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WOODSFORD UNDERWRITING LLP

MEMBERS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

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STRATEGIC REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

The members present their strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2017.

Review of business

The principal activity of the LLP in the year under review was that of a Limited Liability Underwriting member of Lloyd's.

The result for the year is in respect of the 2017 annual accounting year, which consists of movements in the 2015, 2016 and 2017 years of account as well as any 2014 and prior run-off years. Gross premiums written increased from £1,536,211 to £1,649,583 compared to the previous year and the overall balance in the technical account decreased from £90,501 surplus to a £58,921 deficit as a result of the level of claims experienced.

The LLP has continued to underwrite on the 2018 underwriting account where the market conditions are considered favourable for a profitable outcome subject to the level of claims experienced.

The key business risks and uncertainties affecting the LLP are considered to relate to insurance risk, investment and currency risk and regulatory risk.

Results for the year and allocation to members

The financial statements incorporate the annual accounting results of the syndicates on which the LLP participates for the 2017 year of account. The 2017 year of account will normally close at 31 December 2019.

The result for the year is shown in the income statement.

Financial risk management objectives and policies

The LLP is principally exposed to financial risk through its participation on Lloyd's Syndicates. It has delegated sole management and control of its underwriting through each Syndicate to the Managing Agent of that Syndicate and it looks to the Managing Agent to implement appropriate policies, procedures and internal controls to manage each Syndicates' exposures to insurance risk, credit risk, market risk, liquidity risk and operational risk. The LLP is also directly exposed to these risks, but they are not considered material for the assessment of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the LLP. Hedge accounting is not used by the LLP.

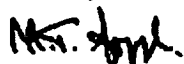
Key performance indicators

The members monitor the performance of the LLP by reference to the following key performance indicators:

	2017	2016
Capacity	£ 1,617,054	£ 1,590,729
Gross premium written as a % of capacity	102.01%	96.57%
Combined ratio	107.51%	95.02%

The combined ratio is the ratio of net claims incurred, commissions and expenses to net premiums earned.

Approved by the Members on 22 August 2018 and signed on its behalf by:



M J Argyle for and on behalf of Fidentia Trustees Limited
Designated Member

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MEMBERS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

The members have pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017.

Designated members

The Designated Members during the year under review were:

Fidentia Nominees Ltd

Fidentia Trustees Ltd

Members' interests

The profit / loss of the LLP for the financial year is allocated to each member in accordance with their respective profit / loss shares for the relevant year(s) of account.

Any amounts contributed by the members to the LLP will be repaid by the LLP on departure of a member from the LLP. These amounts are shown as liabilities on the balance sheet.

Members can only withdraw profits to the extent that the LLP retains sufficient working capital to finance its ongoing operation.

Statement of members' responsibilities

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

Legislation applicable to Limited Liability Partnerships requires the members to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the members have elected to prepare financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the LLP and of the profit or loss of the LLP for that year.

In preparing those financial statements, the members are required to :

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

The members are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the LLP and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 as modified by the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008.

The members are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the LLP and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

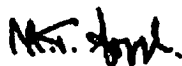
Auditors

Humphrey & Co resigned as auditors after the year end and Humphrey & Co Audit Services Ltd were appointed in their place.

Statement of disclosure to auditors

So far as the members are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006) of which the LLP's auditors are unaware, and each member has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a member in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the LLP's auditors are aware of that information.

Approved by the Members on 22 August 2018 and signed on its behalf by:



M J Argyle for and on behalf of Fidentia Trustees Limited
Designated Member

WOODSFORD UNDERWRITING LLP

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF WOODSFORD UNDERWRITING LLP

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Woodsford Underwriting LLP (the 'LLP') for the year ended 31 December 2017 set out on pages 6 to 29. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the LLP's affairs as at 31 December 2017 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- 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 LLP in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

Other information

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

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

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

- the information given in the Strategic Report and the Members' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Strategic Report and the Members' 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 LLP and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Strategic Report and the Members' Report.

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

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

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF WOODSFORD UNDERWRITING LLP

Responsibilities of the members

As explained more fully in the Statement of members' responsibilities set out on page 3, the members 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 members' determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

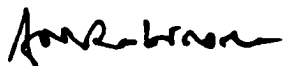
In preparing the financial statements, the members are responsible for assessing the LLP's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the members either intend to liquidate the LLP or to cease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

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

This report is made solely to the LLP'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 LLP'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 LLP and the LLP's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Andrew Robinson (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Humphrey & Co Audit Services Ltd
Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditor

Date: 22 August 2018

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INCOME STATEMENT - TECHNICAL ACCOUNT (GENERAL BUSINESS) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

	Note	2017 £	2016 £
Gross premiums written	5	1,649,583	1,536,211
Outward reinsurance premiums		(357,666)	(301,925)
Net premiums written		1,291,917	1,234,286
Change in the provision for unearned premiums			
Gross provision		(6,957)	(30,441)
Reinsurers' share		6,340	15,245
Net change in the provision for unearned premiums		(617)	(15,196)
Earned premiums net of reinsurance		1,291,300	1,219,090
Allocated investment income	8	41,347	32,703
Claims paid			
Gross amount		(908,737)	(731,049)
Reinsurers' share		145,850	124,398
Net claims paid		(762,887)	(606,651)
Change in provision for claims			
Gross amount		(286,249)	(214,074)
Reinsurers' share		205,637	133,287
Net change in provision for claims		(80,612)	(80,787)
Claims incurred net of reinsurance		(843,499)	(687,438)
Net operating expenses	9	(544,747)	(470,931)
Investment expenses and charges		(3,322)	(2,923)
Balance on technical account for general business		(58,921)	90,501

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INCOME STATEMENT - NON TECHNICAL ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

	Note	2017 £	2016 £
Balance on the general business technical account		(58,921)	90,501
Investment income	8	228	90
Other income	10	136,527	13,988
Other charges		(47,094)	(17,951)
Profit/(loss) for the financial year before members' remuneration and profit shares	11	30,740	86,628
Members' remuneration charged as an expense		(30,740)	(86,628)
Profit/(loss) for the financial year available for distribution among Members		-	-
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			
Profit/(loss) for the financial year available for distribution among Members		-	-
Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the financial year available for discretionary division among Members		-	-

