025
MA Chapman	3,325,135 2,366,397		3,325,135 2,366,397	0.06 0.11	20/10/2017 21/04/2018	20/10/2024 21/04/2025

All share options above have been issued at the market price of the ordinary shares at the date of grant. During the year ended 28 March 2021, the market price of ordinary shares in the Company ranged from £0.0475 (2020: £0.0450) to £0.1650 (2020: £0.1290). The share price as at 28 March 2021 was £0.1525 (2020: £0.0550). There are no performance conditions attached to vesting of the share options.

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC REPORT ON DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

DM Page, NAG Mankarious, NCW Wong and NJ Donaldson exercised options over 9,440,470 ordinary shares during the year ended 28 March 2021 (2020: DM Page and NAG Mankarious exercised options over 2,231,944 ordinary shares). The aggregate gains made on the exercise of options during the year was £599,756 (2020: £223,194).

The total share based payments charge in relation to the Directors' interest in share options recognised in the Group during the year was £Nil (2020: £Nil).

Details of the Directors' shareholdings are given in the Directors' Report on page 27.

#### **Arrangements for 2022**

Board remuneration is reviewed annually to take effect from 1 April each year. In light of trading impacted by coronavirus, the 2020/2021 annual review of salary, bonus scheme, benefits and pension contributions for the Board and for the whole Group did not take place and therefore salaries remained unchanged. The review for 1 April 2021 was deferred to 1 July 2021 and the Remuneration Committee felt that only an inflationary increase for the Board was appropriate with effect from 1 July 2021.

In addition, all Directors of the Company and certain members of the senior management team agreed to waive 20 per cent of remuneration due to them with effect from 1 April 2020 and this waiver continued until 30 June 2021.

The Remuneration Committee review of the Company's long term incentive scheme was deferred from the previous financial year. With the assistance of FIT, the Remuneration Committee has recently explored a number of alternative schemes to the current share option plans. Following the introduction in February 2021 of net settlement for the existing Unapproved Share Option Scheme to reduce the dilutive effect on exercise and the cost of implementation of a new and more complex scheme, the Remuneration Committee has taken the decision to continue with the current share option plans for the Executive Directors and certain members of the senior management team. All share option grants will be within existing approved limits and will be made after the full year's results announcement.

#### Directors' service agreements

NJ Donaldson was appointed as a Director on 2 March 2012. NJ Donaldson's consultancy agreement through London Bridge Capital Partners LLP came to an end on 31 December 2020 at which point NJ Donaldson entered into a new direct service agreement with the Company that is terminable on 12 months' notice to be given by either party.

There were no changes to the terms of all other Executive Directors' service agreements during the year ended 28 March 2021. All such service agreements are also terminable on 12 months' notice to be given by either party.

There were also no changes to the terms of all Non-Executive Directors' service agreements during the year ended 28 March 2021. There service agreements are terminable on 3 months' notice to be given by either party.

#### **Approval**

This report was approved by the Board of Directors on 16 August 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

#### **MA Chapman**

Chairman of the Remuneration Committee

The Directors have pleasure in presenting their report on the affairs of the Group, together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 28 March 2021.

#### **Principal activity**

The principal activity of the Group and Company is the operation and management of restaurants.

#### Review of the business and future developments

Information about the progress of the business and the Group's corporate activities is given in the Chairman's Statement on pages 4 to 7 and the Financial Review on pages 8 to 14.

#### Matters of strategic importance

The business review and future outlook, key performance indicators, principal risks and uncertainties required by Schedule 7 of the Large and Medium-sized Companies and Groups (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 have been included in the separate Strategic Report in accordance with section 414C (11) of the Companies Act 2006. Information on how the business has fostered the Group's business relationships with suppliers, customers and others can also be found in the Strategic Report.

#### Results and dividends

Revenue for the year ended 28 March 2021 was £40,285,000 (2020: £68,565,000), Headline Operating Loss for the same period was £2,105,000 (2020: profit of £4,437,000) and Operating Loss for the same period was £4,771,000 (2020: profit of £1,832,000).

No final dividend is being proposed by the Board. It remains the Board's policy that, subject to the availability of distributable reserves, dividends will be paid to shareholders when the Directors believe it is appropriate and prudent to do so.

#### **Directors**

The following Directors of the Company have held office since 29 March 2020:

DM Page NAG Mankarious NJ Donaldson NCW Wong MA Chapman DAL Gunewardena

The Directors at the date of this report, together with their biographical details, are set out on pages 17 and 18.

At the 2021 Annual General Meeting, in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, NAG Mankarious will retire from the Board. Being eligible, and with the Board's recommendation, they will offer themselves for re-election.

#### **Directors' interests in shares**

Directors' interests in the shares of the Company, including family interests, were as follows:

Director	As at 28 Mar Ordinary shares of 1p each	As at 29 March 2020 Ordinary shares of 1p each %		
D. ( D	,	40.400/	,	4.4.470/
DM Page	83,515,120	13.49%	81,267,120	14.17%
NAG Mankarious	116,879,434	18.88%	113,927,434	19.86%
NJ Donaldson	14,998,573	2.42%	13,190,573	2.30%
NCW Wong	12,388,449	2.00%	8,995,593	1.57%
MA Chapman	1,086,818	0.18%	766,818	0.13%
DAL Gunewardena	774,545	0.13%	454,545	0.08%

Details of the Directors' interests in share options during the year are disclosed in the Report on Directors' Remuneration on pages 22 to 25.

#### Directors' liability insurance and indemnity

The Group has arranged insurance cover in respect of legal action against its Directors. To the extent permitted by UK law, the Group also indemnifies the Directors. These provisions were in force throughout the year and in force at the date of this report.

#### **Substantial shareholders**

The Directors' interests in the shares of the Company have been disclosed above. On 13 August 2021, the Company had been notified of the following interests over 3% in the ordinary share capital of the Company:

	As at 13 August 2021	
	Ordinary shares of 1p each	%
NAG Mankarious	116,879,434	18.89%
S Wasif	84,870,414	13.71%
DM Page	83,515,120	13.49%
Canaccord Genuity Group Inc	31,276,902	5.05%
Unicorn Asset Management Limited	31,032,807	5.01%
P Solari	22,670,250	3.66%
G Mascoli	21,677,246	3.50%

No other person has reported an interest of more than 3% in the ordinary shares.

#### **Employment policy**

The Group's policies respect the individual regardless of gender, age, race or religion. Where reasonable and practical under existing legislation, all persons, including disabled persons, have been treated fairly and consistently, including matters relating to employment, training and career development.

The Group takes a positive view of employee communication and has established and maintains systems for employee consultation, feedback and communication of developments in each business and as a Group. These systems include:

- Line manager briefings and weekly bulletins;
- Communication forums and roadshows held by functions or brands across the Group;
- O A dedicated intranet system and e-mail news alerts; and
- Focus groups and staff surveys.

The Group operates employee share schemes and a number of profit-related pay schemes as a means of further encouraging the involvement of employees in the Group's performance.

#### Political and charitable contributions

During the year ended 28 March 2021 the Group made no political contributions (2020: £Nil). The Group made charitable donations during the year ended 28 March 2021 by contributing £5,000 (2020: £5,000) to local charities and good causes.

In addition, Franco Manca donated over 15,000 (2020: 4,000) pizzas to local food banks and homeless shelters throughout the year.

#### **Energy Consumption**

The Group presents its greenhouse gases ("GHG") emissions and energy use data under Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting ("SECR") for the year ended 28 March 2021:

	Year ended 28 March 2021 UK Only	Year ended 29 March 2020 UK Only
	tCO2(e)	tCO2(e)
Energy consumption used to calculate emissions:		
Scope 1 – Natural Gas	447	607
Scope 2 – Electricity	1,065	1,696
Scope 3	15	20
Total	1,527	2,323
Energy Intensity (Tonnes CO2e per £1,000 of Revenue)	0.04	0.03

The Group's total energy consumption for the year ended 28 March 2021 was 7,218,318 kWh (2020: 10,259,526 kWh). The reduction in the total energy consumption and the calculated CO2 emissions are driven by the restricted COVID-19 trading conditions during the year. As such, the Group has yet to see the true benefit of the conversion of lighting to LED undertaken in 2019 and 2020. The Board expects that the emissions levels will increase in the next financial year as trading returns to normal but will focus on how the Group can improve its energy efficiency.

As the Group only controls operations within the UK, no data is presented for non-UK consumption.

#### Annual general meeting

On pages 97 to 98 s a notice convening the annual general meeting of the Company for 29 September 2021 and the notice sets out the resolutions to be proposed at that meeting. The Board believes that the proposed resolutions to be put to the annual general meeting to be held on 29 September 2021 are in the best interests of shareholders and, accordingly, recommends that shareholders vote in favour of the resolutions.

#### Statement as to disclosure of information to auditors

The Directors who were in office on the date of approval of these financial statements have confirmed that as far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the auditors are unaware. The Directors have confirmed that they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as Directors in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that it has been communicated to the auditor.

#### Going concern

The Company's and Group's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect its future development, performance and position are set out in the Strategic Report on pages 4 to 16. In addition, note 15 to the financial statements includes the company's objectives, policies and processes for managing its capital, its financial risk management objectives and its exposures to credit risk and liquidity risk.

At the end of financial year ended 28 March 2021, the Group was trading within its banking covenants and significantly within its debt facilities.

The Group's net current liabilities position at the year end has reduced from the prior year as the Group has built up cash balances as part of its risk management during COVID-19 lockdown including the cash effect of renegotiating and deferring rental payments due in the year. Net current liabilities can be covered by day to day operational cash flow, where revenues are normally received within 7 days of recognition, short term overdraft facilities and utilising undrawn long term borrowing facilities. The main long term revolving credit facility does not require repayment before March 2022, while the new Coronavirus Large Business Interruption Loan ("CLBIL") requires payment of up to £3.7m in the new financial year commencing 29 March 2021. When appropriate the Group will consider whether the Group requires these facilities to be renewed.

COVID-19 and government action since 20 March 2020 has had a significant impact on trading and therefore forecasts used for going concern analysis. Since 19 July 2021, trading restrictions previously in place on dine in trade have been lifted. The Directors have reviewed the rapidly evolving situation relating to COVID-19 and have modelled a series of downside case scenarios including the closure of all restaurants for a prolonged period time in line with previous lockdowns. These downside cases, whilst being considered by the Board to be extremely prudent, have a significant adverse impact on sales, margin and cash flow. As detailed in the Strategic report, various mitigating actions were taken by the Board during the various national lockdowns. Such mitigating actions and other additional actions have been factored into the scenarios. Even in the most severe scenario where restaurants are closed for 26 weeks, the Group has adequate liquidity to cover the losses and recommence trading as we have done following the various lockdowns. In any other scenario where the Group is only closing restaurants to dine-in and allowed to be open for takeaway and delivery service, the impact on cash flow is significantly lower.

The Directors have reviewed the Group's net current liabilities position, forecasts, sensitivity to the further impact of COVID-19, availability of potential equity funding, other longer term plans and the financial resources and bank facilities in place that are available to deal with the business risks of the Company and the Group. The Group had net funds, before lease liabilities recognised under IFRS 16, as at 15 August 2021 of £3.5m thus having headroom of over £27m available. Additionally, the Group's opening programme can be adjusted fluidly to take account of business risks and the wider economic risks. The Directors feel well placed to manage the business risks successfully within the present financial arrangements.

The Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company and the Group have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

#### **Subsequent Events**

Impact of Covid-19

On 6 January 2021, the UK Government issued direct instructions to again temporarily close all restaurants to dine-in trade as part of wider efforts in the fight against Covid-19. All of the Group's restaurants therefore once again closed to dine in trade with a handful of restaurants fully closed.

Following the financial year end and since 12 April 2021, the date from which the UK Government determined that restaurants could reopen to serve dine-in customers outdoors if safe to do so, the Group has undertaken a gradual reopening of its restaurants to dine in customers. On 17 May 2021, the UK Government allowed restaurants to reopen indoor dining areas, with social distancing rules, if safe to do so. The Group has since early June reopened all restaurants to dine-in customers but with social distancing rules applied thus with fewer available covers. On 19 July 2021, social distancing rules were removed by the UK Government thus allowing all restaurants to increase capacity back to similar levels to those prior to the start of the pandemic in March 2020.

#### **Auditors**

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

Approved on behalf of the Board.

#### **DM Page**

Chairman

16 August 2021

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, 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. The directors have elected under company law to prepare the financial statements in accordance with International Accounting Standards in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

The Group and Company financial statements are required by law and International Accounting Standards, in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 to present fairly the financial position of the Group and the Company and the financial performance of the Group. The Companies Act 2006 provides in relation to such financial statements that references in the relevant part of that Act to financial statements giving a true and fair view are references to their achieving a fair presentation.

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 Group and the Company and of the profit or loss of the Group for that period.

In preparing each of the Group and Company financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- a. select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- b. make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c. state whether they have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006; and
- d. prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the group and company will continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Group's and Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Group and 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 Group and 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 Fulham Shore PLC website.

Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

On behalf of the Board.

#### DM Page

Chairman

16 August 2021

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE FULHAM SHORE PLC

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Fulham Shore Plc (the 'parent company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 28 March 2021 which comprise Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income, Consolidated and Company Balance Sheets, Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity, Company Statement of Changes in Equity and Consolidated and Company Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in the preparation of the group financial statements is applicable law and International Accounting Standards in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and, as regards the parent company financial statements as applied in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006.

#### In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and of the parent company's affairs as at 28 March 2021 and of the group's loss for the year then ended;
- the group financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006;
- the parent company financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006; and
- the financial statements 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 group and the parent 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 as applied to listed entities 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. Our evaluation of the directors' assessment of the group's and parent company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting included reviewing and evaluating management's trading and cash flow forecasts to March 2023, challenging the assumptions made, comparing actual results to budget for the prior year and the period immediately post year end, reviewing management's sensitivity analysis, forecast compliance with covenants and repayment of facilities during the forecast period in line with the facility agreements. In addition, we considered the headroom in the facilities held by the Group and its ability to repay those facilities. Our key observation is that the directors have made reasonable assumptions about future trading and cash flows when considering the use of the going concern basis of accounting.

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 group's or the parent 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.

Summary of our aud	lit approach				
Key audit matters	Group				
	<ul> <li>Goodwill and intangibles impairment</li> <li>Impairment of property, plant &amp; equipment</li> <li>Government grants – Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS)</li> </ul>				
	Parent Company				
	<ul> <li>None</li> </ul>				
Materiality	Group				
	<ul> <li>Overall materiality: £279,000 (2020: £289,000)</li> <li>Performance materiality: £209,000 (2020: £217,000)</li> </ul>				
	Parent Company				
	<ul> <li>Overall materiality: £256,000 (2020: £264,700)</li> <li>Performance materiality: £192,000 (2020: £198,000)</li> </ul>				
Scope	Our audit procedures covered 100% of revenue, 99.8% of total assets and 100% of profit before tax.				

#### Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the group financial statements of the current period and include the most significant assessed risks of material misstatement (whether or not due to fraud) we identified, including those which had the greatest effect on the overall audit strategy, the allocation of resources in the audit and directing the efforts of the engagement team. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the group financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

#### Revenue recognition

Key	audit	matter
desc	criptio	n

Refer to page 53 (Accounting policies – revenue) and note 1 (segment information)

The Group's revenue consists of a high volume of relatively low value transactions, a significant proportion of which are in cash. The nature of these transactions is such that there is very little judgement involved in revenue recognition. There is, however, a risk, particularly during period of remote working and possible disruption to normal control processes, that cash may be misappropriated or that cash sales are not recorded. There is also a risk over the occurrence and accuracy of reported revenue, with incentive to overstate revenue in the business.

Furthermore, this matter has had a significant impact on allocation of audit resources.

#### Our audit approach included:

- Gaining an understanding of the processes and controls operated by the group over revenue, and performing walk through tests
- Obtaining input from an IT specialist to review the IT general controls around revenue

### How the matter was addressed in the audit

- Obtaining and agreeing management's reconciliation between the EPOS system and the accounting records
- Reperforming a sample of daily sales reconciliations to bank statements
- Agreeing the total of cash and card receipts to total sales for the year
- Reviewing daily sales by site for any significant or unusual trends.

#### **Key observations**

We have no observations to report in respect of this key audit matter.

#### Goodwill and intangibles impairment

# Key audit matter description

Refer to page 54 (Accounting Estimates - Assessment of the recoverable amounts in respect of assets tested for impairment) and note 7 on intangible assets

At the year-end date, the Group had goodwill totalling £20.7m arising from past acquisitions. The balance is attributable to:

- Franco Manca cash generating unit ("CGU") £18.9m
- The Real Greek CGU £1.8m

Management considers that these are the smallest groups of CGUs to which goodwill can be allocated without making an arbitrary allocation. In addition, at the year-end date the brand intangible in relation to Franco Manca had a carrying value of £3.3m (2020: £4.1m) with a remaining useful life of four (2020: five years).

Management is required by IAS 36 to test for impairment of goodwill on an annual basis. Management carefully considered the carrying value of goodwill and whether any impairment existed at the year-end date.

For the impairment testing at 28 March 2021 management prepared discounted cash flow forecasts using a pre-tax discount rate based on a weighted average cost of capital (WACC) and comparisons to the Group's peers of 10.25% (2020: 6.9%). The Accounting Policies note that this discount rate is the rate considered by the Board to reflect the risk associated with each group of CGUs.

Given the value of the balances, the continued challenging conditions the restaurant industry is currently facing and has faced in the past year from the impact of the Coronavirus pandemic ("Covid-19"), significant management judgements involved in forecasting the cash flows and in determining the assumptions used, assessing whether goodwill is impaired could have a material impact on the financial statements and was therefore determined to be a key audit matter. Significant management judgements are required in respect of forecast consumer demand and habits.

#### Our audit approach included:

- Auditing management's annual impairment reviews by comparing the value in use to the carrying value of the goodwill and attributable operating assets of each group of CGUs
- Agreeing the mathematical accuracy and integrity of the calculations
- Considering the reasonableness of management's key assumptions and judgements in preparing the discounted cash flow forecasts, and challenging them where appropriate using our knowledge of comparable businesses and market data

### How the matter was addressed in the audit

- Reviewing management's sensitivity analysis and considering the headroom on both CGUs shown by management's value in use calculations, and the reasonableness and likelihood of changes in key assumptions that would result in an impairment
- Consulting internal valuations experts over the inputs to the calculation of the discount rate
- Challenging the discount rate used by management, including the assumptions used
- Comparing forecast cash flows to actual results observed in the first quarter of the current financial year
- Discussing with management the impact of Covid-19 on the forecast and actual results post-year end
- Considering any evidence of management bias in assumptions used in the annual impairment review
- Considering the accuracy of management's forecasting in the previous period
- Reviewing disclosures in the financial statements

#### Key observations

We have no observations to report in respect of this key audit matter.

#### Impairment of property, plant and equipment

# Key audit matter description

Refer to page 54 (Accounting Estimates - Assessment of the recoverable amounts in respect of assets tested for impairment) and notes 2 - Operating profit and 8 - Property, plant and equipment

The total carrying value of property, plant and equipment (PPE) at the yearend was £95.0m (2020: £100.6m), including Right of Use assets totalling £66.1m (2020: £67.5m).

Given the impact of Covid-19 during the year on the restaurant industry and the risk of continued difficulties as a result of the pandemic there is a risk that PPE is impaired at the year-end date. Management considered the carrying value of PPE on an individual restaurant basis, each of which is a CGU for testing impairment of PPE and Right of Use assets, and whether any individual restaurant showed indications of impairment.

For those individual sites which showed indications of impairment, management carried out detailed impairment testing to consider whether assets attributable to the underperforming restaurants were impaired at the year-end.

During the year ended 28 March 2021, management has recognised a total impairment charge of £1.0m (2020: £0.26m) in respect of five (2020: four) sites. Impairment has been recognised on four of the sites following the closure of Debenhams, in which these sites are located. These sites remain trading at the year-end date; however, an impairment has been recognised given the very short term arrangements in place and the uncertainty as to whether trade will continue.

For the impairment testing at 28 March 2021 a pre-tax discount rate based on a weighted average cost of capital (WACC) and comparisons to the Group's peers of 10.25% (2020: 6.9%) was used. Management has stated in the Accounting Policies note that this discount rate used is the rate considered by the Board to reflect the risk associated with each CGU.

There is significant management judgement involved in forecasting the cash flows, and in considering the potential changes in consumer demand and habits which underpin the assumptions used in the impairment review. These estimates could have a material impact on the financial statements and this was therefore determined to be a key audit matter.

Furthermore, this matter has had a significant impact on allocation of audit resources.

# How the matter was addressed in the audit

Our audit approach included:

- Reviewing management's initial assessment of indicators of impairment for the CGUs and challenging management on those sites not identified as potentially impaired but showing possible signs of impairment.
- For those sites for which triggers for impairment testing were noted, obtaining and checking management's detailed impairment reviews, comparing their discounted cash flow forecasts to the carrying value of property, plant and equipment and Right of Use Asset of each CGU.
- Agreeing the mathematical accuracy and integrity of calculations
- For those sites where detailed impairment calculations were not carried out, obtaining and challenging management's explanations as to why they were not considered to be showing indicators of impairment, and corroborating the explanations to supporting documentation where possible.
- Obtaining and challenging management's key assumptions and discussing with management the impacts of Covid-19 on individual sites.
- Obtaining and challenging management's judgement in respect of sites operating in former Debenham stores.
- Comparing forecast cash flows with actual results observed post year end to assess the reasonableness of management's assumptions and the accuracy of forecasting.
- Challenging management in respect of potential reversal of past impairments recognised.
- Reviewing disclosures in the financial statements.

#### **Key observations**

#### **Government grants**

# Key audit matter description

We have no observations to report in respect of this key audit matter.

Refer to page 53 (Accounting Policies – Government grants), notes 2 - Operating profit and 3 - Employees

The Group received total government grants of £11.5m in relation to CJRS, Eat Out to Help Out (EOTHO) and other government grants during the year-ended 28 March 2021.

A total of £8.5m (2020: £0.2m) was received in respect to the CJRS scheme as the Group placed employees on furlough while sites had restricted trade due to Covid-19.

We identified CJRS claims as a significant risk and a potential fraud risk, and given the significance of the amounts received and impact on the financial statements this was determined to be a key matter.

Furthermore, this matter has had a significant impact on allocation of audit resources.

#### Our audit approach included:

- Obtaining an understanding of the processes and controls around CJRS claims.
- Testing the operating effectiveness of the manual controls in relation to the CJRS claims.

# How the matter was addressed in the audit

- Agreeing receipts in respect of CJRS to supporting claims and subsequent payment to furloughed employees
- Testing a sample of employee furlough claims back to management calculations and reperforming calculations using the HMRC calculator
- In respect to EOTHO and other grants received, testing on a sample basis to supporting documentation and agreeing receipts
- Reviewing disclosures for appropriateness.

#### **Key observations**

Following discussions, management enhanced the clarity of presentation and disclosures of government grants received during the year.

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE FULHAM SHORE PLC

### Our application of materiality

When establishing our overall audit strategy, we set certain thresholds which help us to determine the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures. When evaluating whether the effects of misstatements, both individually and on the financial statements as a whole, could reasonably influence the economic decisions of the users we take into account the qualitative nature and the size of the misstatements. Based on our professional judgement, we determined materiality as follows:

	Group	Parent company
Overall materiality	£279,000 (2020: £289,000)	£256,000 (2020: £265,700)
Basis for determining overall materiality	3.5% of a weighted average Adjusted Headline EBITDA	0.6% of net assets
Rationale for benchmark applied	Adjusted Headline EBITDA is considered to be the primary measure used by the shareholders and management in assessing the performance of the Group.	The parent company does not trade and therefore net assets is considered to be the most appropriate benchmark
	The impact on the Group of Covid-19 has led to Adjusted Headline EBITDA significantly reduced. We have considered a weighted average of Adjusted Headline EBITDA to be the appropriate benchmark	
Performance materiality	£209,000 (2020: £217,000)	£192,000 (2020: £198,000)
Basis for determining performance materiality	75% of overall materiality	75% of overall materiality
Reporting of misstatements to the Audit Committee	Misstatements in excess of £14,000 and misstatements below that threshold that, in our view, warranted reporting on qualitative grounds.	Misstatements in excess of £12,800 and misstatements below that threshold that, in our view, warranted reporting on qualitative grounds.

### An overview of the scope of our audit

The group consists of six non dormant components, all of which are based in the UK.

The coverage achieved by our audit procedures was:

	Number of components	Revenue	Total assets	Profit before tax
Full scope audit	3	100%	99.8%	100%
Total	3	100%	99.8%	100%

Three components are not subject to full scope audit procedures equated to less than 1% of revenue, total assets and profit before tax.

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#### 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.

#### 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.

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

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and the parent company and their environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Strategic Report or the Directors' Report.

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

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

#### Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement set out on page 31, 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 group's and the parent 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 group or the parent 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.

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

Irregularities are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. The objectives of our audit are to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding compliance with laws and regulations that have a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, to perform audit procedures to help identify instances of non-compliance with other laws and regulations that may have a material effect on the financial statements, and to respond appropriately to identified or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations identified during the audit.

In relation to fraud, the objectives of our audit are to identify and assess the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud, to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud through designing and implementing appropriate responses and to respond appropriately to fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit.

However, it is the primary responsibility of management, with the oversight of those charged with governance, to ensure that the entity's operations are conducted in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations and for the prevention and detection of fraud.

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud, the group audit engagement team:

- obtained an understanding of the nature of the industry and sector, including the legal and regulatory framework that the group and parent company operate in and how the group and parent company are complying with the legal and regulatory framework;
- inquired of management, and those charged with governance, about their own identification and assessment
  of the risks of irregularities, including any known actual, suspected or alleged instances of fraud;
- discussed matters about non-compliance with laws and regulations and how fraud might occur including assessment of how and where the financial statements may be susceptible to fraud

The most significant laws and regulations were determined as follows:

Legislation / Regulation	Additional audit procedures performed by the Group audit engagement team included:
IFRS and Companies Act 2006	Review of the financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation;
	Completion of disclosure checklists to identify areas of non-compliance
Tax compliance regulations	Review of the Group's tax computations.  Consultation with our tax specialist.
Food Safety	ISAs limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these laws and regulations to inquiry of management and where appropriate, those charged with governance (as noted above) and inspection of legal and regulatory correspondence, if any.
	We carried out searches in respect of food hygiene ratings to identify any sites poorly rated and indication of potential breaches.
	We obtained and reviewed third party audit reports in respect of hygiene regulations.
	We held discussions with management and reviewed minutes to confirm whether there had been any reported significant breaches in respect of food safety.

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Risk	Audit procedures performed by the audit engagement team:
Revenue recognition	See our response to this key audit matter above.
Government grants – Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS) claims	See our response to this key audit matter above.
Management override of controls	Testing the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments; Assessing whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias; and Evaluating the business rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.

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 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.

#### **GEOFF WIGHTWICK (Senior Statutory Auditor)**

For and on behalf of RSM UK Audit LLP, Statutory Auditor Chartered Accountants 25 Farringdon Street London EC4A 4AB

Date 16 August 2021

	Notes	Year ended 28 March 2021 £'000	Year ended 29 March 2020 £'000
Revenue Cost of sales	1	40,285 (25,227)	68,565 (40,628)
Gross profit		15,058	27,937
Administrative expenses Other income	2	(27,479) 10,270	(23,785) 285
Headline operating (loss)/profit		(2,151)	4,437
Share based payments Pre-opening costs Amortisation of brand Exceptional costs:	18 2 7	(91) (212) (821)	(157) (683) (821)
<ul> <li>Impairment of property, plant and equipment</li> <li>Change in fair value of investment</li> <li>Cost of acquisition</li> <li>COVID-19 related costs</li> </ul>	8 9 2	(1,013) - - (483)	(260) (248) (3) (433)
Operating (loss)/profit Finance income Finance costs	2 4	(4,771) 10 (2,754)	1,832 10 (2,596)
Loss before taxation		(7,515)	(754)
Income tax income/(expense)	5	1,209	(421)
Loss for the year		(6,306)	(1,175)
Other comprehensive income			
Total comprehensive loss		(6,306)	(1,175)
Loss for the year and total comprehensive loss attributable to: Owners of the company Non-controlling interests		(6,306) 	(1,193) 18
		(6,306)	(1,175)
Earnings per share Basic and diluted	6	(1.1p)	(0.2p)

### THE FULHAM SHORE PLC CONSOLIDATED AND COMPANY BALANCE SHEETS 28 MARCH 2021

	Notes	28 March 2021 £'000	Group 29 March 2020 £'000	Par 28 March 2021 £'000	ent company 29 March 2020 £'000
Non-current assets Intangible assets Property, plant and equipment Investments Trade and other receivables	7 8 9 11	24,127 94,958 - 935	25,017 100,606 - 1,081	- 122 44,430 9,456	- 151 44,347 10,567
Deferred tax assets	16	942 120,962	9 126,713	478 54,486	55,068
Current assets Inventories	10	1,976	1,906		
Trade and other receivables Cash and cash equivalents	11 12	2,721 12,270	2,342 2,056	53 5,797	150 1,030
		16,967	6,304	5,850	1,180
Total assets		137,929	133,017	60,336	56,248
Current liabilities Trade and other payables Borrowings Income tax payable	13 14	(14,177) (11,639) (10)	(12,480) (5,163) (135)	(1,994) (3,730)	(1,309) - -
		(25,826)	(17,778)	(5,724)	(1,309)
Net current (liabilities)/asset		(8,859)	(11,474)	126	(129)
Non-current liabilities Borrowings Deferred tax liabilities	14 16	(75,198) (1,448)	(74,591) (1,888)	(12,355)	(14,737)
		(76,646)	(76,479)	(12,355)	(14,737)
Total liabilities		(102,472)	(94,257)	(18,079)	(16,046)
Net assets		35,457	38,760	42,257	40,202
Equity Share capital Share premium Merger relief reserve Reverse acquisition reserve Retained earnings	17	6,191 9,078 30,459 (9,469) (802)	5,736 6,911 30,459 (9,469) 5,123	6,191 9,078 30,459 - (3,471)	5,736 6,911 30,459 - (2,904)
Total Equity		35,457	38,760	42,257	40,202

