# Company Registration No. 02214224

Mitsubishi Corporation International (Europe) Plc

**Annual Report and Financial Statements** 

For the year ended 31 March 2021

# Annual report and financial statements 2021

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# Annual report and financial statements 2021

# Officers and professional advisers

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## Strategic report

The Directors present their Strategic Report for the year ended 31 March 2021 in accordance with section 414C of the Companies Act 2006.

The principal activities of Mitsubishi Corporation International (Europe) Plc (the company) are those of trading in a broad range of commodities, industrial and consumer products, and the provision of services, including financing.

#### Review of the business and key performance indicators

The company's key performance indicators include revenue and profit after tax.

Revenue for the year ended 31 March 2021 amounted to £919 million (2020: £3,307 million) and the gross profit percentage was 3.71% (2020: 1.29%). The decrease in revenue was mainly due to the termination of the crude oil trading business toward the end of last financial year. The increase in gross margin was due to higher gross profit margin in metal transactions which continued to perform well during the year by capturing the favorable market conditions. Profit after taxation for the year ended 31 March 2021 amounted to £18.6 million (2020: £16.9 million), including dividend income of £12.1 million (2020: £6.0 million) from the company's European subsidiaries. Although dividend income was higher, the company recognised an impairment loss of £7.3 million (2020: nil) based on the investee company's net asset value net of the dividend distribution and any future liabilities that might arise. Profit after tax increased partly due to lower interest expenses and administration expenses. Interest expenses were reduced by £17.5 million to £2.0 million (2020: £19.5 million) following the termination of crude oil trading in last financial year. Administration expenses were reduced by £3.4 million to £22.4 million (2020: £25.8 million) due to a small reduction in the number of employees and a reduction in business travel and entertaining expenses to reduce risks to employees from the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Other operating income for the current year amounted to £11.1 million which is £5.2 million lower than the previous year. Other operating income comprises service and management fee income, net foreign exchange gains and other income. Service and management fee income decreased by £1.1 million to £10 million for the year. The decrease is due to the re-structure in some trading divisions which reduced the service provided. The company has recognised foreign exchange losses of £4 million (2020: gains of £5.1 million) and mark to market gains on forward contracts of £1.1 million (2020: losses of £0.6 million). Net foreign exchange losses are included within other operating expenses. The total dividend income received during the year including dividends from European subsidiaries and from other investments amounted to £12.1 million (2020: £6.0 million). The increase was mainly due to special dividend income from Mitsubishi International G.m.b.H and Mitsubishi France S.A.S. As mentioned above, an impairment loss of £7.3 million was recognised against Mitsubishi International G.m.b.H. after the dividend distribution.

The inventory holding level, all of which are aluminium, has decreased by approximately £102 million to £188 million as at 31 March 2021 compared to the prior year (2020: increase of £154 million to £290 million). The decrease in aluminium inventory level is mainly due to completion of a one off 'back to back' transaction and tighter inventory control during the year The proportion of current liabilities to current assets is 66% which is lower than the previous year (2020: 79.8%).

Taking into account the disruption caused by the coronavirus pandemic the company has performed well during the year ended 31 March 2021. There was an initial reduction in demand for aluminium at the start of the pandemic but this was short term and overall during the year demand and market conditions for aluminium were strong. The directors expect that the company will continue to perform satisfactorily, although the current favorable market conditions for aluminium are expected to become more normal. The directors remain committed to further strengthening internal controls and compliance to manage the risks to which the company is exposed.

## Principal risks and uncertainties and financial risk management objectives and policies

Due to the nature of the company's trading and business model, it is exposed to various risks, all of which are monitored and controlled. However, these risks could potentially have a material impact on the company's performance. The principal areas of risk relate to credit risk, foreign exchange currency risk, interest rate risk, price risk and liquidity risk. These are discussed below and in more detail in notes 14 and 17 to the financial statements.

### Price risk

Price risk is the risk that commodities that are bought at market price will fall in value before the company has been able to sell them. By the nature of its trading, the company is exposed to price risk. This risk is managed and controlled in different ways. Where possible the company enters into back-to-back transactions so that the buying

## **Strategic report (continued)**

price and selling price are fixed at the same time. Also, for some of the commodities that are traded, there is a commodities exchange market. In this instance commodity futures are bought and sold to hedge physical trading positions.