All amounts above relate to continuing operations.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2017

Registered Number (England and Wales): OC347607

ASSETS	Note	Syndicate Participation £	Partnership £	2017 Total £	2016 Total £
Intangible assets					
Syndicate participation rights	12	-	36,607	36,607	9,377
Investments					
Financial investments	13	1,858,448	-	1,858,448	2,075,851
Deposits with ceding undertakings		174	-	174	188
Total investments		1,858,622	-	1,858,622	2,076,039
Reinsurers' share of technical provisions					
Provision for unearned premiums	7	122,908	-	122,908	125,575
Claims outstanding	7	388,132	-	388,132	290,871
Other technical provisions		414,510	-	414,510	334,646
Total reinsurers' share of technical provisions		925,550	-	925,550	751,092
Debtors					
Arising out of direct insurance operations	14				
Policyholders		42	-	42	28
Intermediaries		350,373	-	350,373	381,446
Arising out of reinsurance operations	14	39,895	136,468	176,363	27,440
Other debtors	15	257,633	-	257,633	321,216
Total debtors		647,943	136,468	784,411	730,130
Other assets					
Cash at bank and in hand	16	275,117	25,200	300,317	300,143
Other		666	-	666	639
Total other assets		275,783	25,200	300,983	300,782
Prepayments and accrued income					
Accrued interest		4,781	-	4,781	4,639
Deferred acquisition costs	7	198,803	-	198,803	196,175
Other prepayments and accrued income		9,352	-	9,352	8,713
Total prepayments and accrued income		212,936	-	212,936	209,527
Total assets		3,920,834	198,275	4,119,109	4,076,947

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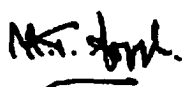
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (continued) AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2017

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	Note	Syndicate Participation £	Partnership £	2017 Total £	2016 Total £
LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' INTERESTS					
Members' interests due within one year					
Members' capital classified as a liability		(93,612)	133,108	39,496	63,256
Technical provisions					
Provision for unearned premiums	7	714,005	-	714,005	752,911
Claims outstanding - gross amount	7	2,875,980	-	2,875,980	2,719,892
Total technical provisions		3,589,985	-	3,589,985	3,472,803
Provisions for other risks and charges		-	-	-	-
Deposits received from reinsurers		10,860	-	10,860	19,223
Creditors					
Arising out of direct insurance operations		59,517	-	59,517	47,196
Arising out of reinsurance operations		196,686	-	196,686	191,849
Amounts due to credit institutions		-	-	-	-
Other creditors	17	118,856	65,167	184,023	248,047
Total creditors		375,059	65,167	440,226	487,092
Accruals and deferred income					
Other accruals and deferred income		38,542	-	38,542	34,573
Total liabilities		3,920,834	198,275	4,119,109	4,076,947
TOTAL MEMBERS' INTERESTS					
Loans and other debts due to members		(93,612)	133,108	39,496	63,256
Loans and other debts due from members		-	-	-	-
Total members' interests		(93,612)	133,108	39,496	63,256

Approved by the Members on 22 August 2018 and signed on its behalf by:



M J Argyle for and on behalf of Fidentia Trustees Limited
Designated Member

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' INTERESTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

	Syndicate	Partnership Members' Capital Classified as a Liability		2017 Total	2016 Total
	Members' Capital Classified as a Liability £	Syndicate Capacity £	Other Profits £	£	£
Members' interests brought forward	109,580	9,377	(55,701)	63,256	114,622
Amounts introduced / (withdrawn) by Members	-	-	(54,500)	(54,500)	(137,994)
Members' remuneration charged as an expense for the year	(58,921)	27,230	62,431	30,740	86,628
Reallocation	(144,271)	-	144,271	-	-
Repayment of debt (including Members' capital classified as a liability)	-	-	-	-	-
Other movements	-	-	-	-	-
Members' interests at 31 December	(93,612)	36,607	96,501	39,496	63,256

TOTAL MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Loans and other debts due to members	39,496	63,256
Loans and other debts due from members	-	-
Total members' interests	<u>39,496</u>	<u>63,256</u>

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STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

	Note	2017 £	2016 £
Net cash inflow from operating activities	18	97,405	143,424
Interest received		228	90
Interest paid		-	-
Dividends received		-	-
Net cash inflow from operating activities		97,633	143,514
Cash (outflow)inflow from investing activities			
Purchase of syndicate participation rights		(30,542)	(8,964)
Proceeds from sale of syndicate participation rights		295	13,988
Purchase of investments		-	-
Proceeds from sale of investments		-	-
Net cash (outflow)inflow from investing activities		(30,247)	5,024
Transactions with Members and former Members			
(Payments to)/contributions by Members		(54,500)	(137,994)
Post retirement payments to former Members		-	-
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from Members		(54,500)	(137,994)
Increase in cash		12,886	10,544
Net funds at 1 January		12,314	1,770
Increase in cash in the year		12,886	10,544
Net funds at 31 December		25,200	12,314

The Partnership has no control over the disposition of assets and liabilities at Lloyd's. Consequently, the Cash Flow Statement is prepared reflecting only the movement in Partnership funds, which includes transfers to and from the syndicates at Lloyd's.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

1 General Information

The partnership is a limited liability partnership that was incorporated in England and whose registered office is 3 Castlegate, Grantham, Lincolnshire, NG31 6SF. The partnership participates in insurance business as an underwriting member of various syndicates at Lloyd's.

2 Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", FRS 103 "Insurance Contracts", the Companies Act 2006 and Regulation 6 of Schedule 3 to the Large and Medium Sized Companies and Groups (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, relating to insurance. The financial statements have also been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice on Accounting by Limited Liability Partnerships dated 15 July 2014.

The members do not consider the partnership to be a financial institution under FRS 102.

2.2 Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost basis of accounting modified to include the revaluation of certain financial instruments held at fair value, through the Income Statement.