The loss for the financial year dealt with in the financial statements of the Company is £948,000 (2020: £739,000). The financial statements on pages 41 to 95 were approved by the board of Directors and authorised for issue on 16 August 2011 and are signed on its behalf by:

### **DM Page** Chairman

Company registration number: 07973930

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY for the year ended 28 March 2021

At 31 March 2019         Share Capital £0000         Share Premium £0000         Reserve £0000         Quisition Reserve £0000         Retained \$10000         Lequity \$10000         Total capital £0000         At 31 March 2019         5,714         6,889         30,459         (9,469)         6,809         40,490         125         40,615         5,014         6,889         9,9469         (1,193)         (1,193)         125         40,615         40,615         5,000         40,400         125         40,615         40,625         40,625         40,625         40,625         40,625         40,625         40,625         40,625         40,625		Attributable to owners of the Company								
Total comprehensive   ricome		Capital	Premium	Relief Reserve	Acquisition Reserve	Earnings	Share- holders' Funds	Controlling Interests	Equity	
Transactions with owners   Share based payments   Capable   Capa		5,714 -	6,889	30,459 -	(9,469)	,	,		,	
Share based payments         -         -         -         -         157         157         -         157           Deferred tax on share based payments         -         -         -         -         -         (253)         (253)         -         (253)           Acquisition of non-controlling interests         -         -         -         -         -         (485)         (143)         (628)           Exercise of share options         22         22         -         -         -         44         -         44           Total transactions           with owners         22         22         -         -         (581)         (537)         (143)         (680)           At 29 March 2020         5,736         6,911         30,459         (9,469)         5,123         38,760         -         38,760           Loss for the year         -         -         -         -         (6,306)         (6,306)         -         (6,306)           Total comprehensive income         -         -         -         -         91         91         -         91         91         -         91         91         -         91         91         <	•	_	_	_	_	(1,193)	(1,193)	18	(1,175)	
Dased payments	Share based payments	_	_	_	_	157	157	_	157	
Total transactions with owners   22   22   22   23   24   25   25   25   25   25   25   25	based payments	-	_	-	-	(253)	(253)	-	(253)	
with owners         22         22         -         -         (581)         (537)         (143)         (680)           At 29 March 2020         5,736         6,911         30,459         (9,469)         5,123         38,760         -         38,760           Loss for the year         -         -         -         -         -         (6,306)         (6,306)         -         (6,306)           Total comprehensive income         -         -         -         -         -         -         (6,306)         -         (6,306)           Transactions with owners         Share based payments         -         -         -         -         91         91         -         91           Deferred tax on share based payments         -         -         -         -         -         99         290         -         290           Issue of share capital (net of costs)         360         1,728         -         -         -         2,088         -         2,088           Exercise of share options         95         439         -         -         -         534         -         534           Total transactions with owners         455         2,167 <t< td=""><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>(485) </td><td>` ,</td><td>(143)</td><td></td></t<>						(485) 	` ,	(143)		
Loss for the year         -         -         -         -         (6,306)         (6,306)         -         (6,306)           Total comprehensive income         -         -         -         -         -         (6,306)         -         (6,306)         -         (6,306)           Transactions with owners         Share based payments         -         -         -         -         91         91         -         91           Deferred tax on share based payments         -         -         -         -         -         90         290         -         290           Issue of share capital (net of costs)         360         1,728         -         -         -         2,088         -         2,088           Exercise of share options         95         439         -         -         -         534         -         534           Total transactions with owners         455         2,167         -         -         (5,925)         (3,303)         -         (3,303)		22	22			(581)	(537)	(143)	(680)	
Total comprehensive income         -         -         -         -         (6,306)         -         (6,306)           Transactions with owners         Share based payments         -         -         -         -         91         91         -         91           Deferred tax on share based payments         -         -         -         -         290         290         -         290           Issue of share capital (net of costs)         360         1,728         -         -         -         2,088         -         2,088           Exercise of share options         95         439         -         -         -         534         -         534           Total transactions with owners         455         2,167         -         -         (5,925)         (3,303)         -         (3,303)	At 29 March 2020	5,736	6,911	30,459	(9,469)	5,123	38,760	_	38,760	
Transactions with owners           Share based payments         -         -         -         -         91         91         -         91           Deferred tax on share         -         -         -         -         290         290         -         290           Issue of share capital (net of costs)         360         1,728         -         -         -         2,088         -         2,088           Exercise of share options         95         439         -         -         -         534         -         534           Total transactions with owners         455         2,167         -         -         (5,925)         (3,303)         -         (3,303)	Loss for the year		_	_		(6,306)	(6,306)		(6,306)	
Share based payments         -         -         -         -         91         91         -         91           Deferred tax on share based payments         -         -         -         -         290         290         -         290           Issue of share capital (net of costs)         360         1,728         -         -         -         2,088         -         2,088           Exercise of share options         95         439         -         -         -         534         -         534           Total transactions with owners         455         2,167         -         -         (5,925)         (3,303)         -         (3,303)	Total comprehensive income	_	_	_	_	(6,306)	(6,306)	_	(6,306)	
Issue of share capital (net of costs)   360   1,728   -   -   -   2,088   -   2,088	Share based payments	-	_	_	-	91	91	_	91	
(net of costs)       360       1,728       -       -       -       2,088       -       2,088         Exercise of share options       95       439       -       -       -       -       534       -       534         Total transactions with owners       455       2,167       -       -       (5,925)       (3,303)       -       (3,303)	. ,	_	_	_	-	290	290	_	290	
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At 28 March 2021 6,191 9,078 30,459 (9,469) (802) 35,457 – 35,457		455	2,167			(5,925)	(3,303)		(3,303)	
	At 28 March 2021	6,191	9,078	30,459	(9,469)	(802)	35,457		35,457	

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY for the year ended 28 March 2021

	Share Capital £'000	Share Premium £'000	Merger Relief Reserve £'000	Retained Earnings £'000	Total Equity £'000
At 31 March 2019	5,714	6,889	30,459	(2,069)	40,993
Loss for the year				(739)	(739)
Total comprehensive income for the year	_	_	_	(739)	(739)
Transactions with owners Share based payments Deferred tax on share	_	_	-	157	157
based payments Exercise of share options	22	22		(253)	(253)
Total transactions with owners	22	22		(96)	(52)
At 29 March 2020	5,736	6,911	30,459	(2,904)	40,202
Loss for the year				(948)	(948)
Total comprehensive income for the year	_	_	_	(948)	(948)
Transactions with owners Share based payments Deferred tax on share	_	_	-	91	91
based payments Issue of share capital	_	_	_	290	290
(net of costs) Exercise of share options	360 95	1,728 439			2,088
Total transactions with owners	455	2,167	_	381	3,003
At 28 March 2021	6,191	9,078	30,459	(3,471)	42,257

Votes	Year ended 28 March 2021 £'000	Group Year ended 29 March 2020 £'000	Pa Year ended 28 March 2021 £'000	rent company Year ended 29 March 2020 £'000
19	9,705	14,842	(286)	(724)
	(1,679) (28) - -	(7,214) (145) (47) (641)	- - - - (1,850)	(10) - - (641) 2,012
	(1,707)	(8,047)	(1,850)	1,361
	2,622 11,750 (7,440) (1,972) 10 (2,754)	44 1,000 (700) (4,332) 10 (2,596)	2,622 11,750 (7,440) - 478 (507)	1,000 (700) - 466 (439)
	2,216	(6,574)	6,903	371
	10,214	221	4,767	1,008
12	2,056	1,835	1,030	22
12	12,270	2,056	5,797	1,030
	12	ended 28 March 2021 £'000  19 9,705  (1,679) (28)  (1,707)  2,622 11,750 (7,440) (1,972) 10 (2,754)  2,216  10,214  12 2,056	Year ended 28 March 29 March 2021 £'000  19 9,705 14,842  (1,679) (7,214) (28) (145) (47) (641)  - (47) (641)  - (1,707) (8,047)  2,622 44 (11,750 1,000 (7,440) (700) (1,972) (4,332) 10 (2,754) (2,596)  2,216 (6,574)  10,214 221  12 2,056 1,835	Year ended 28 March 29 March 28 March 29 March 28 March 2021 2020 2021 2000 £'000 £'000

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Fulham Shore PLC is a public company limited by shares incorporated and domiciled in England and Wales with registration number 07973930 and registered office at 1st Floor, 50-51 Berwick Street, London, W1F 8SJ, United Kingdom. The Company's ordinary shares are traded on the AIM Market.

#### **BASIS OF PREPARATION**

The Fulham Shore PLC is presenting audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 28 March 2021. The comparative period presented is audited financial statements for the year ended 29 March 2020.

The accounting year for the Group runs to a Sunday within seven days of 31 March each year which will be a 52 or 53 week period. The year ended 28 March 2021 was a 52 week period, with the comparative year to 29 March 2020 being a 52 week period.

The Company accounts have been prepared for the same periods as the Group.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and, in accordance with international accounting standards in conformity with the requirements of Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements for the year ended 28 March 2021 are presented in Sterling which is also the functional currency of the Group. The functional currency is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Group operates. All values are rounded to the nearest thousand pounds (£'000) except when otherwise indicated.

The parent company has not presented its own income statement, statement of total comprehensive income and related notes as permitted by section 408 of the Companies Act 2006.

#### **NEW STANDARDS**

The following new accounting standards are effective for the year ended 28 March 2021 and have been adopted in these financial statements:

Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39 and IFRS 7 – Interest Rate Benchmark Reform Phase 1 (became effective for accounting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2020)

These amendments provide relief from certain hedge accounting requirements in order to avoid unnecessary discontinuation of existing hedge relationships during the period before replacement of an existing interest rate benchmark with an alternative interest rate. These amendments have had no impact on the financial statements.

Amendments to IFRS 3 – Definition of a business (became effective for accounting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2020)

These amendments clarified the definition of a business to help determine whether a transaction should be accounted for as a business combination or an asset acquisition and permits, in certain circumstances, a simplified assessment that an acquired set of activities and assets is not a business. These amendments have had no impact on the financial statements.

Amendments to IAS 1 and IAS 8 - Definition of material (became effective for accounting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2020)

The changes clarifies the definition of material and aligns the definitions used across IFRSs and other IASB publications. These amendments have had a minimal impact on the financial statements.

Amendments to IFRS 16 – Covid-19-related rent concessions (became effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 June 2020 but has been adopted early in these accounts)

These amendments provides an option to apply a simplified accounting treatment for lessees not to treat eligible rent concessions that are a direct consequence of the COVID-19 as lease modifications. The amendment has had no impact on retained earnings in the financial statement for the year.

#### **NEW STANDARDS THAT ARE NOT YET EFFECTIVE**

At the date of authorisation of these financial statements, the following amendments in Standards relevant to the Group operations that have not been applied in these financial statements were in issue but not yet effective:

IFRS 9 (Amendment)	Interest rate benchmark reform phase 2
IAS 39 (Amendment)	Interest rate benchmark reform phase 2
IFRS 7 (Amendment)	Interest rate benchmark reform phase 2
IFRS 4 (Amendment)	Interest rate benchmark reform phase 2
IFRS 16 (Amendment)	Interest rate benchmark reform phase 2
IFRS 3 (Amendment)	Reference to the conceptual framework
IAS 16 (Amendment)	Proceeds before intended use

IAS 16 (Amendment) Proceeds before intended use IAS 37 (Amendment) Cost of fulfilling a contract

IAS 1 (Amendment) Classification of liabilities as current or non-current

The Directors anticipate that the adoption of these amendments in Standards as appropriate in future years will have no material impact on the financial statements of the Group.

#### **GOING CONCERN**

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The Board has reviewed the risk analysis set out in the Strategic Report on pages 12 to 13, the Group's net current liabilities position as at 28 March 2021, the forecasts for the next financial year, other longer term plans, financial resources including undrawn but available short term and long term facilities described in note 14, the availability of future equity funding if required and operational cash flow where cash from revenues are received within 7 days. Although negotiations on renewal of the Revolving Credit Facility, which expires in March 2022, is ongoing, the forecasts were prepared with the assumption that such facility will not be renewed.

COVID-19 and government action from 20 March 2020 has significant impact on trading and therefore forecasts used for going concern analysis. Since 19 July 2021, trading restrictions previously in place on dine in trade have been lifted. The Directors have reviewed the rapidly evolving situation relating to COVID-19 and have modelled a series of downside case scenarios. These downside cases represent increasingly severe scenarios and include assumptions relating to the estimates of the impact of:

- The closure of all restaurants to dine-in for a period of 13 weeks and then a reopening programme over 2 months;
- The closure of all restaurants to dine-in for a period of 26 weeks and then a reopening programme over 2 months;

These downside cases, whilst considered by the Directors to be extremely prudent, as to date the Government has not fully closed restaurants to takeaway and delivery sales, have a significant adverse impact on sales, margin and cash flow. In response, the Directors have taken immediate and significant actions, all within management's control, to reduce costs and optimise the Group's cash flow and liquidity. Amongst these are the following mitigating actions: reducing capital and investment expenditure through postponing or pausing projects and change activity; deferring or cancelling discretionary spend; freezing non-essential recruitment and reducing marketing spend; and reducing indirect costs and central costs. Even in the most severe scenario where restaurants are closed for 26 weeks, the Group has adequate liquidity to cover the losses and recommence trading as we have done following the initial lockdown. Any other scenario where the Group is only closing restaurants to dine-in and allowed to be open for takeaway and delivery service, the impact on cash flow is significantly lower.

Taking the reviews and analysis, the Board has a reasonable expectation that the Group has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Therefore the Board is satisfied that, at the time of approving the financial statements, it is appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

#### SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

The consolidated financial statements incorporate those of The Fulham Shore PLC and all of its subsidiary undertakings for the period. Subsidiaries acquired are consolidated from the date that the Group has the power to control, exposure or rights to variable returns, and the ability to use its power over the returns and will continue to be consolidated until the date that such control ceases.

Although the legal form of the transaction during the period ended 29 June 2015 was an acquisition of Kefi Limited by The Fulham Shore PLC, the substance was the reverse of this. Accordingly the business combination was accounted for using reverse acquisition accounting.

The acquisition of other subsidiaries is accounted for using the acquisition method. The cost of the acquisition is measured at the aggregate of the fair values, at the date of exchange, of assets given, liabilities incurred or assumed, and equity instruments issued by the Group in exchange for control of the acquiree. Any costs directly attributable to the business combination are expensed to the Statement of Comprehensive Income. The acquiree's identifiable assets and liabilities are recognised at their fair values at the acquisition date.

All intra-group transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between group companies are eliminated on consolidation.

#### **INTANGIBLE ASSETS**

#### Goodwill

Goodwill arising on the acquisition of an entity represents the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the Group's interest in the fair value attributed to the identifiable net assets at acquisition. Goodwill is not subject to amortisation but is tested for impairment at least annually. After initial recognition, goodwill is stated at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. Any impairment is recognised immediately in profit or loss and is not subsequently reversed. Goodwill is allocated to an associated operating segment made up of a group of cash generating units for the purpose of impairment testing. Each of these groups of cash generating units represents the Group's investment in a subsidiary which is equivalent to an operating segment of the Group. On disposal of a subsidiary the attributable amount of goodwill is included in the determination of the profit or loss on disposal.