Further details of commodity price risks are discussed in note 17 Derivative and financial instruments.

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the other party to incur a financial loss. Credit risk primarily arises since trade in most cases requires extending credit to customers, without which many would not trade with the company.

This risk is managed through taking out credit insurance wherever possible and also having rigorous monitoring and investigation carried out by the risk management department.

#### Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The company trades in many products in many countries in different currencies and is exposed to currency risk.

To manage this, the company has established and follows a strict policy of entering into forward exchange contracts to match sales and purchases in different currencies, wherever this risk exists.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is split into two different types of risks - cash flow interest rate risk and fair value interest rate risk. Cash flow interest rate risk is the risk that the future cash flows of financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. As the company has variable rate bank deposits and loans, it is exposed to cash flow interest rate risk.

Fair value interest rate risk is the risk that the value of financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. A significant proportion of activity centres around funding made available to related parties, for which interest is charged at a market rate. Funding for this is borrowed and so a potential risk of movements in interest rates arises on both the borrowing and lending side.

As a matter of policy, risk is managed by ensuring that lending is on the same basis as borrowing so movements on one side are matched by movements on the other side.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the company will have insufficient short-term assets to finance short-term liabilities. The company has significant levels of short-term liabilities so it is open to liquidity risk.

The risk is managed by effective cash management and continual monitoring of short-term funding requirements and an enhanced risk management system to identify any potential problems early with the realisation of liquid assets. The company also has quick access to short-term funding from group sources.

The use of derivatives is governed by the company's policies approved by the board of directors, which provides written principles on the use of financial derivatives. The company wishes to strictly control risk positions that are taken. All significant foreign exchange risk should be hedged. Where price risk occurs this needs to be within preapproved limits and the company will use futures to hedge that exposure. The overall position is constantly monitored to ensure adherence to agreed limits.

#### Covid-19

The coronavirus outbreak (COVID-19) has created significant disruption to global economies and markets. The directors of the company recognise that the pandemic presents risks to the company's employees, customers and suppliers. The directors have put in place policies and procedures to control and mitigate those risks so that the company is able to continue to service its customers and wider stakeholders while prioritising the health and wellbeing of the company's employees. The directors continue to monitor the guidance being provided by the relevant health and government authorities and update the company's policies and procedures. The directors have prepared the company's budget plan and cash and borrowing forecasts considering the ongoing pandemic to assess the financial and business related effects of COVID-19. The company has not experienced a significant impact on its financial performance during the year. The company's business departments worked with their customers to help customers to manage their inventory, cash flow and credit risk during the initial phase of the pandemic when there was a reduction in demand. Demand for aluminium recovered and sales revenue and profitability remained resilient.

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Administrative expenses were reduced due to policies to limit travel and entertaining. Borrowings are expected to be relatively stable during the next 12 months. Further details are discussed in note 1 to the financial statements under the heading "Going concern".

#### **Brexit**

The UK formally left the European Union (EU) on 31 January 2020 and ceased to be an EU member state on that date. On 24 December 2020, the UK and EU reached an agreement on the terms for a future relationship from the end of the transition period on 31 December 2020. The agreement focused primarily on providing tariff and quota free trading of goods, and provided for a significant level of openness for trade in services and investment. The UK's future relationship with the EU is subject to ongoing negotiations.

The company's trading divisions assessed the implications of the UK's withdrawal from the EU on their business. The withdrawal had a limited impact on the company overall. The Metals division has significant volumes of aluminium and copper imported into the EU but low volumes of cross border movements between the UK and EU. Fiscal arrangements were amended in EU countries where necessary to ensure that the company could benefit from the same or similar import regulations to those available to EU businesses.

The company will continue to monitor announcements from the UK and EU and consider any further implications that may affect the company's business.

#### Section 172 statement and stakeholder engagement

The board of directors (the "Board") are fully aware of their duty under Section 172 of the Companies Act 2006 to act in good faith to promote the success of the company for the benefit of its shareholder but having regard amongst other matters to the following:

- the likely consequences of any decision in the long term;
- the interests of the company's employees;
- the need to foster the company's business relationships with clients, investors, regulators and others;
- the impact of the company's operations on the community and the environment;
- the desirability of the company maintaining a reputation for high standards of business conduct; and
- the need to act fairly as between members of the company.