The technical account has been prepared on an annual basis of accounting, whereby the incurred cost of claims, commission and related expenses are charged against the earned proportion of premiums net of re-insurance. Amounts reported in the technical account relate to movements in the period in respect of all relevant years of account of the Syndicates on which the LLP participates.

Accounting information in respect of the Syndicate participations has been provided by the Syndicate managing agents through an information exchange facility operated by Lloyd's and has been reported on by the Syndicate auditors.

Assets and liabilities arising as a result of the underwriting activities are mainly controlled by the Syndicates' managing agents and are shown separately on the Statement of Financial Position as "Syndicate Assets" and "Syndicate Liabilities". The assets are held subject to trust deeds for the benefit of the Syndicates' insurance creditors.

In continuing to apply the going concern basis to this LLP's financial statements the following factors have been taken into account: the likely timing of any underwriting and non-underwriting cash flows, any Funds at Lloyd's supporting the LLP's underwriting and not reflected in the LLP's Statement of Financial Position and the continued support of the members including the potential deferral of balances due to them.

General business

i Premiums

Premiums written comprise the total premiums receivable in respect of business inception during the year, together with any differences between booked premiums for prior years and those previously accrued, and include estimates of premiums due but not yet receivable or notified to the syndicates on which the Partnership participates, less an allowance for cancellations. All premiums are shown gross of commission payable to intermediaries and exclude taxes and duties levied on them.

ii Unearned premiums

Written premium is earned according to the risk profile of the policy. Unearned premiums represent the proportion of premiums written in the year that relate to unexpired terms of policies in force at the statement of financial position date, calculated on a time apportionment basis having regard where appropriate, to the incidence of risk. The specific basis adopted by each Syndicate is determined by the relevant managing agent.

iii Deferred acquisition costs

Acquisition costs, which represent commission and other related expenses, are deferred over the period in which the related premiums are earned.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

iv Reinsurance premiums

Reinsurance premium costs are allocated by the Managing Agent of each Syndicate to reflect the protection arranged in respect of the business written and earned.

v Claims incurred and reinsurers' share

Claims incurred comprise claims and settlement expenses (both internal and external) occurring in the year and changes in the provisions for outstanding claims, including provisions for claims incurred but not reported and settlement expenses, together with any other adjustments to claims from previous years. Where applicable, deductions are made for salvage and other recoveries.

The provision for claims outstanding comprises amounts set aside for claims notified and claims incurred but not yet reported (IBNR). The amount included in respect of IBNR is based on statistical techniques of estimation applied by each syndicate's in house reserving team and reviewed by external consulting actuaries. These techniques generally involve projecting from past experience the development of claims over time to form a view of the likely ultimate claims to be experienced for more recent underwriting, having regard to variations in the business accepted and the underlying terms and conditions. The provision for claims also includes amounts in respect of internal and external claims handling costs. For the most recent years, where a high degree of volatility arises from projections, estimates may be based in part on output from rating and other models of the business accepted and assessments of underwriting conditions.

The reinsurers' share of provisions for claims is based on calculated amounts of outstanding claims and projections for IBNR, net of estimated irrecoverable amounts, having regard to each syndicate's reinsurance programme in place for the class of business, the claims experience for the year and the current security rating of the reinsurance companies involved. Each syndicate uses a number of statistical techniques to assist in making these estimates.

Accordingly the two most critical assumptions made by each syndicates' managing agent as regards claims provisions are that the past is a reasonable predictor of the likely level of claims development and that the rating and other models used including pricing models for recent business are reasonable indicators of the likely level of ultimate claims to be incurred.

The level of uncertainty with regard to the estimations within these provisions generally decreases with time from when the underlying contracts were originally exposed to new risks. In addition the nature of short tail claims such as property where claims are typically notified and settled within a short period of time will normally have less uncertainty after a few years than long tail risks such as some liability business where it may be several years before claims are fully advised and settled. In addition to these factors if there are disputes regarding coverage under policies or changes in the relevant law regarding a claim this may increase the uncertainty in the estimation of the outcomes.

The assessment of these provisions is usually the most subjective aspect of an insurer's accounts and may result in greater uncertainty within an insurer's accounts than within those of many other businesses. The provisions for gross claims and related reinsurance recoveries have been assessed on the basis of the information currently available to the directors of each syndicate's managing agent. However, ultimate liability will vary as a result of subsequent information and events and this may result in significant adjustments to the amounts provided. Adjustments to the amounts of claims provisions established in prior years are reflected in the Financial Statements for the period in which the adjustments are made. The provisions are not discounted for the investment earnings that may be expected to arise in the future on the funds retained to meet the future liabilities. The methods used, and the estimates made, are reviewed regularly.

vi Unexpired risks provisions

Provisions for unexpired risks are made where costs of outstanding claims, related expenses and deferred acquisition costs are expected to exceed the unearned premium provision carried forward at the statement of financial position date. The provision for unexpired risks is calculated separately by reference to classes of business which are managed together, after taking into account relevant investment return. The provision is made on a syndicate by syndicate basis by the relevant managing agent.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

vii Closed years of account

At the end of the third year, the underwriting account is normally closed by reinsurance into the following year of account. The amount of the reinsurance to close premium payable is determined by the managing agent, generally by estimating the cost of claims notified but not settled at 31 December, together with the estimated cost of claims incurred but not reported at that date, and an estimate of future claims handling costs. Any subsequent variation in the ultimate liabilities of the closed year of account is borne by the underwriting year into which it is reinsured.

The payment of a reinsurance to close premium does not eliminate the liability of the closed year for outstanding claims. If the reinsuring syndicate was unable to meet its obligations, and the other elements of Lloyd's chain of security were to fail, then the closed underwriting account would have to settle outstanding claims.