#### Trademarks and licences

The fair value of the intangible assets acquired through the reverse acquisition was determined using discounted cash flow models. The key assumptions for the valuation method are those regarding future cash flows, tax rates and discount rates. The cash flow projections were based on management forecasts for the subsequent four years period. The estimated useful lives range from 4 to 20 years, amortised on a straight-line basis.

#### Brand

The fair value of the brand intangible assets acquired through an acquisition of a subsidiary was determined using discounted royalty relief models. The key assumptions for the valuation method are those regarding future cash flows, tax rates and discount rates. The cash flow projections were based on management forecasts for the subsequent ten year period.

Amortisation is charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of brand from the beginning of the financial year that they are available for use. The estimated useful lives are 10 years on a straight-line basis.

#### Computer software

Computer software licences are capitalised on the basis of the costs incurred to acquire and bring into use the specific software. These costs are amortised on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives, being between 3 and 5 years. Costs that are directly associated with the production of identifiable and unique software products controlled by the Group, and that are expected to generate economic benefits exceeding costs beyond one year, are recognised as intangible assets. Direct costs include software development, employee costs and directly attributable overheads. Software integral to a related item of hardware equipment is accounted for as property, plant and equipment. Costs associated with maintaining computer software programmes are recognised as an expense when they are incurred.

#### PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Property, plant and equipment are stated at historical cost less depreciation and any recognised impairment loss. The cost of property, plant and equipment includes directly attributable incremental costs incurred in their acquisition and installation.

Depreciation is provided on property, plant and equipment at rates calculated to write each asset down to its estimated residual value evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:-

Leasehold properties and improvements over lease term or renewal term

Plant and equipment 20% to 33% straight line Furniture, fixtures and fittings 10% to 20% straight line

Assets in the course of construction are carried at cost, less any recognised impairment loss. Depreciation of these assets commences when the assets are ready for their intended use.

Residual values, useful lives and methods of depreciation are reviewed and adjusted if appropriate on an annual basis. An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. The gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an asset is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognised in the income statement.

Right-of-use assets arising from the Group's lease arrangements are depreciated over the earlier of the useful life or their reasonably certain lease term, as determined under the Group's leases policy.

#### IMPAIRMENT OF ASSETS

Goodwill is not subject to amortisation but is tested for impairment annually or whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired. For the purpose of impairment testing, assets which have separately identifiable cash flows, known as cash generating units, are grouped into their operating segment. If the recoverable amount of a group of cash generating units is less than the carrying amount of that group's assets, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the group of cash generating units and then to the other assets of the group pro-rata on the basis of the carrying amount of each asset in the group. Impairment losses recognised for goodwill are not reversed in a subsequent period. 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.

At each balance sheet date, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its property, plant and equipment and intangible assets with finite useful lives 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, if any, of the impairment loss. Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit, predominantly an individual restaurant for the purposes of property, plant and equipment, to which the asset belongs. 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 the income statement. 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, not to 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 the income statement.

#### OTHER INVESTMENTS

Other investments comprising debt and equity instruments are recognised and derecognised on a trade date where a purchase or sale of an investment is under a contract whose terms require delivery of the investment within the timeframe. Other investments are initially measured at fair value, including transaction costs and subsequently remeasured less any impairment.

Debt securities that are held for collection of contractual cash flows where those cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment. Debt securities that do not meet the criteria for amortised cost are measured at fair value through profit and loss.

Equity securities are classified and measured at fair value through other comprehensive income, there is no subsequent reclassification of fair value gains and losses to profit or loss following derecognition of the investment.

### FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Financial assets and financial liabilities, in respect of financial instruments, are recognised on the balance sheet when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

### **INVENTORIES**

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on a first in, first out basis. Net realisable value is based upon estimated selling price less further costs expected to be incurred to completion and disposal. Provision is made for obsolete and slow-moving items.

#### TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

Trade receivables represent amounts owed by customers where the right to payment is conditional only on the passage of time and are recorded at amortised cost. Other receivables represent amounts owed by third parties and intra group balances in the parent company where the right to payment is conditional on the passage of time and the occurrence of certain event. The carrying value of all trade and other receivables recorded at amortised cost is reduced by allowances for lifetime estimated credit losses other than expected credit losses on group balances which are based on expected 12 month credit losses. Estimated future credit losses are first recorded on the initial recognition of a receivable and are based on the ageing of the receivable balances, historical experience and forward looking considerations. Individual balances are written off when management deems them not to be collectible.

#### CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash in hand and call deposits and other short term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

#### TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

Payables are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### SHARE CAPITAL

Share capital represents the nominal value of ordinary shares issued.

#### SHARE PREMIUM

Share premium represents the amounts subscribed for share capital in excess of nominal value less the related costs of share issue.

#### MERGER RELIEF RESERVE

In accordance with Companies Act 2006 S.612 'Merger Relief', the company issuing shares as consideration for a business combination, accounted at fair value, is obliged, once the necessary conditions are satisfied, to record the excess of the consideration received over the nominal value of the shares issued to the merger relief reserve.

#### REVERSE ACQUISITION RESERVE

Reverse accounting under IFRS 3 'Business Combinations' requires the difference between the equity of the legal parent and the issued equity instruments of the legal subsidiary pre-combination to be recognised as a separate component of equity.

#### RETAINED EARNINGS

Retained earnings represents the cumulative profit and loss net of distributions.

#### **NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS**

Non-controlling interests in the net assets of consolidated subsidiaries are identified separately from the Group's equity therein. Non-controlling interests consist of the amount of those interests at the date of the original business combination and the non-controlling shareholder's share of changes in equity since the date of the combination. Total comprehensive income is attributed to non-controlling interests even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

#### FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling, the presentational and functional currency of the Group, at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. All differences are taken to profit or loss.

#### FINANCIAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY INSTRUMENTS

Financial liabilities and equity instruments issued by the Group are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Group after deducting all of its liabilities and includes no obligation to deliver cash or other financial assets. Interest bearing loans and overdrafts are initially measured at fair value (which is equal to cost at inception), and are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the settlement or redemption of borrowings is recognised over the term of the borrowing. Equity instruments issued by the Group are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

#### **TAXATION**

Income tax expense represents the sum of the current tax payable and deferred tax.

Current tax payable or recoverable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from profit as reported in the income statement because some items of income or expense are taxable or deductible in different years or may not be taxable or deductible. The Group's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is the tax expected to be payable or recoverable in the future arising from temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit. It is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Such assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of other assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the tax profit or the accounting profit.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the year when the liability is settled or the asset realised, based on tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date. 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 either relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the same taxable entity or on different taxable entities which intend to settle the current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

Tax is charged or credited to the income statement, except when it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case the tax is also recognised directly in equity.

#### **LEASES**

When the Group leases an asset, a right of use asset is recognised for the leased item and a lease liability is recognised for any lease payments to be paid over the lease term at the lease commencement date. The right of use asset is initially measured at cost, being the present value of the lease payments paid or payable, plus any initial direct costs incurred in entering the lease and less any lease incentives received. Right of use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis from the commencement date to the earlier of the end of the asset's useful life or the end of the lease term. The lease term is the non-cancellable period of the lease plus any periods for which the Group is reasonably certain to exercise any extension options. The useful life of the asset is determined in a manner consistent to that for owned property, plant and equipment. If right of use assets are considered to be impaired, the carrying value is reduced accordingly. Lease liabilities are initially measured at the value of the lease payments over the lease term that are not paid at the commencement date and are discounted for the portfolio of leases using the incremental borrowing rate of the Group as the rate implicit in individual leases is not readily ascertainable. After initial recognition, the lease liability is recorded at amortised cost using the effective interest method. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate or if the Group's assessment of the lease term changes; any changes in the lease liability as a result of these changes also results in a corresponding change in the recorded right-of-use asset.

The Group has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for short-term leases of machinery that have a lease term of 12 months or less and leases of low-value assets, including IT equipment. The Group recognises the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

#### Covid-19 related rent concessions

The Group has applied COVID-19 related rent concessions – amendment to IFRS16. The Group applies the simplified accounting treatment not to assess whether eligible rent concessions that are a direct consequence of the COVID-19 pandemic are lease modifications. The Group applies the practical expedient consistently to contracts with similar characteristics and in similar circumstances. For rent concession in leases to which the Group chooses not to apply the practical expedient, or that do not qualify for the practical expedient, the Group assesses whether there is a lease modification.

#### **PROVISIONS**

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present obligation as a result of a past event and it is probable that the Group will be required to settle that obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. Provisions are measured at the Directors' best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligation at the balance sheet date and are discounted to present value where the effect is material.

#### RETIREMENT BENEFITS

The amount charged to the income statement in respect of pension costs is the contributions payable to money purchase schemes in the year. Differences between contributions payable in the year and contributions actually paid are shown as either accruals or prepayments in the balance sheet.

#### REVENUE RECOGNITION

The Group's revenue is derived from the sale of food and drink in its restaurants, or as deliveries or takeaways. The performance obligation is fulfilled when control is transferred to the customer at the point of sale. All sales are settled at the point of sale and the group does not, therefore, have any contract assets or liabilities. Revenue is recognised net of VAT, discounts, returns and deferred revenue for the Group's loyalty scheme's unsatisfied performance obligations.

#### INTEREST INCOME

Interest income is accrued on a time basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the effective interest rate applicable, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to that asset's net carrying amount.

#### **EXCEPTIONAL COSTS**

The Group discloses certain financial information excluding exceptional costs. This presentation allows a better understanding of the underlying trading performance of the Group as these exceptional costs are one off non recuring costs. Exceptional costs are identified by virtue of the nature and magnitude of the event giving rise to them through consideration of quantitative and qualitative factors including where related costs or income are current disclosed. Examples of exceptional costs that meet the above definition and which have been presented as exceptional costs include, but are not restricted to: impairment of property, plant and equipment, Changes in fair value of investment, costs of acquisition, one off COVID-19 related costs.

### **GOVERNMENT GRANTS**

Grants from the government are recognised at their fair value where there is a reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and the group will comply with all attached conditions. Government grants relating to costs are deferred and recognised in the statement of comprehensive income over the period necessary to match them with the costs that they are intended to compensate.

#### SHARE BASED PAYMENTS

The Group issues equity-settled share-based payments to certain employees. Equity-settled share-based payments are measured at fair value (excluding the effect of non market-based vesting conditions) at the date of grant. The fair value determined at the grant date of the equity-settled share-based payments is expensed on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, based on the Company's estimate of the shares that will eventually vest and adjusted for the effect of non market-based vesting conditions.

Fair value is measured using a Black-Scholes valuation model. The expected life used in the model has been adjusted, based on management's best estimate, for the effects of non-transferability, exercise restrictions and behavioural considerations.

#### **ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of the Group's accounting policies, described above, with respect to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting year. These judgements, estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, including current and expected economic conditions. Although these judgements, estimates and associated assumptions are based on management's best knowledge of current events and circumstances, the actual results may differ. Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the year in which the estimate is revised and in any future years affected.

The judgements, estimates and assumptions which are of most significance to the Group are detailed below:

Assessment of the recoverable amounts in respect of assets tested for impairment

The Group tests goodwill for impairment on an annual basis or more frequently if there are indications that amounts may be impaired. For property, plant and equipment, including right of use assets and intangible assets, other than goodwill, the Group tests for impairment when there is an indication of impairment and for assets previously impaired.

The impairment analysis for such assets is principally based upon discounted estimated future cash flows from the use and eventual disposal of the assets (see notes 7 and 8). Such an analysis includes an estimation of the future anticipated results and cash flows, annual growth rates, whether short term or long term, future capital expenditures and the appropriate discount rates (see notes 7 and 8 for key assumptions). Changes in the estimates which underpin the Group's forecasts and selection of appropriate discount rate could have an impact on the value in use of the cash generating units and group of cash generating units being tested.

Previously impaired assets will be reversed should the original conditions for impairment change and there are strong indicators supporting the estimated future cash flows from its use and eventual disposal of the assets.

#### Finite lived intangible assets

Intangible assets include amounts spent by the Group acquiring brands and the costs of purchasing and/or developing computer software.

Where intangible assets are acquired through business combinations and no active market for the assets exists, the fair value of these assets is determined by discounting estimated future net cash flows generated by the asset. Estimates relating to the future cash flows and discount rates used may have a material effect on the reported amounts of finite lived intangible assets.

The useful life over which intangible assets are amortised depends on management's estimate of the period over which economic benefit will be derived from the asset. Reducing the useful life will increase the amortisation charge in the consolidated income statement. Useful lives are periodically reviewed to ensure that they remain appropriate. For a one year reduction in useful life of the brand, an additional £91,000 of amortisation would be charged to the income statement.

#### Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment represents 68.8% (2020: 75.6%) of the Group's total assets; estimates and assumptions made may have a material impact on their carrying value and related depreciation charge. The depreciation charge for an asset is derived using estimates of its expected useful life and expected residual value, which are reviewed periodically. Increasing an asset's expected life or residual value would result in a reduced depreciation charge in the consolidated income statement. Management determines the useful lives and residual values for assets, other than right of use assets, when they are acquired, based on experience with similar assets and taking into account other relevant factors such as any expected changes in technology. The useful life of equipment is assumed not to exceed the duration of restaurant property lease unless there is a reasonable expectation of renewal or ability for the equipment to be transferred for use in another restaurant.

#### Lease accounting

Lease accounting under IFRS 16 is significantly more complex than under previous reporting requirements under IAS 17 and necessitates the collation and processing of very large amounts of data and the increased use of management judgements and estimates to produce financial information. The most significant accounting judgements are disclosed below:

- The Group determines the lease term as the non-cancellable term of the lease, together with any periods
  covered by an option to extend the lease if it is reasonably certain to be exercised, or any periods covered
  by a break clause to terminate the lease, if it is reasonably certain not to be exercised.
- When the interest rate implicit in the lease is not readily determinable, the Group estimates the incremental borrowing rate ("IBR") based on a risk-free rate adjusted for the effect of the Group's theoretical credit risk. As the Group has external borrowings, judgement is required to compute an appropriate discount rate which was calculated based on UK bank borrowings and adjusted by an indicative credit premium that reflects the credit risk of the Group. This has resulted in a weighted average IBR of 3.3% applied to the leases.

#### Loyalty programme

The Group operates a loyalty programme in its Franco Manca business. The scheme enables members to earn stamps from each qualifying purchase from a Franco Manca restaurant. Rewards that can be used against future purchases are earnt on collection of a number of stamps. The Group recognises deferred revenue in an amount that reflects the scheme's unsatisfied performance obligations, valued at the stand-alone selling price of the future benefit to the member. The amount of revenue recognised and deferred is impacted by 'breakage'. On an annual basis the Group estimate the number of rewards that will never be consumed ('breakage'). Significant estimation uncertainty exists in projecting members' future consumption activity.

### **OPERATING SEGMENTS**

The Group considers itself to have two key operating segments, being the management and operation of The Real Greek restaurants and the management and operation of Franco Manca restaurants. The Group operates in only one geographical segment, being the United Kingdom.

