

W, DC & F Thomson Limited

**Directors' report and accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2013**

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W, DC & F Thomson Limited

Directors' report

To the One Hundredth Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held on 9 July 2014

The directors submit herewith the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 December 2013.

Activities

The company carried on business as an Investment Trust during the year to 31 December 2013 and is a close company.

Financial

	£
Profit available for distribution	700,492
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A proposal to make an interim dividend of £22.97 per share for the year ended 31 December 2013 was passed at a meeting of Directors on 11 th June 2014	261,858
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Directors

The directors of the company at the date of this report and throughout the year are shown in note 5 to the accounts.

In terms of the Articles of Association LM Thomson retires by rotation and being eligible offers himself for re-election.

So far as each director is aware there is no relevant audit information of which the auditors are unaware. Each director has taken the appropriate steps as a director to make themselves aware of such information and to establish that the auditors are aware of it.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act.

By order of the board



I Douglas
Secretary
Dundee

17 June 2014

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Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the annual report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the accounts in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The accounts are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those accounts, the directors are required to:

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

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Independent auditor's report to the shareholders of W, DC & F Thomson Limited

We have audited the accounts of W, DC & F Thomson Limited for the year ended 31 December 2013 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet, cash flow statement and related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement set out on page 2, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the accounts in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the accounts sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the accounts are free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and the overall presentation of the accounts. In addition, we read all the financial and non financial information in the directors' report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited accounts and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. Should we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies, we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on accounts

In our opinion the accounts:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2013 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.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the directors' report for the financial year for which the accounts are prepared is consistent with the accounts.

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Independent auditor's report to the shareholders of W, DC & F Thomson Limited (continued)

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the company accounts 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.
- The directors were not entitled to prepare accounts in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the directors report and from preparing the strategic report.



Steve Cartwright (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of

Henderson Loggie, Statutory Auditor

Dundee

17 June 2014

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Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 2013

	Note	2013 £	2012 £
Dividends - UK		303,302	286,887
Interest received		4,691	5,211
		<u>307,993</u>	<u>292,098</u>
Gain on sale of investments	2	509,180	-
		<u>817,173</u>	<u>292,098</u>
Administrative expenses	3	(44,113)	(43,990)
Profit before taxation		<u>773,060</u>	<u>248,108</u>
Taxation	6	(72,568)	11,734
Profit for the financial year		<u><u>700,492</u></u>	<u><u>259,842</u></u>

A statement of reserves is given in note 11.

There are no recognised gains and losses for the year other than the profit of £700,492 (2012 - £259,842).

The profit for the financial year relates entirely to the equity shareholders and the appropriations for the year are dealt with in note 4.

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Balance sheet at 31 December 2013

	Note	2013 £	2012 £
Fixed assets			
Investments	7	2,914,728	2,883,109
Current assets			
Debtors	8	30,334	24,370
Cash at bank and short term deposits		801,337	315,232
		<u>831,671</u>	<u>339,602</u>
Creditors : Amounts falling due within one year	9	74,728	(2,100)
Net current assets		<u>756,943</u>	<u>337,502</u>
Net assets		<u><u>3,671,671</u></u>	<u><u>3,220,611</u></u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	10	11,400	11,400
Capital reserve	11	2,610,317	2,190,922
Profit and loss account	11	1,049,954	1,018,289
Shareholders' funds	12	<u><u>3,671,671</u></u>	<u><u>3,220,611</u></u>

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and were approved by the board of directors on 17 June 2014 and were signed on its behalf by:

AF Thomson

AF Thomson
Director

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Cash flow statement for the year ended 31 December 2013

	Note	2013 £	2012 £
Net cash inflow from operating activities	13	257,976	257,994
Financial investment			
Purchase of investments	(157,415)	(250,000)	
Sale of investments	634,976	-	
		<u>477,561</u>	<u>(250,000)</u>
Taxation paid		-	(321)
Dividends paid		<u>(249,432)</u>	<u>(237,576)</u>
Increase/(decrease) in cash		<u>486,105</u>	<u>(229,903)</u>
Balance at 1 January 2013		315,232	545,135
Balance at 31 December 2013		<u><u>801,337</u></u>	<u><u>315,232</u></u>

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Notes to the accounts

1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's accounts.

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with appropriate accounting standards.

Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost. The portfolio as a whole is considered for impairment reviews annually.

Investment income

Investment income receivable is recognised on an accruals basis which for franked investment income means on an XD basis.

Capital gains or losses are transferred net of related tax to the capital reserve.

Management expenses

Management expenses are stated on the basis of amounts applicable to the financial year.

Foreign currencies

Foreign assets are valued using the middle rates of exchange ruling at the year end. Foreign income is converted at the rate of exchange applicable on receipt.

Dividends

Dividends payable are recognised when declared or, where necessary, approved in general meeting.