The company is a subsidiary of Mitsubishi Corporation ("MC"), the immediate and ultimate parent company. Ownership is detailed in note 19.

The company's strategy is aligned to Regional and Corporate strategies of MC and the day-to-day execution is monitored and tracked by the Board, Executive Committee and senior management team. The Board believes governance of the company is best achieved by delegation of its authority to the Executive Committee, subject to defined limits and monitoring by the Board.

The company comprises a number of business divisions and corporate departments, all of which have extensive engagement with their own unique stakeholders as well as other businesses within the Mitsubishi Corporation Group. The governance framework delegates authority for local decision-making at business division and department level (up to defined levels of cost). This allows the individual divisions and departments to enter into open and transparent dialogue with key stakeholders to develop a clear understanding of their needs which are taken into account in our decision-making. As part of that decision making process, the individual business divisions and corporate departments together with the Executive Committee are able to consider the potential impact of decisions on relevant stakeholders with the Executive Committee taking into consideration a longer-term view and holding themselves to the highest standards of conduct in line with the company's Corporate Code of Conduct.

Reports are regularly made by the Executive Committee to the Board about strategy, performance and key decisions taken, which provides the Board with assurance that proper consideration is given to stakeholder interests in decision making by the Executive Committee and allows the Board to develop a clear understanding of stakeholder needs, assess their perspectives and monitor their impact on the company's strategic ambition and culture.

During the year the Board has considered its duties under section 172 and how it fulfils its obligations thereof in respect to the following key stakeholder groups:

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#### Shareholder

As a wholly owned subsidiary of Mitsubishi Corporation, we rely on the support of our shareholder and its opinions are important to us. We have an open dialogue with our shareholder through one-to-one meetings and group meetings which routinely involve our Seconded Directors, and the interests of our shareholder are regularly heard in the boardroom. Discussions with our shareholder cover a wide range of topics including financial performance, strategy, vision, governance and ethical practices.

We work directly with our shareholder and fellow Mitsubishi Corporation group companies to maximise opportunities presented by them. Following the implementation by Mitsubishi Corporation of an internal reorganisation of business groups in order to enhance business creation capabilities the directors made changes to the structure and composition of the company's business divisions.

## **Employees**

The company is aware that our people are our most important asset and are essential for the success of the company. By managing talent, strengthening employee engagement and enabling employees to build their skills and capabilities, the company promotes a high performance culture. The company is committed to providing a working environment in which all employees are treated fairly. The company focuses on respect, the highest standards of professional behaviour and rejects all forms of discrimination. The company promotes effective employee communications and undertakes employee engagement surveys to get feedback on matters of importance to employees. The company has engaged with employees during the year with the following initiatives.

- Working in partnership with our employees the company held regular employee feedback surveys, where
  employees are encouraged to give feedback on how well the company performs in a number of
  areas. Listening to employees is an important part of how we can maintain employee engagement and tailor
  our future plans. Employees can also provide feedback through the employee consultation forum that
  communicates with senior management several times a year.
- Training & Development –the company reviewed the training needs of employees and updated its
  development programmes to cater for standard training requirements and professional qualifications. The
  company takes employee engagement seriously and supports overseas career development opportunities to
  support employee development which also includes mentoring opportunities.
- Employee driven social educational activities to promote and support team working happen through organised events on a regular basis.
- From the week commencing 16 March 2020, the Board made the decision to require that the Company's employees work from home in order to reduce their risk of exposure to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Most staff have company laptop PCs and they were able to access the company's IT systems from their home. The flexible working and working from home measures have been in place throughout the year to support government guidance and national efforts to stop the spread of the virus.
- The company creates easy access to all employee communications via the internal intranet, employee presentations and e-mail updates. This has been used heavily with the proactive approach the Board has taken through the COVID-19 pandemic, with regular news updates, health and safety advice, monthly update meetings by video conference, employee surveys to gather insight into employees situations and concerns. This will be taken into account when the Board considers the next phase.