#### **DEFINITIONS OF ALTERNATIVE PERFORMANCE MEASURES**

The Group uses alternative performance measures which are designed to show the normalised underlying trading performance for the period, including an adjustment to take account of property costs on an accruals basis, as below:

#### OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT

Operating (loss)/profit is defined as (loss)/profit before taxation, finance income and finance costs.

### HEADLINE OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT

Headline operating (loss)/profit is defined as operating profit before amortisation of brand, impairment of property, plant and equipment, impairment of goodwill and intangible assets, impairment and changes in fair value of investments, COVID-19 related costs, restructuring costs, costs of reverse acquisition, cost of acquisition, share based payments, loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment and pre-opening costs.

#### HEADLINE (LOSS)/PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

Headline (loss)/profit before taxation is defined as (loss)/profit before taxation before amortisation of brand, impairment of property, plant and equipment, impairment of goodwill and intangible assets, impairment and changes in fair value of investments, COVID-19 related costs, restructuring costs, costs of reverse acquisition, costs of acquisition, share based payments, loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment and pre-opening costs.

#### PRE-OPENING COSTS

The restaurant pre-opening costs represent costs incurred up to the date of opening a new restaurant that are recognised in the profit and loss account in the period in which they are incurred.

#### HEADLINE EBITDA

Headline EBITDA is defined as EBITDA before COVID-19 related costs and grants received against COVID-19 related costs, restructuring costs, costs of reverse acquisition, cost of acquisition, share based payments, loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment, impairment of property, plant and equipment and pre-opening costs.

### ADJUSTED HEADLINE EBITDA

Adjusted Headline EBITDA is defined as Headline EBITDA less rent expense calculated on an accrual basis, which excludes the effect of IFRS 16.

#### **EBITDA**

EBITDA is defined as Headline EBITDA less share based payments and pre-opening costs.

#### ADJUSTED EBITDA

Adjusted EBITDA is defined as EBITDA less rent expense calculated on an accrual basis, which excludes the effect of IFRS 16.

#### **HEADLINE EPS**

Headline basic EPS and Headline diluted EPS are defined in note 6.

#### 1 SEGMENT INFORMATION

For management purposes, the Group was organised into two operating divisions during the year ended 28 March 2021. These divisions, The Real Greek and Franco Manca, are the basis on which the Group reports its primary segment information as identified by the chief operating decision maker which is the Group's board of directors.

For the year ended 28 March 2021:

	The Real Greek segment £'000	Franco Manca segment £'000	Other unallocated £'000	Total £'000
Revenue from:				
External customers	9,007	30,779	499	40,285
Headline EBITDA Depreciation and amortisation	1,578 (3,190)	8,091 (7,932)	(670) (28)	8,999 (11,150)
Headline operating (loss)/profit Share based payments Pre-opening costs Amortisation of brand Impairment of property plant and	(1,612) (19) (31) –	159 (64) (181) (821)	(698) (8) – –	(2,151) (91) (212) (821)
equipment COVID-19 related costs	(321) (57)	(692) (27)	(399)	(1,013) (483)
Operating loss Finance income Finance costs	(2,040) 6 (694)	(1,626) 4 (1,607)	(1,105) - (453)	(4,771) 10 (2,754)
Segment loss before taxation Income tax credit	(2,728)	(3,229)	(1,558)	(7,515) 1,209
Loss for the year from continuing operations				(6,306)
Assets Liabilities	33,574 (25,172)	97,905 (59,306)	6,450 (17,994)	137,929 (102,472)
Net assets	8,402	38,599	(11,544)	35,457
Capital additions to PPE	1,382	6,464		7,846
Capital additions to PPE excluding right of use assets	456	1,223		1,679

In addition to the revenues generated from external customers, The Real Greek segment also generated internal revenues from another segment to the value of £542,000 (2020: £643,000).

Within revenue from external customers, there was Eat Out To Help Out income of £1,195,000 (2020: £Nil)

# 1 SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

For the year ended 29 March 2020:

	The Real Greek segment £'000	Franco Manca segment £'000	Other unallocated £'000	Total £'000
Revenue from:				
External customers	20,004	48,525	36	68,565
Headline EBITDA Depreciation and amortisation	3,655 (2,898)	12,229 (7,828)	(690) (31)	15,194 (10,757)
Headline operating profit/(loss)	757	4,401	(721)	4,437
Share based payments Pre-opening costs Amortisation of brand Impairment of property plant and equipme Change in fair value of investments Cost of acquisition COVID-19 related costs	(66) (120) - ent (189) - (1) (106)	(87) (563) (821) (71) (248) (2) (317)	(4) - - - - (10)	(157) (683) (821) (260) (248) (3) (433)
Operating profit/(loss) Finance income Finance costs	275 4 (724)	2,292 6 (1,564)	(735) - (308)	1,832 10 (2,596)
Segment profit/(loss) before taxation Income tax expense	(445)	734	(1,043)	(754) (421)
Loss for the year from continuing operations				(1,175)
Assets Liabilities	32,712 (25,254)	98,972 (55,982)	1,333 (13,021)	133,017 (94,257)
Net assets	7,458	42,990	(11,688)	38,760
Capital additions to PPE	5,678	10,698	9	16,385
Capital additions to PPE excluding right of use assets	1,650	5,555	9	7,214

Head office and PLC costs are not related to the Group's two business segments and are therefore included in other unallocated and are not part of a business segment. The Group's two business segments primarily operate in one geographical area which is the United Kingdom.

# 2 OPERATING (LOSS)/ PROFIT

	Year ended 28 March 2021 £'000	Year ended 29 March 2020 £'000
Operating (loss)/profit is stated after charging:		
Staff costs (note 3)	12,767	25,524
COVID-19 related costs (note 3)	9,521	285
Other income:		
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme grants (note 3)	(8,479)	(285)
Other COVID-19 grants	(1,791)	
Share based payments	91	157
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment		
Owned assets	4,883	4,657
Leased assets	6,171	6,025
Amortisation of intangible assets:		
Trademarks, licenses and franchises	97	74
Brand	821	821
Operating lease rentals:		
Short leases	188	_
Inventories – amounts charged as an expense	6,509	12,710
Auditor's remuneration:		
for statutory audit services	149	169
for other assurance services	8	_
for tax compliance services	_	42
for transactional services	9	_
Pre-opening costs	212	683
Exceptional costs:		
change in fair value of investments	_	248
impairment of property, plant and equipment	1,013	260
COVID-19 related costs	483	433

COVID-19 related costs of £483,000 (2020: £433,000) include the one off cost of temporarily closing of all restaurants following UK government instructions (such as stock wastage and other costs), one off property related costs and certain provisions made against expected credit losses arising from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

### 3 EMPLOYEES

	Year ended 28 March 2021 No.	Year ended 29 March 2020 No.
The average monthly number of persons (including Directors) employed by the Group during the year was: Administration and management Restaurants	29 1,069 1,098	32 1,243 1,275
The average monthly number of persons (including Directors) employed by the Company during the year was:		
Administration and management	7	7
	Year ended 28 March 2021 £'000	Year ended 29 March 2020 £'000
Staff costs for above persons Salaries and fees Defined contribution pension costs Social security costs	11,619 218 930	23,379 407 1,738
Share based payments	12,767 91	25,524 157
	12,858	25,681
Furlough related costs and grants Furlough salaries and fees Furlough defined contribution pension costs Furlough social security costs Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme grants	8,783 591 147 (8,479)	267 4 14 (285)
	1,042	

During the year ended 28 March 2021, the majority of staff were on furlough or flexi-furlough. The Group received grants from the UK Government under the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme to enable such staff to be placed on furlough rather than made redundant as a result of the UK Government putting the UK under lockdown in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic. Costs of employees on furlough have been recognised in Administrative Expenses while Coronavirus Job Retentions Scheme grants have been recognised within Other Income.

### 3 EMPLOYEES (continued)

#### **DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION**

The remuneration of Directors, who are the key management personnel of the company, is set out in aggregate and on a paid basis below. Further details of directors' emoluments can be found in the tables of directors' remuneration on pages 22 to 25.

	Year ended 28 March 2021 £'000	Year ended 29 March 2020 £'000
Salaries, fees and other short term employee benefits Defined contribution pension costs Social security costs	608 22 105	942 22 115
	735	1,079

In light of the impact of COVID-19 and the majority of staff on furlough or flexi-furlough during the year ended 28 March 2021, the Directors each waived 20% of their salaries throughout the whole of the financial year.

Included above are fees paid to related parties for the provision of directors' services which are further described in note 22.

Four Directors received pension contributions during the year (2020: Four).

During the year four directors (2020: two) exercised share options for a total of 9,440,470 (2020: 2,231,944) ordinary shares of the Company.

4	FINANCE COSTS		
		Year ended 28 March 2021 £'000	Year ended 29 March 2020 £'000
	Interest expenses on bank loans and overdrafts Interest on lease liabilities recognised under IFRS 16	457 2,297	309 2,287
		2,754	2,596
5	INCOME TAX EXPENSE		
		Year ended 28 March 2021 £'000	Year ended 29 March 2020 £'000
	Income tax expense on continuing operations Based on the result for the year: UK corporation tax at 19% (2020: 19%) Adjustment in respect of prior periods	_ (127)	446 (28)
	Total current taxation	(127)	418
	Deferred taxation: Origination and reversal of temporary timing differences Current year	(1,082)	3
	Total deferred tax	(1,082)	3
	Total tax (credit)/expense on (loss)/profit on continuing operations	(1,209)	421

Further information on the movement on deferred taxation is given in note 16.

## 5 INCOME TAX EXPENSE (continued)

Factors affecting tax charge for year:

	Year ended 28 March 2021 £'000	Year ended 29 March 2020 £'000
Loss before taxation from continuing operations	(7,515)	(754)
Taxation at UK corporation tax rate of 19% (2020: 19%)	(1,428)	(143)
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Depreciation/impairment on non-qualifying fixed assets Tax effect from right of use asset accounting Share based payments Rate change on deferred tax liability Adjustment to tax charge in respect of previous periods	89 225 228 (197) - (126)	56 231 205 70 30 (28)
Total income tax (credit)/expense in the income statement	(1,209)	421

Factors that may affect deferred tax charges are disclosed in note 16 including a breakdown of the adjustment to previously recognised deferred tax.

The UK corporation tax rate is expected to increase to 25% from 1 April 2023 but this has not yet been substantively enacted therefore deferred taxation does not take this rate into account. If enacted, it will increase the deferred tax recognised in the income statement.

# **6 EARNINGS PER SHARE**

	Year ended 28 March 2021 £'000	Year ended 29 March 2020 £'000
Loss for the purposes of basic and diluted earnings per share: Share based payments Deferred tax on share based payments Pre-opening costs Amortisation of brand Deferred tax on amortisation of brand Loss on disposal Exceptional costs	(6,306) 91 (214) 212 821 (137) 3	(1,193) 157 39 683 821 (137)
<ul><li>change of fair value of investment</li><li>impairment of property, plant and equipment</li></ul>	_ 1,013	248 260
<ul><li>cost of acquisition</li><li>COVID-19 related costs (net)</li></ul>	- 483	3 433
Headline (loss)/profit for the year for the purposes of headline basic and diluted earnings per share:	(4,034)	1,314
	Year ended 28 March 2021 No. '000	Year ended 29 March 2020 No. '000
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue for the purposes of basic earnings per share Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares from share options	596,214 23,225	572,885 1,030
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue for the purposes of diluted earnings per share	619,439	573,915

## 6 EARNINGS PER SHARE (continued)

Further details of the share options that could potentially dilute basic earnings per share in the future are provided in note 18.

	Year ended 28 March 2021	Year ended 29 March 2020
Earnings per share:		
Basic and diluted	(1.1p)	(0.2p)
Headline Basic and diluted	(0.7p)	0.2p

During a period where the Group or Company makes a loss, accounting standards require that 'dilutive' shares for the Group be excluded in the earnings per share calculation, because they will reduce the reported loss per share; consequently, all per-share measures in the current period are based on the weighted number of ordinary shares in issue.

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7	INITA	NOID		ASSETS
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Group	Trademarks, License and franchises £'000	Software £'000	Brand £'000	Goodwill £'000	Total £'000
Cost	00	407	0.044	00 707	00.470
31 March 2019	63	197	8,211	20,705	29,176
Additions	<del>_</del>	145			145
29 March 2020	63	342	8,211	20,705	29,321
Additions	5	23			28
28 March 2021	68	365	8,211	20,705	29,349
Accumulated amortisation 31 March 2019	37	88	3,284	_	3,409
Charge in the year	5	69	821		895
29 March 2020	42	157	4,105	_	4,304
Charge in the year	8	89	821		918
28 March 2021	50	246	4,926		5,222
Net book value					
28 March 2021	18	119	3,285	20,705	24,127
29 March 2020	21	185	4,106	20,705	25,017

The amortisation charges for trademarks, license and franchises and software for the year are recognised within administrative expenses. The amortisation charges for brand for the year are presented after Headline Operating (Loss)/Profit.

As at 28 March 2021 brand intangible assets which relates to Franco Manca has a remaining amortisation period of 4 years (2020: 5 years).

Goodwill of £1,774,000 relates to The Real Greek and is attributable to its group of cash generating units.

Goodwill of £18,931,000 relates to the acquisition of Franco Manca Holdings Limited ("Franco Manca Holdings"). The goodwill is attributable to the cash generating units held within Franco Manca 2 UK Limited.

### 7 INTANGIBLE ASSETS (continued)

For the purposes of impairment testing, the Directors consider each of Franco Manca and The Real Greek, operating segments of the Group, as the lowest level within the Group at which the goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes. Each of these segments is made up of a group of separate restaurants which are cash generating units (CGUs) in their own right.

The recoverable amount for each segment and group of CGUs was determined using a value in use calculation based upon management forecasts for the trading results for that segment. Value in use calculations are based on:

- cash flow forecasts derived from the most recent financial forecasts for the 2022 and 2023 financial years for the sites open at the end of March 2021;
- extrapolated cash flow forecasts over the following twenty three years, an appropriate timeframe
  for branded restaurant businesses, using forecast growth rates based on the long term industry
  growth rate of 2%;
- less estimated annual capital expenditure required to maintain the existing restaurants' look and feel in each segment based on historic refurbishment programmes and investments in IT systems;
- a pre-tax discount rate of 10.25% (2020: 6.9%) which is the rate believed by the Directors to reflect
  the risks associated with the group of CGUs using a WACC model, and comparison to other
  available restaurant businesses.

Other than as disclosed below and any further impact on trade from COVID-19, management believes that no reasonably possible change in any of the above key assumptions would cause the carrying value of any segment to materially exceed its recoverable amount. The estimated recoverable amount of The Real Greek and Franco Manca segments exceed their carrying values by £31,601,000 and £64,482,000 respectively. There are no reasonably plausible scenarios in which a change in the assumptions would lead to an impairment loss being recognised for the year ended 28 March 2021.

Similarly, following the impact of COVID-19 on trading during the year, it would be unlikely for all restaurants in each CGU to close temporarily to trading for the significant amount of time that would lead to an impairment loss being recognised.