2 Gain on sale of investments

The sale of investments in the year to 31 December 2013 has generated a capital gain of £509,180 (2012 - £Nil) with an associated tax charge of £89,785 (2012 - £Nil).

3 Administrative expenses

These include audit fees of £2,220 (2012 - £2,160) and non-audit fees of £Nil (2012 - £600).

The directors received no remuneration or fees for their services during either this or the previous financial year.

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Notes to the accounts (continued)

4 Appropriations

	2013 £	2012 £
Profit after taxation	700,492	259,842
Transfer to capital reserve	(419,395)	(11,734)
Profits available for distribution	<u>281,097</u>	<u>248,108</u>
Earnings per share	<u>24.66</u>	<u>21.76</u>

A proposal to make an interim dividend of £22.97 per share was passed at a meeting of Directors on 11th June 2014. Dividends paid in the year are shown in note 12.

5 Directors

The directors of the company throughout the year ended 31 December 2013 are shown below.

The respective interests of the directors, including shares held as trustees without beneficial interest, in the shares of the company are set out below:-

	31 December 2013 No	31 December 2012 No
Interest in £1 Ordinary shares including shares held as trustees without beneficial interest		
L M Thomson	20	20
A F Thomson	90	90
CHW Thomson	40	40
In addition as joint trustees without beneficial interest		
CHW Thomson	180	180
A F Thomson } L M Thomson } CHW Thomson }	620	620
L M Thomson	620	620

Dividends paid to directors in the year totalled £1,335 (2012 - £1,271) being £Nil (2012 - £nil) for LM Thomson, £66 (2012 - £60) for AF Thomson and £1,269 (2012 - £1,209) for CHW Thomson.

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Notes to the accounts (continued)

6	Taxation	2013 £	2012 £
	Corporation tax		
	Current year	72,568	-
	Prior year adjustment	-	(11,734)
		<u>72,568</u>	<u>(11,734)</u>
	Profit per accounts	<u>773,060</u>	<u>248,108</u>
	Tax @ 23% (2012 - 24%)	177,804	59,546
	Being effects of:		
	Franked investment income	(69,759)	(68,853)
	Chargeable gain	(27,328)	-
	Losses carried forward	(8,919)	9,307
	Change in tax rate	770	-
	Adjustment in respect of previous period	-	(11,734)
		<u>72,568</u>	<u>(11,734)</u>

7	Investments	Listed in UK £
	<i>At cost</i>	
	At 31 December 2012	2,883,109
	Add - Purchases	157,415
	Less - Disposals	(125,796)
	At 31 December 2013	<u>2,914,728</u>
	The market value of the investments:	
	At 31 December 2013	<u>10,000,961</u>
	At 31 December 2012	<u>8,829,169</u>

If the company investments were sold at their market value there would be a liability of approximately £1,175,000 (2012 - £1,160,000) to corporation tax on the gains which arise.

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Notes to the accounts (continued)

8	Debtors	2013	2012
		£	£
	Dividend income	<u>30,334</u>	<u>24,370</u>
9	Creditors		
	Amounts falling due within one year:		
	Other creditors	2,160	2,100
	Corporation tax	72,568	-
		<u>74,728</u>	<u>2,100</u>
10	Share capital		
	Allotted, called up and fully paid		
	11,400 Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>11,400</u>	<u>11,400</u>
11	Reserves		£
	Capital reserve		
	At 31 December 2012		2,190,922
	Release from profit and loss account		419,395
	At 31 December 2013		<u>2,610,317</u>
	Profit and loss account		
	At 31 December 2012		1,018,289
	Profit for the financial year		700,492
	Release to capital reserve		(419,395)
	Dividends paid		(249,432)
	At 31 December 2013		<u>1,049,954</u>

The distributable reserves of the company are £1,049,954 (2012 - £1,018,289).

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Notes to the accounts (continued)

12 Reconciliation of movement in shareholders' funds

	2013 £	2012 £
Profit for the financial year	700,492	259,842
Dividend of £21.88 per share (2012 - £20.84)	(249,432)	(237,576)
Net addition to shareholders' funds	451,060	22,266
Opening shareholders' funds	3,220,611	3,198,345
Closing shareholders' funds	3,671,671	3,220,611

13 Reconciliation of profit to net cash inflow from operating activities

	2013 £	2012 £
Profit before taxation	773,060	248,108
Gain on sale of investments	(509,180)	-
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(5,964)	9,827
Increase in other creditors	60	59
Net cash inflow from operating activities	257,976	257,994

14 Related party transactions

William Thomson & Sons which manages the investment portfolio for the company charged a fee of £41,059 (2012 - £40,320) in the year. At the balance sheet date, no amount was due to William Thomson & Sons (2012 - £Nil). Throughout the year the corporate partners of William Thomson & Sons were controlled by the directors of the company.

15 Control

There is no one individual controlling party.