The members consider that the likelihood of such a failure of the reinsurance to close is extremely remote, and consequently the reinsurance to close has been deemed to settle the liabilities outstanding at the closure of an underwriting account. The Partnership has included its share of the reinsurance to close premiums payable as technical provisions at the end of the current period, and no further provision is made for any potential variation in the ultimate liability of that year of account.

viii Run-off years of account

Where a year of account is not closed at the end of the third year (a "run-off" year of account) a provision is made for the estimated cost of all known and unknown outstanding liabilities of that year. The provision is determined initially by the managing agent on a similar basis to the reinsurance to close. However, any subsequent variation in the ultimate liabilities for that year remains with the underwriting member participating therein. As a result any run-off year will continue to report movements in its results after the third year until such time as it secures a reinsurance to close.

ix Net Operating Expenses (including Acquisition Costs)

Net operating costs include acquisition costs, profit and loss on exchange and other amounts incurred by the syndicates on which the Partnership participates.

Acquisition costs, comprising commission and other costs related to the acquisition of new insurance contracts, are deferred to the extent that they are attributable to premiums unearned at the financial reporting date.

x Basis of currency translation

Syndicates maintain separate funds in Sterling, United States and Canadian dollars, and may also do so in certain other currencies.

Income and expenditure in US dollars, Canadian dollars and Euros is translated at the average rate of exchange for the year. Underwriting transactions denominated in other foreign currencies are included at the rate of exchange ruling at the date the transaction is processed.

Monetary assets and liabilities, which according to FRS 103 are deemed to include unearned premiums and deferred acquisition costs, are translated into Sterling at the rates of exchange at the financial reporting date.

Any non-monetary items are translated into the functional currency using the rate of exchange prevailing at the time of the transaction. FRS 103 states that insurance assets and liabilities (unearned premiums and deferred acquisition costs) are required to be treated as monetary items. These assets and liabilities have been translated at the period end to the functional currency at the closing rate.

Differences arising on translation of foreign currency amounts in syndicates are included in the non-technical account.

xi Debtors/creditors arising from insurance/reinsurance operations

The amounts shown in the Statement of Financial Position include the totals of all the syndicates outstanding debit and credit transactions. No account has been taken of any offsets which may be applicable in calculating the net amounts due between the syndicates and each of their counterparty insureds, reinsurers or intermediaries as appropriate.

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xii Distribution of profits and collection of losses

Lloyd's operates a detailed set of regulations regarding solvency and the distribution of profits and payment of losses between syndicates and their members. Lloyd's continues to require membership of syndicates to be on an underwriting year of account basis and profits and losses belong to members according to their membership of a year of account. Normally profits and losses are transferred between the syndicate and members after results for a year of account are finalised after 36 months. This period may be extended if a year of account goes into run-off. The syndicate may make earlier on account distributions or cash calls according to the cash flow of a particular year of account and subject to Lloyd's requirements.

xiii Investments

Investments are stated at current value, including accrued interest at the financial reporting date.

xiv Financial assets and financial liabilities

The syndicates investments comprise of debt and equity investments, derivatives, cash and cash equivalents and loans and receivables.

Debtors/creditors arising from insurance/reinsurance operations shown in the Statement of Financial Position include the totals of all the syndicate's outstanding debit and credit transactions as processed by the Lloyd's central facility. No account has been taken of any offsets which may be applicable in calculating the net amounts due between the syndicates and each of their counterparty insureds, reinsurers or intermediaries as appropriate.

Recognition

Financial assets and liabilities are recognised when the syndicate becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the syndicate after deducting all of its liabilities.

Initial measurement

All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction cost), except for those financial assets classified as at fair value through the income statement, which are initially measured at fair value (which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs), unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction. If an arrangement constitutes a finance transaction, the financial asset or liability is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Subsequent measurement

Non-current debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Debt instruments that are classified as payable or receivable within one financial year and which meet the above conditions are measured at the undiscounted amount of the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received.

Other debt instruments are measured at fair value through the income statement.

Derecognition of financial assets and liabilities

Financial assets are derecognised when and only when a) the contractual rights of the cash flow from the financial asset expire or are settled, b) the syndicates transfer to another party substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset or c) the syndicates, despite having retained some significant risks and rewards of ownership, have transferred control of the asset to another party and the other party has the practical ability to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party and is able to exercise that ability unilaterally and without needing to impose additional restrictions on the transfer.

Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

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xiv Financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)

Fair value measurement

The best evidence of fair value is a quoted price for an identical asset in an active market. When quoted prices are unavailable, the price of a recent transaction for an identical asset provides evidence of fair value as long as there has not been a significant change in economic circumstances or a significant lapse in time since the transaction took place. If the market is not active and recent transactions of an identical asset on their own are not a good estimate of fair value, the syndicates estimate the fair value by using a valuation technique.

Impairment of financial instruments measured at amortised cost or cost

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the amount of an impairment is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate, i.e. using the effective interest method.

For financial assets carried at cost less impairment, the impairment loss is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the best estimate of the amount that would be received for the asset if it were to be sold at the reporting date.

Where indicators exist for a decrease in impairment loss, and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the prior impairment loss is tested to determine reversal. An impairment loss is reversed on an individual impaired financial asset to the extent that the revised recoverable value does not lead to a revised carrying amount higher than the carrying value had no impairment been recognised. The amount of the reversal is recognised in the income statement immediately.

xv Investment Return

Investment return comprises all investment income, realised investment gains and losses and movements in unrealised gains and losses, net of investment expenses and charges.

Realised and unrealised gains and losses are measured by reference to the original cost of the investment if purchased in the year, or if held at the beginning of the year by reference to the current value at that date.

Members' Interests

Loans and other debts due to Members rank pari passu with other unsecured creditors on the winding up of a partnership. There is no protection offered to unsecured creditors which is legally enforceable.

Members' Remuneration

Under the LLP agreement, the net profit of the LLP for the financial year is allocated to each member in accordance with their respective profit shares for the relevant year(s) of account.

Under the LLP agreement, net profits/losses are automatically divided between Members and accordingly Members' Remuneration is shown in the income statement. Any unpaid Members' Remuneration at the year end is shown as a liability in the Statement of Financial Position.

Intangible assets

Costs incurred by the Company in the Corporation of Lloyd's auctions in order to acquire rights to participate on Syndicates' underwriting years are included within intangible assets and amortised over a 3 year period beginning with the respective year of Syndicate participation. The intangible assets are reviewed for impairment where there are indicators for impairment and any impairment is charged to the income statement for the period.