# 8 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Group				Furniture, fixtures	Assets	
	Leasehold	Right of	Plant and	and	under	
	improvements £'000	use assets £'000	equipment £'000	fittings c £'000	onstruction £'000	Total £'000
Cost 31 March 2019	34,291	2000	6,361	2,614	784	44,050
Recognition on adoption of IFRS 16		64,388				64,388
					704	
1 April 2019	34,291	64,388	6,361	2,614	784	108,438
Additions Reclassification	4,879 551	9,171	1,366 36	656 97	313 (684)	16,385
Disposals	-	_	(8)	_	(26)	(34)
29 March 2020	39,721	73,559	7,755	3,367	387	124,789
Additions	1,043	5,329	355	162	119	7,008
Remeasurements	_	838	_	_	(70)	838
Reclassification Disposals	46 (3)	(2,111)	(3)	26 —	(72) —	_ (2,117)
28 March 2021	40,807	77,615	8,107	3,555	434	130,518
Accumulated						
depreciation and impairment						
31 March 2019	8,728	_	3,364	1,152	_	13,244
Charge in the year	2,892	6,025	1,300	465	_	10,682
Impairment	260	_	_	_	_	260
Disposals			(3)			(3)
29 March 2020	11,880	6,025	4,661	1,617	_	24,183
Charge in the year	3,145	6,171	1,242	496	_	11,054
Impairment	1,013	(607)	_ (0)	_	_	1,013
Disposals	(1)	(687)	(2)			(690)
28 March 2021	16,037	11,509	5,901	2,113		35,560
Net book value	0.4 ====	00.400	0.000		40.4	04.050
28 March 2021	<u>24,770</u>	66,106	2,206	1,442	434	94,958
29 March 2020	27,841	67,534	3,094	1,750	387	100,606

Right of use assets comprises assets relating to property leases.

### 8 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

An impairment review of property, plant and equipment is carried out when there is indication of impairment. For the purposes of impairment testing of property, plant and equipment, the Directors consider each restaurant unit as a separate cash generating units (CGUs). The recoverable amount for each CGU was determined using a value in use calculation based upon management forecasts for the trading results for those restaurants. Value in use calculations are based on:

- cash flow forecasts derived from the most recent financial forecasts for the 2022 financial year for the site being tested at the end of March 2021;
- extrapolated cash flow forecasts over the remaining unexpired length of the lease years using forecast growth rates based on run rate expectations for the initial five years that then reduce to the long term industry growth rate of 2%;
- incorporate any expected trading or cash flow impact from COVID-19;
- less estimated annual capital expenditure required to maintain the existing restaurants' look and feel in each segment based on historic refurbishment programmes;
- a pre-tax discount rate to cash flow projections of 10.25% (2020: 6.9%) which is the rate believed by the Directors to reflect the risks associated with the CGU using a WACC model with comparison to other available restaurant businesses.

The Group has also conducted a sensitivity analysis on the impairment test of the CGU carrying value including reducing sales level by reducing long term growth rate by 1 % and there is no reasonably expected change that would give rise to an impairment charge other than the CGUs listed below, where the overall impairment charge would increase by £191,000.

The following impairment charges have been recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income as exceptional costs – impairment of property, plant and equipment.

	28 March 2021 £'000	28 March 2021 £'000	29 March 2020 £'000	29 March 2020 £'000
	Impairment charge	Recoverable amount	Impairment charge	Recoverable amount
For continuing operations				
Franco Manca restaurant 1	_	_	71	1,869
Franco Manca restaurant 2	240	_	_	_
Franco Manca restaurant 3	252	_	_	_
Franco Manca restaurant 4	56	130	_	_
Franco Manca restaurant 5	144	83		<del>-</del>
Total for Franco Manca operating				
segment	692	213	71	1,869
The Real Greek restaurant 1	_	_	20	1,278
The Real Greek restaurant 2	_	_	10	110
The Real Greek restaurant 3	_	_	159	1,383
The Real Greek restaurant 4	321			
Total for The Real Greek operating				
segment	321		189	2,771
Total for the Group	1,013	213	260	4,640

### 8 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

The recoverable amounts shown above include the right of use assets recognised under IFRS 16 relating to the relevant CGU.

During the year ended 28 March 2021, the Group impaired the short term leasehold improvements in relation to one (2020: 2) property trading as Franco Manca, which is trading financially below management expectations. The remaining 3 (2020: Nil) restaurants trading as Franco Manca and one as The Real Greek (2020: Nil) were impaired following the closure of Debenhams where these sites were located as a concession. These sites continue to trade under short term leases or tenancies at will.

Parent Company			Furniture, fixtures	
	Leasehold improvements £'000	Plant and equipment £'000	and fittings £'000	Total £'000
Cost 31 March 2019	205	59	25	289
Additions Disposals	1 	8 (1)	1	10 (1)
29 March 2020	206	66	26	298
Additions				
28 March 2021	206	66	26	298
Accumulated depreciation 31 March 2019	59	47	10	116
Charge in the year	21	7	3	31
28 March 2020	80	54	13	147
Charge in the year	21	5	3	29
28 March 2021	101	59	16	176
Net book value 28 March 2021	105	7	10	122
29 March 2020	126	12	13	151

All depreciation charges have been recognised in administrative expenses in the income statement.

All non-current assets are located in the United Kingdom.

# 9 INVESTMENTS

Group	28 March 2021 £'000	29 March 2020 £'000
Unlisted shares	_	245
Change in fair value	_	(245)
Loans at cost	_	83
Impairment of investments and loans	_	(83)
Carrying amount	_	_

Investments are recognised and derecognised on a trade date where a purchase or sale of an investment is under a contract whose terms require delivery of the investment within the timeframe established by the market concerned, and are initially measured at fair value, including transaction costs and subsequently measured.

Following a further funding round during the year ended 29 March 2020, the Group holds 24% of the equity of Made of Dough Limited. Although the investment is for more than 20% of the investee and includes one board representation, the structure of the investee board, the shareholder agreement and the start up nature of the business operations has led the Group to conclude that the Group does not have significant influence over its operations and therefore it is not an associate.

Other investments classified as financial assets are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment. During the year ended 29 March 2020, the Group recognised a movement in fair value of the unlisted shares in Made of Dough Limited given the uncertainty in valuation due to the ongoing impact of COVID-19 on the sector. Also during the year ended 29 March 2020, the Group recognised an impairment of the loan investment based on estimated future credit loss.

	28 March 2021 £'000	29 March 2020 £'000
Parent Company		
Cost and net book value Opening position	44,347	43,563
Investment in subsidiaries	83	784
Closing position	44,430	44,347

# 9 INVESTMENTS (continued)

As at 28 March 2021, the Company had the following subsidiary undertakings which are all registered at 1st Floor, 50-51 Berwick Street, London W1F 8SJ:

Name of subsidiary	Class of Holding	Proportion of shares held, ownership interest and voting power	Nature of business
Incorporated in England and Wales			
10DAS Limited	Ordinary	100%	Dormant
Café Pitfield Limited	Ordinary	100%	Dormant
CHG Brands Limited*	Ordinary	100%	Dormant
FM6 Limited*	Ordinary	100%	Restaurant property
FM98 LTD Limited*	Ordinary	100%	Operation of restaurants
FM111 Limited*	Ordinary	100%	Restaurant property
FM Catherine The Great Limited*	Ordinary	100%	Restaurant property
FM High Holborn Limited	Ordinary	100%	Restaurant property
FM London Bridge Limited	Ordinary	100%	Restaurant property
Franco Manca Holdings Limited	Ordinary	100%	Dormant
Franco Manca International Limited*	Ordinary	100%	Dormant
Franco Manca 1 UK Limited	Ordinary	100%	Restaurant property
Franco Manca 2 UK Limited*	Ordinary	100%	Operation of restaurants
Kefi Limited	Ordinary	100%	Dormant
Souvlaki & Bar Limited*	Ordinary	100%	Restaurant property
The Real Greek Bracknell Limited	Ordinary	100%	Restaurant property
The Real Greek Food Company Limited*	Ordinary	100%	Operation of restaurants
The Real Greek International Limited*	Ordinary	100%	Dormant
The Real Greek (Norwich) Limited*	Ordinary	100%	Dormant
The Real Greek Wine Company Limited*	Ordinary	100%	Restaurant property

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

# 10 INVENTORIES

	28 March 2021 £'000	Group 29 March 2020 £'000	Pa 28 March 2021 £'000	rent company 29 March 2020 £'000
Raw materials Consumables	532 1,444	528 1,378	<u>-</u> -	_ _
	1,976	1,906		

Inventories are charged to cost of sales in the consolidated comprehensive statement of income.

# 11 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	28 March 2021 £'000	Group 29 March 2020 £'000	Pa 28 March 2021 £'000	arent company 29 March 2020 £'000
Included within non-current assets:				
Amounts receivable from subsidiaries	_	_	9,456	10,567
Other receivables	935	1,081	<del>_</del>	
	935	1,081	9,456	10,567
Included within current assets:				
Trade receivables	1,009	606	_	_
Other receivables	491	235	_	61
Prepayments and accrued income	1,221	1,501	53	89
	2,721	2,342	53	150
	3,656	3,423	9,509	10,717

Other receivables due after more than one year relate to rent deposits.

Amounts receivable from subsidiaries in the Company due after more than one year are unsecured and earn interest at 3.5% above LIBOR.

Receivables are denominated in sterling.

The Group and Company hold no collateral against these receivables at the balance sheet date. The Directors consider that the carrying amount of receivables are recoverable in full and approximates to their fair value. As the risk of a credit loss is low there is no material ECL adjustment required.

# 12 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

		Group	Pa	rent company
	28 March	29 March	28 March	29 March
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cash at bank and in hand	12,270	2,056	5,797	1,030

Bank balances comprise cash held by the company on a short term basis with maturity of three months or less. The carrying amount of these assets approximates to their fair value.

# 13 TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

		Group	Р	arent company
	28 March	29 March	28 March	29 March
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Included in current liabilities:				
Trade payables	5,670	5,386	60	83
Other taxation and social security payable	765	1,661	96	86
Other payables	971	808	95	_
Accruals	6,771	4,625	1,743	1,140
=	14,177	12,480	1,994	1,309

Trade payables are all denominated in sterling and comprise amounts outstanding for trade purchases and ongoing costs and are non-interest bearing.

The Directors consider that the carrying amount of trade payables approximate to their fair value.

#### 14 BORROWINGS

	28 March 2021 £'000	Group 29 March 2020 £'000	Par 28 March 2021 £'000	ent company 29 March 2020 £'000
Short term borrowings:				
Bank loans	3,730	_	3,730	_
Lease liabilities	7,909	5,163		
	11,639	5,163	3,730	_
Long term borrowings:				
Bank loans	12,120	11,540	12,120	11,540
Lease liabilities	63,078	63,051	_	_
Amounts owed to subsidiary				
undertakings			235	3,197
	75,198	74,591	12,355	14,737
	86,837	79,754	16,085	14,737

As at 28 March 2021, the Group's committed Sterling borrowing facilities comprises a revolving credit facility of £14,250,000 (2020: £14,250,000), a Coronavirus Large Business Interruption Loan facility ("CLBIL") of £10,750,000 (2020: £Nil), both expiring between one and five years and a bank overdraft facility, repayable on demand, of £750,000 (2020: £750,000) from HSBC Bank PLC ("HSBC") which are secured by a mortgage debenture in favour of HSBC representing fixed or floating charges over all assets of the Group. The Group benefited from covenant waivers from HSBC during the year ended 28 March 2021.

The interest rate applicable on the revolving credit facility is 2.50% above LIBOR and the CLIBIL is 1.95% above LIBOR. The interest rate applicable on the bank overdraft is 2.5% over base rate. The overdraft facility was undrawn as at 28 March 2021.

Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings are amounts borrowed from The Real Greek Food Company Limited, a subsidiary of the Company and are repayable on 29 March 2021. The interest rate applicable on the amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings is 3.5%.

# 14 BORROWINGS (continued)

The maturity profile of the Group's lease liabilities as at 28 March 2021 was as follows:

	28 March 2021 £'000	29 March 2020 £'000
Within one year In more than one year but less than two years In more than two years but less than three years In more than three years but less than four years In more than four years but less than five years In more than five years	7,909 5,086 5,060 5,173 5,084 45,047	5,163 5,354 5,270 5,085 4,778 44,899
	73,359	70,549
Effect of discounting	(2,372)	(2,335)
Lease liabilities	70,987	68,214

There are no committed lease liabilities not yet commenced at 28 March 2021.

Interest expense on borrowings for the year is disclosed in Note 4 finance costs.

# 15 CAPITAL AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The Group is exposed to financial risks which could affect the Group's future financial performance.

This note describes the objectives, policies and processes of the Group for managing those risks and the methods used to measure them.

The Group finances its operations through equity, borrowings and cash generated from operations. For borrowings other than lease liabilities, the Group's policy is to borrow centrally using a mixture of long-term and short-term borrowing facilities to meet anticipated funding requirements. These borrowings, together with cash generated from operations, are loaned internally or contributed as equity to certain subsidiaries.

#### Financial assets and liabilities

The Group and Company had the following financial assets and liabilities:

	28 March 2021 £'000	Group 29 March 2020 £'000	P 28 March 2021 £'000	arent company 29 March 2020 £'000
Non-current financial assets Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings Other receivables	s – 935	_ 1,081	9,456	10,567
Current financial assets Cash at bank and in hand Trade and other receivables*	12,270 1,500 14,705	2,056 841 3,978	5,797  15,253	1,030  11,597
Current financial liabilities At amortised cost – borrowings At amortised cost – payables**	11,639 13,412	5,163 10,819	3,730 1,898	_ 1,223
Non-current financial liabilities At amortised cost – borrowings At amortised cost – payables	75,198	74,591	12,120 235	11,540 3,197
=	100,249	90,573	17,983	15,960

<sup>\*</sup> excludes other taxation and social security receivable and prepayments included in trade and other receivables in note 11.

<sup>\*\*</sup> excludes other taxation and social security and deferred income included in trade and other payables in note 13.

The maturity analysis table below analyses the Group's financial assets and liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the balance sheet to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are contractual undiscounted cash flows.

For the year ended 28 March 2021

	Less than 1 year £'000	Between 1 and 5 years £'000	More than 5 years £'000	Total £'000
Cash at bank and in hand Trade and other receivables Bank loans and overdrafts Lease liabilities Trade and other payables	12,270 1,500 (3,730) (2,930) (13,412)	117 (12,120) (2,867)	818 - (65,190) -	12,270 2,435 (15,850) (70,987) (13,412)
	(6,302)	(14,870)	(64,372)	(85,544)
For the year ended 29 March 2020				
	Less than 1 year £'000	Between 1 and 5 years £'000	More than 5 years £'000	Total £'000
Other investments Cash at bank and in hand Trade and other receivables Bank loans and overdrafts Trade and other payables	2,056 841 — (30) —(10,819)	93 (11,540) (4,056)	988 - (64,128) -	2,056 1,922 (11,540) (68,214) (10,819)
	(7,952)	(15,503)	(63,140)	(86,595)

The financial instruments recognised on the balance sheets and shown above are all loans and receivables and financial liabilities at amortised cost.

The maturity analysis table below analyses the Company's financial assets and liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the balance sheet to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are contractual undiscounted cash flows.