Taxation

Income tax payable on the Partnership's profits is solely the personal liability of the Members and consequently is not dealt with in these Financial Statements.

Statement of Cash Flows

The Partnership has no control over the disposition of assets and liabilities at Lloyd's. Consequently, the Statement of Cash Flows is prepared reflecting only the movement in partnership funds, which includes transfers to and from syndicates at Lloyd's.

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2.3 Reinsurance at partnership level

Where considered applicable by the members, the LLP may purchase additional reinsurance to that purchased through the syndicates. Any such reinsurance premiums and related reinsurance recoveries are treated in the same manner as described for syndicates in Note 2.2 (iv) and (v).

3 Key accounting judgements and estimation uncertainties

In applying the LLP's accounting policies, the Members are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions in determining the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities. These judgements, estimates and assumptions are based on the best and most reliable evidence available at the time when the decisions are made, and are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be applicable. Due to the inherent subjectivity involved in making such judgements, estimates and assumptions, the actual results and outcomes may differ. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised, if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods, if the revision affects both current and future periods.

The measurement of the provision for claims outstanding is the most significant judgement involving estimation uncertainty regarding amounts recognised in these financial statements in relation to underwriting by the syndicates and this is disclosed further in Note 4.

The management and control of each Syndicate is carried out by the managing agent of that Syndicate, and the LLP looks to the managing agent to implement appropriate policies, procedures and internal controls to manage each Syndicate.

The key accounting judgements and sources of estimation uncertainty set out below therefore relate to those made in respect of the LLP only, and do not include estimates and judgements made in respect of the Syndicates.

i Purchased syndicate capacity

Estimating value in use:

Where an indication of impairment of capacity values exists, the Members will carry out an impairment review to determine the recoverable amount, which is the higher of fair value less cost to sell and value in use. The value in use calculation requires an estimate of the future cash flows expected to arise from the capacity and a suitable discount rate in order to calculate present value.

Determining the useful life of purchased syndicate capacity:

The assessed useful life of syndicate capacity is 3 years. This is on the basis that this is the life over which the original value of the capacity is used up.

ii Assessing indicators of impairment

In assessing whether there have been any indicators of impairment of assets, the Members consider both external and internal sources of information such as market conditions, counterparty credit ratings and experience of recoverability. There have been no indicators of impairments identified during the current financial year.

iii Recoverability of debtors

The LLP establishes a provision for debtors that are estimated not to be recoverable. When assessing recoverability, factors such as the ageing of the debtors, past experience of recoverability, and the credit profile of individual groups of customers are all considered.

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4 Risk management

This section summarises the financial and insurance risks the LLP is exposed to either directly at its own partnership level or indirectly via its participation in the Lloyd's syndicates.

Risk background

The syndicate's activities expose it to a variety of financial and non-financial risks. The managing agent is responsible for managing the syndicate's exposure to these risks and, where possible, introducing controls and procedures that mitigate the effects of the exposure to risk. Each year, the managing agent prepares a Lloyd's Capital Return ("LCR") for the syndicate, the purpose of this being to agree capital requirements with Lloyd's based on an agreed assessment of the risks impacting the syndicate's business, and the measures in place to manage and mitigate those risks from a quantitative and qualitative perspective. The risks described below are typically reflected in the LCR, and, typically, the majority of the total assessed value of the risks concerned is attributable to insurance risk.

The insurance risks faced by a syndicate include the occurrence of catastrophic events, downward pressure on pricing of risks, reductions in business volumes and the risk of inadequate reserving. Reinsurance risks arise from the risk that the reinsurer fails to meet their share of a claim. The management of the syndicate's funds is exposed to risks of investments, liquidity, currency and interest rates leading to financial loss. The syndicate is also exposed to regulatory and operational risks including its ability to continue to trade. However, supervision by Lloyd's provides additional controls over the syndicate's management of risks.

The LLP manages the risks faced by the syndicates on which it participates by monitoring the performance of the syndicates it supports. This commences in advance of committing to support a syndicate for the following year, with a review of the business plan prepared for each syndicate by its managing agent. In addition, quarterly reports and annual accounts together with any other information made available by the managing agent are monitored and if necessary enquired into. If the LLP considers that the risks being run by the syndicate are excessive it will seek confirmation from the managing agent that adequate management of the risk is in place and, if considered appropriate, will withdraw from the next underwriting year. The LLP relies on advice provided by the members' agent which acts for it, who are specialists in assessing the performance and risk profiles of syndicates. The LLP also mitigates its risks by participating across several syndicates.

The Members do not consider the LLP to be a financial institution under FRS 102, on the basis that the LLP itself does not undertake the business of effecting or carrying out insurance contracts. Therefore there is no requirement to discuss financial risks arising from syndicate investment activities. The analysis below provides details of the financial risks the LLP is exposed to from syndicate insurance activities as required by FRS 103.

Syndicate risks

i Liquidity risk

The syndicates are exposed to daily calls on their available cash resources, principally from claims arising from its insurance business. Liquidity risk arises where cash may not be available to pay obligation when due, or to ensure compliance with the syndicate's obligations under the various trust deeds to which it is party.

The syndicates aim to manage their liquidity position so that they can fund claims arising from significant catastrophic events, as modelled in their Lloyd's realistic disaster scenarios ("RDS").