For the year ended 28 March 2021

	Less than 1 year £'000	Between 1 and 5 years £'000	Total £'000
Cash at bank and in hand Trade and other receivables Bank loans and overdrafts Trade and other payables	5,797 (3,730) (1,898) 169	9,456 (12,120) (235) (2,899)	5,797 9,456 (15,850) (2,133) (2,730)
For the year ended 29 March 2020			
	Less than 1 year £'000	Between 1 and 5 years £'000	Total £'000
Cash at bank and in hand Trade and other receivables Bank loans and overdrafts Trade and other payables	1,030 - - (1,223)	10,567 (11,540) (3,197)	1,030 10,567 (11,540) (4,420)
	(193)	(4,170)	(4,363)

The financial instruments recognised on the balance sheets and shown above are all loans and receivables and financial liabilities at amortised cost.

# Liquidity Risks

The Group and Company had a committed long term revolving credit facility of £14,250,000 (2020: £14,250,000), a committed long term Coronavirus Large Business Interruption Loan facility of £10,750,000 (2020: £Nil) and short term bank overdraft facilities available to manage its liquidity as at 28 March 2021 of £750,000 (2020: £750,000).

#### Market Risks

The Group's market risk exposure arises mainly from its floating interest rate interest bearing borrowings. Only the following financial assets and liabilities were interest bearing:

	28 March 2021 £'000	Group 29 March 2020 £'000	Par 28 March 2021 £'000	ent company 29 March 2020 £'000
Floating rate Cash at bank and in hand Bank loans	12,270 (15,850)	2,056 (11,540)	5,797 (15,850)	1,030 (11,540)
	(3,580)	(9,484)	(10,053)	(10,510)

Trade and other receivables and trade and other payables are all non-interest bearing.

Weighted average interest rates paid for bank loans during the year ended 28 March 2021 were 2.2% and year ended 29 March 2020 were 1.9% and the weighted average interest rates paid for bank overdrafts during the year ended 28 March 2021 were 2.5% and year ended 29 March 2020 were 2.5%.

The Group has performed a sensitivity analysis based on a 0.5% variance in LIBOR element of floating interest rates. The annualised impact of an increase in LIBOR by 0.5% applied to the balance of floating rate bank loans at the year end would result in increased finance costs of £79,250 (2020: £57,700).

# Foreign Exchange Risks

During the years ended 28 March 2021 and 29 March 2020, the Group did not receive or pay significant amounts denominated in foreign currencies. As purchasing from foreign franchised territories that is not denominated or agreed in Sterling increase to a significant level, the Group will implement a foreign exchange management policy.

#### Credit Risks

The Group's exposure to credit risk arises mainly from as follows:

	00 M	Group		arent company
	28 March 2021	29 March 2020	28 March 2021	29 March 2020
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cash at bank and in hand	12,270	2,056	5,797	1,030
Trade receivables and other receivables	1,500	841	9,456	10,567
	13,770	2,897	15,253	11,597

The Group estimated that a future credit loss was likely in relation to a deposit made (2020: credit loss in relation to the other investments held by the Group). Therefore the Group has recognised an impairment of £69,000 during the year ended 28 March 2021 (2020: £3,000). The carrying amounts of the other financial assets above are considered to be recoverable in full and approximate to their fair value. They are neither past due nor impaired and the expected credit loss is not considered to be material.

The majority of the Group's cash balances have been held in current accounts savings accounts at HSBC Bank PLC during the years ended 28 March 2021 and 29 March 2020 and did not earn any significant interest. The Group estimates that there is no material expected credit loss.

The majority of the Group's trade receivables are due for settlement within 7 days and largely comprise amounts receivable from credit and debit card clearing houses and online food delivery companies. As the Group has no material credit facilities granted to customers no credit losses have been estimated.

The Group's other receivables predominantly comprises of deposits held by landlords and suppliers and the Group estimates that there is no material expected credit loss on these.

The Company's trade and other receivables are made up of loans to its subsidiary undertaking, Franco Manca 2 UK Limited. The Company has undertaken procedures to determine whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk. Where these procedures identify a significant increase in credit risk, the loss allowance is measured based on the risk of a default occurring over the expected life of the instrument. The Company estimates that there is no increase in credit risk identified given the nature of the balances held and there is no additional credit risk expected from the impact of COVID-19.

#### COVID-19 risks

The macro economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic is uncertain, and continues to evolve, with potential disruption to financial markets including to currencies, interest rates, borrowing costs and the availability of debt financing. However, the Group's financial risk management strategies seek to reduce our potential exposure in relation to these risks. During the year, the Group:

- raised further funds from an equity placing and subscription;
- extended the maturity date of the RCF facility by 12 months to March 2022; and
- o completed a new loan facility under the UK Government's CLBIL scheme for a three year term.

The combined effect of these actions have added an additional £13m of headroom to the Group's capital structure.

Fair Values of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

The fair value amounts of the Group's and Company's financial assets and liabilities as at 28 March 2021 and 29 March 2020 did not materially vary from the carrying value amounts.

#### 16 DEFERRED TAXATION

Analysis of movements in net deferred tax balance during the period:

		Group	Par	ent company
	28 March 2021	29 March 2020	28 March 2021	29 March 2020
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
As at 29 March 2020	(1,879)	(1,623)	3	287
Tax on share based payments	290	(253)	290	(253)
Transfer from/(to) reserves  Movement in accelerated capital	290	(253)	290	(253)
allowances	303	(101)	_	_
Tax on share based payments	214	(39)	185	(31)
Tax on losses	429	_	_	_
Tax on intangible assets	137	137		
Transfer from/(to) profit and loss	1,083	(3)	185	(31)
Net deferred tax (liability)/asset	(506)	(1,879)	478	3

During the year ended 28 March 2021, the Group and Company transferred £290,000 deferred tax charge to reserves (2020: £253,000 from reserves) in relation to deferred tax on share based payments.

#### 16 DEFERRED TAXATION (continued)

The Group's deferred taxation liability disclosed above relates to the following:

	28 March 2021 £'000	Group 29 March 2020 £'000	Pa 28 March 2021 £'000	rent company 29 March 2020 £'000
Deferred tax assets Share options Tax losses	513 429	9	478 	3
Deferred taxation assets	942	9	<u>478</u>	3
Deferred tax liabilities Accelerated capital allowances Intangible assets	901 547	1,203 684		
Deferred taxation liabilities	1,448	1,887	_	

The Company has losses of 981,000 (2020: £285,000) which, subject to agreement with HM Revenue & Customs, are available to offset against the respective Company's future profits. A deferred taxation asset in respect of these losses of £186,000 (2020: £54,000) has not been recognised in the financial statements. Although the directors are confident that the Company will achieve future profitability in line with current expectations the timing of such profits is uncertain and therefore the directors have not recognised the entire deferred tax asset. The Directors have recognised deferred tax assets in relation to the share based payment charge recognised in the year as such deferred tax asset may be used against future group tax relief.

# 17 SHARE CAPITAL

		Group	Pa	arent company
	28 March	29 March	28 March	29 March
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Allotted, issued called up and fully paid: 619,057,651 (2020: 573,617,181)				
ordinary shares of 1p each	6,191	5,736	6,191	5,736

The Company has one class of ordinary share which carries no rights to fixed income.

On 20 August 2020, the Company issued 36,000,000 Ordinary Shares of £0.01 and were allotted for cash at £0.0625 per Ordinary Share.

On 24 February 2021, the Company issued 3,392,772 Ordinary Shares of £0.01 which were allotted for cash at £0.05 per Ordinary Share following the exercise of certain share options in the Company. On the same day, the Company issued a further 3,332,842 Ordinary Shares of £0.01 which were allotted for cash at £0.06 per Ordinary Shares following the exercise of certain share options in the Company.

On 3 March 2021, the Company issued 2,714,856 Ordinary shares of £0.01 which were allotted for cash at £0.06 per Ordinary Share following the exercise of certain share options in the Company.

# 18 SHARE BASED PAYMENTS

The Group currently uses a number of equity settled share plans to incentivise to its Directors and employees.

The Group operates four share plans:

- The Fulham Shore Enterprise Management Incentive ("EMI") Share Option Plan;
- The Fulham Shore Unapproved Share Option Plan ("Unapproved Plan");
- The Fulham Shore Company Share Option Plan ("CSOP"); and
- The Fulham Shore Share Incentive Plan ("SIP")

The Group's Share Plans provide for a grant price equal to the market price of the Company shares on the date of grant. The vesting period on all Share Plans except the SIP is 3 years with an expiration date 7 to 10 years from the date of grant. Furthermore, share options are forfeited if the employee leaves the Group before the options vest unless forfeiture is waived at the discretion of the Remuneration Committee. For the SIP, the vesting period ranges from 1 day to 3 years with an expiration date 10 years from the date of grant. For the initial grant under the SIP, the shares are not forfeited if the employee leaves the Group before vesting. On all schemes, there are no other material vesting conditions.

The charge recorded in the financial statements of the Group in respect of share-based payments is £91,000 (2020: £157,000).

#### The Fulham Shore EMI, Unapproved Plan and CSOP

Outstanding share options under The Fulham Shore EMI, The Fulham Shore Unapproved Share Option Plan and The Fulham Shore CSOP to acquire ordinary shares of 1 pence each as at 28 March 2021 are as follows:

	Year ended 28 March 2021 '000	Year ended 29 March 2020 '000
At the beginning of the year	64,851	63,808
Granted during the year Exercised during the year Lapsed during the year	(9,441) (2,115)	4,225 (2,232) (950)
At the end of the year	53,295	64,851

Weighted average exercise price

	Year ended 28 March 2021 £	Year ended 29 March 2020 £
At the beginning of the year	0.10	0.09
Granted during the year Exercised during the year Lapsed during the year	(0.06) (0.14)	0.11 (0.02) (0.15)
At the end of the year	0.10	0.10

Outstanding and exercisable share options to acquire ordinary shares of 1 pence each as at 28 March 2021 under various Group share plans are as follows:

For the year ended 28 March 2021

Range of		Options	outstanding Weighted		Option	s exercisable Weighted
exercise prices	Number of shares '000	Weighted average exercise price	average remaining contractual life months	Number of shares '000	Weighted average exercise price £	average remaining contractual life months
EMI						
£0.06	3,332	0.0600	7	3,332	0.0600	7
	3,332	0.0600	7	3,332	0.0600	7
Unapproved	40.005	0.0000	40	40.005	0.0000	40
£0.06	13,805	0.0600	43 87	13,805	0.0600	43
£0.1015 £0.11	1,492 23,373	0.1015 0.1100	87 49	23,373	0.1100	49
£0.11 £0.1125	1,595	0.1100	100	23,373	0.1100	49
£0.17625	785	0.1763	75	- 785	0.1763	75
£0.1775	162	0.1775	71	162	0.1775	71
£0.1825	1,421	0.1825	63	1,421	0.1825	63
	42,633	0.0975	52	39,546	0.0967	48
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CSOP	4.540	0.4045	07			
£0.1015	1,518	0.1015	87	_	_	_
£0.1125 £0.17625	2,180 915	0.1125 0.1763	100 75	915	0.1763	_ 75
£0.17625 £0.1775	538	0.1763	75 71	538	0.1763	75 71
£0.1773	2,179	0.1775	63	2,179	0.1775	63
	7,330	0.1438	81	3,632	0.1802	67
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For the year ended 29 March 2020

Range of		Options	s outstanding Weighted		Option	s exercisable Weighted
exercise prices	Number of shares '000	Weighted average exercise price £	average remaining contractual life months	Number of shares '000	Weighted average exercise price £	average remaining contractual life months
EMI	0.770	0.0500	44	0.770	0.0500	44
£0.05 £0.06	2,779 9,440	0.0500 0.0600	11 19	2,779 9,440	0.0500 0.0600	11 19
	12,219	0.0519	14	5,011	0.0519	14
Unapproved						
£0.05	554	0.0500	11	554	0.0500	11
£0.06	13,805	0.0600	19	13,805	0.0600	19
£0.1015	1,692	0.1015	99	· –	_	_
£0.11	23,873	0.1100	25	23,873	0.1100	25
£0.1125	1,695	0.1125	112	_	_	_
£0.17625	1,085	0.1763	87	_		_
£0.1775	162	0.1775	83	162	0.1775	83
£0.1825	1,557	0.1825	75	1,557	0.1825	75
	44,423	0.0979	33	39,951	0.0950	25
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£0.1015	1,733	0.1015	99	_	_	_
£0.1125	2,530	0.1125	112	_	_	_
£0.17625	915	0.1763	87	_	_	_
£0.1775	638	0.1775	83	638	0.1775	83
£0.1825	2,393	0.1825	75	2,393	0.1825	75
	8,209	0.1427	93	3,031	0.1814	77

During the year ended 28 March 2021, the market price of ordinary shares in the Company ranged from £0.0475 (2020: £0.0450) to £0.1650 (2020: £0.1290). The share price as at 28 March 2021 was £0.1525 (2020: £0.055).

The fair value of the options is estimated at the date of grant using a Black-Scholes valuation model. There were no options issued during the year ended 28 March 2021.

Expected life of options used in the model is based on management's best estimate, for the effects of non-transferability, exercise restrictions and behavioural considerations.

Expected volatility was determined by calculating the historical 90 days volatility of the Group's share price over the previous 180 days. The inputs to the Black Scholes model for the grants were as follows:

	Year ended	Year ended
	28 March 2021	29 March 2020
	2021	2020
Weighted average expected life	_	3 years
Weighted average exercise price	_	11.25 pence
Risk free rate	_	0.75%
Expected volatility	_	52.5%
Expected dividends	_	_
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# The Fulham Shore SIP

The Fulham Shore SIP was introduced during the year ended 27 March 2015. Outstanding ordinary shares of 1 pence each granted under The Fulham Shore SIP as at 28 March 2021 are as follows:

	Year ended 28 March 2021 '000	Year ended 29 March 2020 '000
At the beginning of the year	591	591
Exercised during the year	(12)	
At the beginning and end of the year	579	591

For the year ended 28 March 2021

Range of		SIP shares	s outstanding Weighted		SIP share	s exercisable Weighted
exercise prices		Weighted	average		Weighted	average
	Number	average	remaining	Number	average	remaining
	of	exercise	contractual	of	exercise	contractual
	shares	price	life	shares	price	life
	'000	£	months	'000	£	months
Nil	579		49	579		49
	579	<u> </u>	49	579	_	49

For the year ended 29 March 2020

Range of	SIP shares outstanding e of Weighte					
exercise prices		Weighted	average		Weighted	average
·	Number	average	remaining	Number	average	remaining
	of	exercise	contractual	of	exercise	contractual
	shares	price	life	shares	price	life
	'000	£	months	,000	£	months
Nil	591		61	591		61
	591	_	61	591		61

The fair value of the SIP shares is estimated at the date of grant using a Black-Scholes valuation model.