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ii Credit risk

Credit ratings to syndicate assets emerging directly from insurance activities, excluding cash at bank and financial investments, which are neither past due nor impaired are as follows:

2017	AAA	AA	A	BBB or lower	Not rated	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Deposits with ceding undertakings	-	-	-	-	174	174
Reinsurers share of claims outstanding	1,877	132,939	611,208	4,331	52,287	802,642
Reinsurance debtors	-	3,705	20,844	202	7,041	31,792
Insurance debtors	-	-	-	-	312,352	312,352
	1,877	136,644	632,052	4,533	371,854	1,146,960

2016	AAA	AA	A	BBB or lower	Not rated	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Deposits with ceding undertakings	-	-	-	-	188	188
Reinsurers share of claims outstanding	12,859	113,212	472,236	8,087	19,123	625,517
Reinsurance debtors	4,888	3,681	10,444	1,098	342	20,453
Insurance debtors	-	-	-	-	340,202	340,202
	17,747	116,893	482,680	9,185	359,855	986,360

Syndicate assets emerging directly from insurance activities, excluding cash at bank and financial investments, past their due date or impaired are as follows:

2017	Less than 3 months	Between 3 and 6 months	Between 6 months and 1 year	Greater than 1 year	Impaired	Total past due or impaired
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Deposits with ceding undertakings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reinsurers share of claims outstanding	-	-	-	-	(188)	(188)
Reinsurance debtors	5,928	1,459	480	246	(11)	8,102
Insurance debtors	14,845	4,168	6,632	12,576	(157)	38,064
	20,773	5,627	7,112	12,822	(356)	45,978

2016	Less than 3 months	Between 3 and 6 months	Between 6 months and 1 year	Greater than 1 year	Impaired	Total past due or impaired
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Deposits with ceding undertakings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reinsurers share of claims outstanding	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reinsurance debtors	5,856	289	275	305	260	6,985
Insurance debtors	18,329	4,376	6,520	12,347	(298)	41,274
	24,185	4,665	6,795	12,652	(38)	48,259

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iii Interest rate and equity price risk

Interest rate risk and equity price risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates and market prices, respectively.

iv Currency risk

The syndicates' main exposure to foreign currency risk arises from insurance business originating overseas, primarily denominated in US dollars. Transactions denominated in US dollars form a significant part of the syndicates' operations. This risk is, in part, mitigated by the syndicates maintaining financial assets denominated in US dollars against its major exposures in that currency.

The table below provides details of syndicate assets and liabilities by currency:

2017	GBP £	USD £ converted	EUR £ converted	CAD £ converted	Other £ converted	Total £ converted
Total assets	868,227	2,322,036	281,839	326,117	122,615	3,920,834
Total liabilities	(1,191,119)	(2,297,906)	(258,279)	(235,255)	(31,887)	(4,014,446)
Surplus/(deficiency) of assets	(322,892)	24,130	23,560	90,862	90,728	(93,612)

2016	GBP £	USD £ converted	EUR £ converted	CAD £ converted	Other £ converted	Total £ converted
Total assets	869,374	2,422,690	240,137	327,651	195,404	4,055,256
Total liabilities	(1,198,880)	(2,151,955)	(251,950)	(227,852)	(115,039)	(3,945,676)
Surplus/(deficiency) of assets	(329,506)	270,735	(11,813)	99,799	80,365	109,580

Partnership risks

i Investment, credit, liquidity and currency risks

The significant risks faced by the LLP are with regard to the investment of the available funds within its own custody. The elements of these risks are investment risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, currency risk and interest rate risk. The main liquidity risk would arise if a syndicate had inadequate liquid resources for a large claim and sought funds from the LLP to meet the claim. In order to minimise investment, credit and liquidity risk the LLP's funds are invested in readily realisable short term deposits. The syndicates can distribute their results in Pound Sterling, US Dollars or a combination of the two. The LLP is exposed to movements in the US Dollar between the Statement of Financial Position date and the distribution of the underwriting profits and losses, which is usually in the May following the closure of the year of account. The LLP does not use derivative instruments to manage risk and, as such, no hedge accounting is applied.

ii Regulatory risks

The LLP is subject to continuing approval by Lloyd's to be a member of a Lloyd's syndicate. The risk of this approval being removed is mitigated by monitoring and fully complying with all requirements in relation to membership of Lloyd's. The capital requirements to support the proposed amount of syndicate capacity for future years are subject to the requirements of Lloyd's. A variety of factors are taken into account by Lloyd's in setting these requirements including market conditions and syndicate performance and although the process is intended to be fair and reasonable, the requirements can fluctuate from one year to the next, which may constrain the volume of underwriting the LLP is able to support.

iii Operational risks

As there are relatively few transactions actually undertaken by the LLP there are only limited systems and operational requirements of the LLP and therefore operational risks are not considered to be significant. Close involvement of all Members in the LLP's key decision making and the fact that the majority of the LLP's operations are conducted by syndicates, provides control over any remaining operational risks.

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5 Class of business	Gross written premiums	Gross premiums earned	Gross claims incurred	Operating expenses	Reinsurance balance
	£	£	£	£	£
2017					
Direct					
Accident and health	76,622	77,995	(42,389)	(34,321)	(159)
Motor - third party liability	5,709	6,864	(5,572)	(2,300)	11
Motor - other classes	125,319	130,977	(106,575)	(38,415)	96
Marine, aviation and transport	139,942	146,322	(71,291)	(57,461)	(648)
Fire and other damage to property	428,550	437,749	(381,461)	(143,248)	1,049
Third party liability	505,042	481,304	(216,276)	(177,999)	(2,872)
Credit and suretyship	32,858	34,662	(25,468)	(12,242)	28
Other	11,164	11,074	(7,066)	(4,748)	(31)
Total direct	1,325,206	1,326,947	(856,098)	(470,734)	(2,526)
Reinsurance business					
Reinsurance balance	324,377	315,679	(338,888)	(74,013)	2,687
Total	1,649,583	1,642,626	(1,194,986)	(544,747)	161
2016	£	£	£	£	£
Direct					
Accident and health	77,025	77,152	(45,297)	(31,637)	(1,665)
Motor - third party liability	7,481	7,728	(4,741)	(2,353)	(69)
Motor - other classes	121,746	112,801	(112,457)	(32,631)	25,589
Marine, aviation and transport	136,409	146,057	(72,863)	(52,949)	(4,656)
Fire and other damage to property	424,092	424,127	(209,587)	(132,179)	(52,875)
Third party liability	454,906	413,196	(367,401)	(141,171)	74,424
Credit and suretyship	21,125	22,094	(14,513)	(5,426)	(1,765)
Other	11,541	12,086	(5,823)	(4,588)	(495)
Total direct	1,254,325	1,215,241	(832,682)	(402,934)	38,488
Reinsurance business					
Reinsurance balance	281,886	290,529	(112,441)	(67,997)	(67,483)
Total	1,536,211	1,505,770	(945,123)	(470,931)	(28,995)

Any open year loss provisions, stop loss premiums and stop loss recoveries have been allocated across the classes of business by reference to the gross premiums written.

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6 Geographical analysis	2017	2016
	£	£
Direct gross premiums written in:		
United Kingdom	1,291,349	1,223,227
Other EU member states	8,974	11,463
The rest of the world	24,883	19,635
Total	1,325,206	1,254,325

7 Technical provisions

Movement in claims outstanding

	2017			2016		
	Gross £	Reinsurance £	Net £	Gross £	Reinsurance £	Net £
At 1 January	(2,719,892)	290,871	(2,429,021)	(2,301,532)	243,963	(2,057,569)
Movement in technical account	(286,249)	205,637	(80,612)	(214,074)	133,287	(80,787)
Other movements	130,161	(108,376)	21,785	(204,286)	(86,379)	(290,665)
At 31 December	(2,875,980)	388,132	(2,487,848)	(2,719,892)	290,871	(2,429,021)

Movement in unearned premiums

	2017			2016		
	Gross £	Reinsurance £	Net £	Gross £	Reinsurance £	Net £
At 1 January	(752,911)	125,575	(627,336)	(643,924)	97,749	(546,175)
Movement in technical account	(6,957)	6,340	(617)	(30,441)	15,245	(15,196)
Other movements	45,863	(9,007)	36,856	(78,546)	12,581	(65,965)
At 31 December	(714,005)	122,908	(591,097)	(752,911)	125,575	(627,336)

Movement in deferred acquisition costs

	2017 Net £	2016 Net £
At 1 January	196,175	162,579
Movement in deferred acquisition costs	5,853	7,290
Other movements	(3,225)	26,306
At 31 December	198,803	196,175

Included within other movements are foreign exchange movements in restating the opening balances and the effect of prior years' technical provisions being reinsured to close, to the extent where the LLP's syndicate participation portfolio has changed between years of account.

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7 Technical provisions (continued)

Assumptions, changes in assumptions and sensitivity

The majority of the risks to the LLP's future cash flows arise from its participation in the results of Lloyd's syndicates and are mostly managed by the managing agents of the syndicates. The LLP's role in managing these risks, in conjunction with the LLP's members' agent, is limited to a selection of syndicate participations and monitoring the performance of the syndicates and their managing agents.

The amounts carried by the LLP arising from insurance contracts are calculated by the managing agents of the syndicates and derived from accounting information provided by the managing agents and reported upon by the syndicate auditors.

The key assumptions underlying the amounts carried by the LLP arising from insurance contracts are:

- i The net premiums written calculated by the managing agent are an accurate assessment of the premiums payable as a result of the risks contractually committed to up to the financial reporting date.
- ii The net unearned premiums calculated by the managing agent are an accurate assessment of the net premiums written that reflect the exposure to risks arising after the financial reporting date, including appropriate allowance for anticipated losses in excess of the unearned premium.
- iii The claims reserves calculated by the managing agents are an accurate assessment of the ultimate liabilities in respect of claims relating to events up to the financial reporting date.
- iv The potential ultimate result of run-off year results has been accurately estimated by the managing agents.
- v The values of investments and other assets and liabilities are correctly stated at their realisable values at the financial reporting date.

There have been no changes to these assumptions in 2017.

The amounts carried by the LLP arising from insurance contracts are sensitive to various factors as follows:

- i A 5% increase/decrease in net earned premium (with claims incurred assumed to change pro-rata with premium) will increase/decrease the Company's pre-tax profit/loss by £22,390 (2016: £26,583).
- ii A 5% increase/decrease in the managing agents' calculation of gross claims reserves will decrease/increase the Company's pre-tax profit/loss by £143,799 (2016: £135,995).
- iii A 5% increase/decrease in the managing agents' calculation of net claims reserves will decrease/increase the Company's pre-tax profit/loss by £124,392 (2016: £121,451).

Claims development - Gross	At the end of underwriting year	After 12 months	After 24 months	After 36 months	Profit/loss on RITC received
Underwriting pure year	£	£	£	£	£
2017	771,950	-	-	-	-
2016	481,267	1,012,400	-	-	-
2015	380,633	792,800	826,782	-	-
2014	407,994	767,257	840,747	799,206	-
2013 and prior years	1,514,097	2,494,614	2,550,469	7,685,975	-

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7 Technical provisions (continued)					
Claims development - Net	At the end of underwriting year	After 12 months	After 24 months	After 36 months	Profit/loss on RITC received
Underwriting pure year	£	£	£	£	£
2017	490,405	-	-	-	-
2016	356,859	769,565	-	-	-
2015	322,392	669,474	716,591	-	-
2014	341,767	658,186	701,999	665,925	-
2013 and prior years	1,267,150	2,132,771	2,162,566	6,336,174	-

8 Investment return

The following return on investments relate to investments held at fair value.

	2017 £	2016 £
Investment income	35,787	35,480
Realised gain/(loss) on investments	5,560	(2,777)
Allocated investment income - technical account	41,347	32,703
Income from other investments (including interest receivable)	228	90
Realised gain from other investments	-	-
Unrealised gain from other investments	-	-
Investment income - non-technical account	228	90
Investment expenses and charges - technical account	(3,322)	(2,923)
Total investment return	38,253	29,870

9 Net operating expenses

	2017 £	2016 £
Acquisition costs	389,600	369,276
Administrative expenses	151,388	153,086
Loss/(Profit) on exchange	3,759	(51,431)
Total	544,747	470,931

10 Other income

	2017 £	2016 £
Profit on sale of syndicate participation rights	59	13,988
Other	136,468	-
Total	136,527	13,988

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11	Profit/(loss) for the financial year before members' remuneration and profit shares	2017 £	2016 £
	This is stated after charging:		
	Auditor's remuneration - audit	445	445
	Amortisation of syndicate capacity	3,076	206

The partnership has no employees.

The average number of members during the period was 4 (2016: 4).