# 19 NOTE TO CASH FLOW STATEMENTS

Reconciliation of net cash flows from operating activities

	Year ended 28 March 2021 £'000	Group Year ended 29 March 2020 £'000	Par Year ended 29 March 2021 £'000	ent company Year ended 29 March 2020 £'000
Loss for the year Income tax (credit)/expense	(6,306) (1,209)	(1,175) 421	(948) (185)	(739) 31
Loss before tax Finance income Finance costs	(7,515) (10) 2,754	(754) (10) 2,596	(1,133) (479) 507	(708) (466) 439
Operating (loss)/profit for the year	(4,771)	1,832	(1,105)	(735)
Adjustments Depreciation and amortisation Impairment Change in fair value Loss on disposal of fixed assets Share based payments expense Cost of acquisition	11,972 1,013 - 3 91	11,577 263 245 23 157	29 - - - 8 -	31 - - 1 4 10
Operating cash flows before movements in working capital	8,308	14,111	(1,068)	(689)
Increase in inventories	(70)	(142)	_	_
(Increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables Increase/(decrease) in trade and	(233)	(59)	97	(32)
other payables	1,700	1,307	685	(3)
Cash generated from/(used in) operations	9,705	15,217	(286)	(724)
Income taxes paid		(375)		
Net cash flow from/(used in) operating activities	9,705	14,842	(286)	(724)

# 19 NOTE TO CASH FLOW STATEMENTS (continued)

Changes in net debt from financing activities

Group	Cash and Cash Equivalents £'000	Lease liabilities due within 1 year £'000	Lease liabilities due after 1 year £'000	Bank loans due within 1 year £'000	Bank loans due after 1 year £'000	Total £'000
Net debt as at 31 March 2019 IFRS 16 transitional	1,835	_	_	_	(11,240)	(9,405)
adjustment		(4,668)	(58,715)			(63,383)
Net debt as at 1 April 2019 Cash flows Additions to lease liabilities	1,835 221	(4,668) 4,332 (4,827)	(58,715) - (4,336)		(11,240) (300)	(72,788) 4,253 (9,163)
Net debt as at 29 March 2020 Cash flows Reallocation Additions to lease liabilities	2,056 10,214 -	(5,163) 1,972 (4,915) (141)	(63,051) - 4,915 (5,188)	_ (3,730) _	(11,540) (4,310) 3,730	(77,698) 7,876 – (5,329)
Remeasurements to lease liabilities Reduction of lease liabilities	-	(131) 469	(707) 953	-	_	(838) 1,422
Net debt as at 28 March 2021	12,270	(7,909)	(63,078)	(3,730)	(12,120)	(74,567)

Net debt before lease liabilities recognised under IFRS 16 as at 28 March 2021 was £3,580,000 (2020: £9,484,000).

# 19 NOTE TO CASH FLOW STATEMENTS (continued)

Parent Company	Cash and Cash Equivalents £'000	Bank loans due within 1 year £'000	Bank loans due after 1 year £'000	Total £'000
Net debt as at 31 March 2019 Cash flows	1,008		(13,721) (1,016)	(13,699)
Net debt as at 29 March 2020 Cash flows Reallocation	1,030 4,767 —	- (3,730)	(14,737) (1,348) 3,730	(13,707) 3,419
Net debt as at 28 March 2021	5,797	(3,730)	(12,355)	(10,288)

# 20 LEASE COMMITMENTS

The Group had aggregate minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases which fall due as follows:

	28 March 2021 £'000	Group 29 March 2020 £'000	Pa 28 March 2021 £'000	rent company 29 March 2020 £'000
Land and buildings within one year	100	6	_	_
	100	6	_	

The commitment included above relates to annual lease commitments under short term leases that have not been included in borrowings and will be included as operating lease rentals in the following year. Within the terms of the leases for land and buildings are commitments for variable pay that are dependent on turnover. These have not been disclosed in the above table due to the variable nature of these payments.

# 21 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The Group capital expenditure contracted for but not provided in the financial statements as follows:

		Group	Pa	rent company
	28 March	29 March	28 March	29 March
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Committed new restaurant builds	902	503		

#### 22 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of the directors, who are the key management personnel of the Group, is provided in the Report on Directors' Remuneration on pages 22 to 25, and in note 3. Details of share options granted to Directors are also shown in the Report on Directors' Remuneration.

## Transactions with Directors other than compensation

During the year ended 28 March 2021, DM Page, NAG Mankarious, N Wong and N Donaldson, directors of the Company, exercised options over 9,440,470 ordinary shares (2020: DM Page and NAG Mankarious exercised options over 2,231,944 ordinary shares). The aggregate gains made on the exercise of the options during the year was £561,000 (2020: £223,000).

During the year ended 29 March 2020, the Group acquired approximately 1% minority interests in its two subsidiaries: Kefi Limited ("Kefi"), which owns the subsidiary that owns and operates The Real Greek; and Franco Manca Holdings Limited (formerly Rocca Limited) ("FM Holdings"), which owns the subsidiary that owns and operates Franco Manca, for a total consideration of £628,026 in cash from DM Page and NAG Mankarious, both directors of the Company.

#### Other related party transactions

During the year, the Group was invoiced £58,000 (2020: £101,000) for the services of NJ Donaldson by London Bridge Capital Partners LLP, a business in which NJ Donaldson is a partner, and the balance outstanding at 28 March 2021 was £Nil (2020: £18,000). This arrangement ended on 31 December 2020.

# 22 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES (continued)

During the year the Group invoiced £71,000 (2020: £71,000) in rent relating to a property leased to Meatailer Limited, a company in which DM Page and NAG Mankarious are directors and shareholders and NJ Donaldson and NCW Wong are shareholders. No COVID-19 related support was granted to Meatailer Limited during the year. The balance outstanding as at 28 March 2021 owed by Meatailer Limited was £Nil (2020: £1,000). During the year Meatailer Limited invoiced the Group and Company £48,000 (2020: £30,000) for a volume rebate received by the Group that was attributable to Meatailer Limited on a joint purchasing deal earned from a third party supplier and the Group £Nil (2020: £2,000) for a staff Christmas Party. The balance outstanding as at 28 March 2021 owed to Meatailer was £Nil (2020: £2,000).

# Transactions between the Company and its subsidiaries

Transactions between the Company and its subsidiaries, which are related parties, have been eliminated on consolidation. During the year, the Company provided restaurant management services to the following subsidiaries:

Amounts invoiced (including VAT)

Amounts invoiced (including VAT)		
, , , ,	Par	ent company
	Year	Year
	ended	ended
	28 March	29 March
	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000
The Real Greek Food Company Limited	623	636
Franco Manca 2 UK Limited	1,302	845
	1,925	1,481

# 22 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES (continued)

During the year the Company also loaned amounts to the following subsidiaries:

Amounts loaned/(repaid)	Par	ent company
	Year	Year
	ended	ended
	28 March	29 March
	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000
10DAS Limited	2	(1)
The Real Greek Food Company Limited	2,959	(716)
Franco Manca 2 UK Limited	(1,111)	(1,296)
	1,850	(2,013)
Amounts outstanding at year end	Par	ent company
, and an order and an order	28 March	29 March
	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000
10DAS Limited	(14)	(16)
The Real Greek Food Company Limited	(221)	(3,180)
Franco Manca 2 UK Limited	9,456	10,567
	9,221	7,371
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The Company was a legal guarantor and a party to an agreement in which 10DAS Limited during the year, a subsidiary company, entered into a lease of a restaurant space. The total potential aggregate minimum lease payments that has been called under this guarantee at the end of the year were £Nil (2020: £Nil).

# 23 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Impact of Covid-19

On 6 January 2021, the UK Government issued direct instructions to again temporarily close all restaurants to dine-in trade as part of wider efforts in the fight against Covid-19. All of the Group's restaurants therefore once again closed to dine in trade with a handful of restaurants fully closed.

Following the financial year end and since 12 April 2021, the date from which the UK Government determined that restaurants could reopen to serve dine-in customers outdoors if safe to do so, the Group has undertaken a gradual reopening of its restaurants to dine in customers. On 17 May 2021, the UK Government allowed restaurants to reopen indoor dining areas, with social distancing rules, if safe to do so. The Group has since early June reopened all restaurants to dine-in customers but with social distancing rules applied thus with fewer available covers. On 19 July 2021, social distancing rules were removed by the UK Government thus allowing all restaurants to increase capacity back to similar levels to those prior to the start of the pandemic in March 2020.

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AND ADVISERS

**DIRECTORS COMPANY SECRETARY** 

**DM Page Executive Chairman** NAG Mankarious Managing Director

NJ Donaldson Director

NCW Wong Finance Director

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NJ Donaldson

Number 07973930

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at 09.00 on 29 September 2021 at The Real Greek, Bridgemaster's House, Duchess Walk, London SE1 2UP to consider, and if thought fit, pass the following resolutions. Resolutions 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 shall be proposed as ordinary resolutions and resolution 6 as a special resolution:

#### ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

- 1. to receive and adopt the Report of the Directors, the financial statements and the report of the auditors for the period ended 28 March 2021.
- 2. to receive and approve the Report on Directors' Remuneration for the period ended 28 March 2021.
- 3. to re-appoint Mr Nabil Ayad Gerges Mankarious, who retires by rotation under the Company's Articles of Association, as a director of the Company.
- 4. to re-appoint RSM UK Audit LLP as auditors of the Company to hold office from the conclusion of this meeting until the conclusion of the next general meeting at which financial statements are laid before the Company and to authorise the Directors to determine their remuneration.
- 5. in accordance with section 551 of the Companies Act 2006, the Directors of the Company (the "Directors") be generally and unconditionally authorised to allot shares in the Company or grant rights to subscribe for or convert any security into shares in the Company within the meaning of that section on and subject to such terms as the Directors may determine up to an aggregate nominal amount of £3,100,612 provided that this authority shall, unless renewed, varied or revoked by the Company, expire at the conclusion of the Company's next annual general meeting, save that the Company may, before such expiry, make an offer or agreement which would or might require shares to be allotted and the Directors may allot shares in pursuance of such offer or agreement notwithstanding that the authority conferred by this resolution has expired. This resolution revokes and replaces all unexercised authorities previously granted to the Directors to allot shares in the Company or grant rights to subscribe for or convert any security into shares in the Company but without prejudice to any allotment of shares or grant of rights already made, offered or agreed to be made pursuant to such authorities.

#### SPECIAL RESOLUTION

6. subject to and conditional upon the passing of resolution 5 and in accordance with section 570 of the Companies Act 2006 (the "Act"), the directors of the Company (the "Directors") be generally empowered to allot equity securities (as defined in section 560 of the Act) pursuant to the authority conferred by resolution 5, as if section 561(1) of the Act did not apply to any such allotment, provided that this power shall be limited to the allotment of equity securities up to an aggregate nominal value of £930,183. This resolution revokes and replaces all unexercised powers previously granted to the Directors to allot equity securities as if section 561(1) of the Act did not apply but without prejudice to any allotment of equity securities already made or agreed to be made pursuant to such authorities.

#### BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

#### **DM Page**

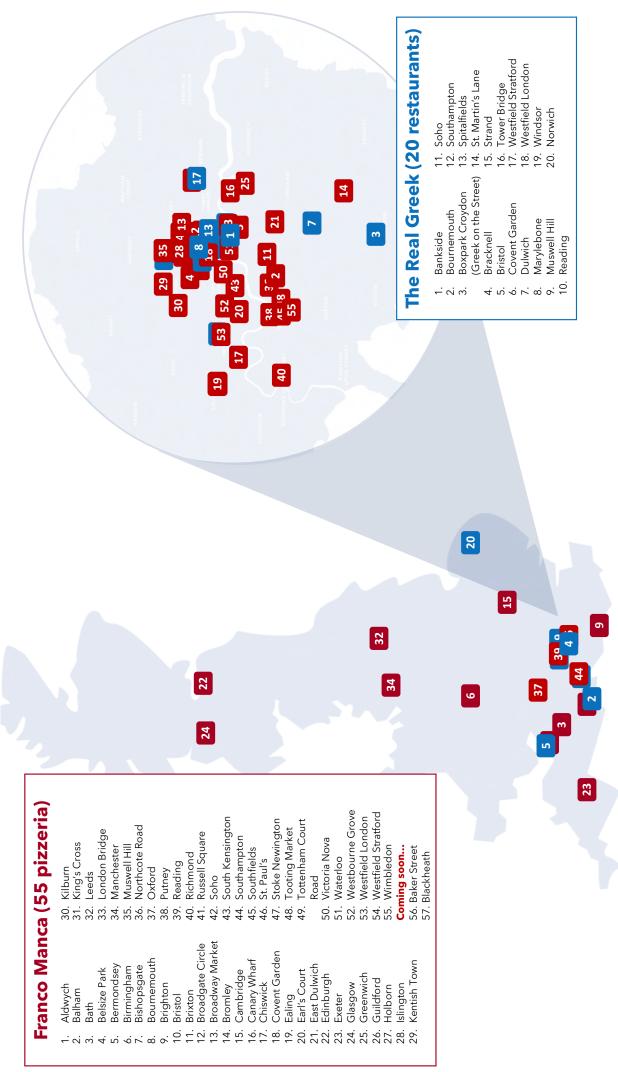
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3 September 2021

# THE FULHAM SHORE PLC NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### Notes

- 1. In the interests of protecting the health and safety of our shareholders, colleagues and the general public, the Directors recommend that shareholders do not attend the AGM in person. Members of the Board will form the required quorum for the meeting. Accordingly, the Board strongly encourages Shareholders to appoint the Chairman of the Meeting as their proxy by post with their voting instructions by returning the proxy form by post to the Company's registrars as soon as possible. The registrars must receive your proxy form by 09.00 (London time) on Monday 27 September 2021.
- 2. There will be no Q&A session at the AGM, but the Company will host an investor presentation through the digital platform, Investor Meet Company at 16.30 on Wednesday 29 September 2021. Shareholders can sign up to Investor Meet Company for free via the following link: www.investormeetcompany.com or for more information please contact Hudson Sandler at fulhamshore@hudsonsandler.com.
- 3. Shareholders entitled to attend and vote at the AGM may appoint a proxy or proxies to attend and speak on their behalf. A shareholder may appoint more than one proxy in relation to the AGM provided that each proxy is appointed to exercise the rights attached to a different share or shares held by that shareholder. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 4. Investors who hold their shares through a nominee may wish to appoint a proxy, in which case they should discuss this with their nominee or stockbroker.
- 5. To be effective, a form of proxy must be deposited at SLC Registrars (trading name of Equiniti David Venus Limited), P.O. Box 5222, Lancing BN99 9FG or sent via email to proxy@slcregistrars.com by not later than 09.00 on 27 September 2021 or, in the case of an adjournment, 48 hours prior to the time of the adjourned AGM (Saturdays and Public Holidays excluded).
- 6. The Company, pursuant to Regulation 41 of the Uncertificated Securities Regulations 2001, specifies that only those holders of ordinary shares in the capital of the Company registered in the register of members of the Company at 18.30 on 27 September 2021 or, in the case of an adjournment, at close of business on the date which is two days before the day of the adjourned general meeting, shall be entitled to attend and vote at the AGM in respect of such number of shares registered in their name at that time. In each case, changes to entries in the register of members after such time shall be disregarded in determining the rights of any person to attend or vote at the AGM.
- 7. Details of those Directors seeking re-election are given on page 26 of the Report and Financial Statements. The details of the service contracts for the Executive Directors are set out in the Report on Directors' Remuneration on pages 22 to 25 of the Report and Financial Statements. The Register of Directors' Interests and the Directors' service agreements will be available for inspection during usual business hours on any weekday (Saturdays and Public Holidays excluded) at the registered office of the Company until the date of the Annual General Meeting and at the place of the meeting for 15 minutes prior to and until the termination of the meeting.



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