12	Intangible assets	Syndicate Participation Rights £
	Cost	
	At 1 January 2017	385,830
	Additions	30,542
	Disposals	(721)
	At 31 December 2017	415,651
	Amortisation	
	At 1 January 2017	376,453
	Charge for the year	3,076
	Impairment losses	-
	Disposals	(485)
	At 31 December 2017	379,044
	Net book value	
	At 31 December 2017	36,607
	At 31 December 2016	9,377

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13 Investments: Financial investments

			Syndicate	Partnership	2017 Total
<i>At market value</i>			£	£	£
Shares and other variable yield securities	- level 1	32,455			
	- level 2	254,648			
	- level 3	6,710	293,813	-	293,813
Debt securities and other fixed income securities	- level 1	407,553			
	- level 2	1,067,307			
	- level 3	-	1,474,860	-	1,474,860
Participation in investment pools	- level 1	20,723			
	- level 2	11,104			
	- level 3	17,911	49,738	-	49,738
Loans guaranteed by mortgage	- level 1	15			
	- level 2	27			
	- level 3	2	44	-	44
Other	- level 1	13,907			
	- level 2	24,435			
	- level 3	1,651	39,993	-	39,993
Total			1,858,448	-	1,858,448

None of the above investments are valued at amortised cost.

			Syndicate	Partnership	2016 Total
<i>At market value</i>			£	£	£
Shares and other variable yield securities	- level 1	32,747			
	- level 2	283,510			
	- level 3	64	316,321	-	316,321
Debt securities and other fixed income securities	- level 1	372,326			
	- level 2	1,284,630			
	- level 3	-	1,656,956	-	1,656,956
Participation in investment pools	- level 1	6,323			
	- level 2	12,546			
	- level 3	22,739	41,608	-	41,608
Loans guaranteed by mortgage	- level 1	30			
	- level 2	46			
	- level 3	3	79	-	79
Other	- level 1	23,668			
	- level 2	34,861			
	- level 3	2,358	60,887	-	60,887
Total			2,075,851	-	2,075,851

The partnership investments held include £Nil (2016: £Nil) at market value in respect of Lloyd's deposits that are held in accordance with the constraints detailed in note 21.

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13 Investments: Financial investments (continued)

The partnership uses the following hierarchy for determining and disclosing the fair value of financial investments by valuation technique:

Level 1: quoted (unadjusted) prices in active markets for identical assets

Level 2: prices based on recent transactions in identical assets

Level 3: prices determined using a valuation technique

None of the above investments are valued at amortised cost.

	Syndicate £	Partnership £	2017 Total £	2016 Total £
<i>At cost</i>				
Shares and other variable yield securities	300,624	-	300,624	304,961
Debt securities and other fixed income securities	1,490,220	-	1,490,220	1,665,775
Participation in investment pools	43,785	-	43,785	35,414
Loans guaranteed by mortgage	45	-	45	81
Other loans	945	-	945	10,035
Deposits with credit institutions	4,159	-	4,159	10,899
Other	33,794	-	33,794	38,894
Total	1,873,572	-	1,873,572	2,066,059

14 Debtors arising out of direct insurance and reinsurance operations

	Syndicate £	Partnership £	2017 Total £	2016 Total £
The following amounts are due after one year:				
Direct insurance operations	6,616	-	6,616	10,306
Reinsurance operations	2,628	136,468	139,096	807
Total	9,244	136,468	145,712	11,113

15 Other debtors

	Syndicate £	Partnership £	2017 Total £	2016 Total £
Deferred tax	-	-	-	-
Other	257,633	-	257,633	321,216
Total	257,633	-	257,633	321,216

Partnership other debtors includes £Nil (2016: £Nil) due to the LLP from the members.

16 Cash at bank

	Syndicate £	Partnership £	2017 Total £	2016 Total £
Lloyd's deposit	138,768	6	138,774	145,289
Cash at bank and in hand	136,349	25,194	161,543	154,854
Total	275,117	25,200	300,317	300,143

Any Lloyd's deposit is held in accordance with the constraints detailed in note 21.

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17 Other creditors	Syndicate	Partnership	2017	2016
	£	£	£	£
Other creditors	118,856	65,167	184,023	248,047
Social security costs	-	-	-	-
Members' capital account	-	-	-	-
	118,856	65,167	184,023	248,047

18 Reconciliation of profit before tax, finance costs and finance income to net cash inflow from operating activities

	2017	2016
	£	£
Profit before tax, finance costs and finance income	30,512	86,538
Prior year result distributable in year	144,271	112,809
Profit on sale of syndicate participation rights	(59)	(13,988)
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	56,073	(42,141)
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	(136,468)	-
Amortisation and impairment of syndicate participation rights	3,076	206
Net cash inflow from operating activities	97,405	143,424

Note that the current year technical loss of £58,921, which has not been distributed in the year, is included within the increase/(decrease) in creditors line above.

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19 Related party transactions

There have been no related party transactions in the year other than making available assets to support the LLP's Lloyd's underwriting as detailed in note 21 below.

20 Ultimate controlling party

No individual person has overall control of the LLP.

21 Funds at Lloyd's

Cash balances of £6 detailed in note 16 and investments of £Nil detailed in note 13 are held within the LLP's Lloyd's deposit.

The Lloyd's deposit represents funds deposited with the Corporation of Lloyd's (Lloyd's) to support the LLP's underwriting activities as described in the accounting policies. The LLP has entered into a legal agreement with Lloyd's which gives the Corporation the right to apply these funds in settlement of any claims arising from the LLP's participation on Lloyd's Syndicates. These funds can only be released from the provision of this deed with Lloyd's express permission and only in circumstances where the amounts are either replaced by an equivalent asset or after the expiration of the LLP's liabilities in respect of its underwriting.

The LLP's Lloyd's underwriting is supported by a guarantee of £1,000,000 (2016: £1,000,000) from Coutts Private Bank. The assets supporting the bank guarantee have been provided by the members of the LLP.

In addition to these amounts, the members of the LLP have also made available to Lloyd's assets amounting to approximately £Nil (2016: £Nil) which are also used by the LLP to support its Lloyd's underwriting. These assets have not been recognised in the financial statements as they are held in the individual members name.