## **Suppliers, Customers and Business Contacts**

The company is a subsidiary of Mitsubishi Corporation, a general trading company headquartered in Japan. Trading companies operate by facilitating trade between suppliers and customers utilising their worldwide network of subsidiaries. The company trades in a variety of commodities and works with investment companies across a range of business sectors. The company recognises the importance of building strong relationships with its suppliers, customers and business contacts to develop mutually beneficial and lasting partnerships. The Board, through the Executive Committee, ensures it has visibility over these key relationships and takes these into account when making decisions.

The company is committed to maintaining a reputation of high standards of business conduct and strives to ensure that our business activities do not cause or contribute to adverse human rights impacts, including modern slavery. We share our commitments with key third-party partners to ensure that the goods and services we benefit from do not cause or contribute to modern slavery. During the year, the Board updated the Modern Slavery Statement which sets out the steps the

## **Strategic report (continued)**

company has taken to mitigate the risks of modern slavery in our operations and supply chains. In FY2020 a second company-wide Modern Slavery Risk Assessment was carried out where value chains were mapped out across all business groups to identify potentially vulnerable workforces and high risk areas. We continued to promote our own modern slavery guidance toolkit to ensure that potential third-party partners are assessed against a range of criteria related to human rights as part of our due diligence process for new business relationships. We also continued to provide modern slavery and human rights training to various employee groups at the board, management and operational levels to refresh and further refine their knowledge. In addition, the company conducted a gap analysis against the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. Further details are contained in the Modern Slavery Statement on the company's website. The company promotes a responsible payment culture and publishes its payment practices report in due time.

#### Community and the environment

The company is aligned to MC's Three Corporate Principles – Corporate Responsibility to Society; Integrity and Fairness; and Global Understanding through Business. These principles are at the heart of the company and they have served as MC's core philosophy since its inception. Building upon the foundation of these three principles, "Standards of Conduct" establish the group's expectations with regard to how business should be conducted, together with the "Code of Conduct" which provides guidance to all officers and employees within the group to comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations, international standards, and to act in a socially responsible manner by complying with the highest ethical standards in the conduct of their business.

MC recognizes that an enterprise with global reach cannot continue to exist without consideration for its environmental and social performance. Therefore, MC strives to preserve the global environment and pursues sustainable development through all aspects of its business activities, by maintaining communication with various stakeholders, and taking the initiative in creating a sustainable society.

The company also conducts its business in accordance with this philosophy and strives to generate societal and environmental value by addressing key sustainability issues through its wide-ranging business activities. The company seeks to make a positive impact to the communities and environment it operates in. The company also endeavours to grow together with local and international communities in order to make lasting contributions to building truly prosperous, sustainable societies around the world. With this in mind, the company is engaged in a wide range of philanthropic and community support initiatives in fields such as education, culture and the arts, environmental conservation and public welfare, primarily through a UK registered charitable foundation, the Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe and Africa (MCFEA). Since it was established in 1992, The MCFEA has been engaging with a range of partner organisations throughout Europe and Africa to support projects that align with its central aims: the promotion of environmental conservation; the support of environmentally focused education and research: and the alleviation of poverty. Further details are contained in the MCFEA section on the company's website.

The company also proactively support the involvement of our employees in numerous volunteer programmes and initiatives, including through its Charity of the Year programme, which raises money for an employee nominated charity through fundraising activities.

In addition to the above during the past fiscal year, the company supported NHS Charities Together, a charitable entity representing the work of the NHS' official charities, to support COVID-19 related activities during the early stages of the pandemic

#### Tax authorities and Regulators

The company aims to establish and maintain transparent, collaborative and professional relationships with tax authorities and regulators. The company expects the highest standards of integrity from our officers and employees and seeks to comply with relevant tax legislation and regulations in the countries we operate. Further details are contained in the Tax Strategy for Mitsubishi Corporation Group's UK Companies on the company's website.

The company has a number of policies in place which are under regular review and consideration and are approved by the Board. These include legal and compliance-related policies on: Anti-Money Laundering, Cartel Prevention, Improper Payments, Legal Risk Management, Data Protection and Hotline Rules. In addition to publishing these policies for employees, the company holds annual e-learning sessions for the code of conduct and seminars where required for staff which include training on the policies.

The company is also accredited as an Authorised Economic Operator (AEO), an internationally recognised quality mark that states our role in the international customs supply chain is compliant and secure. The accreditation verifies

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that the company's internal customs controls and procedures are efficient and compliant to the authorities recommended standards. Other benefits include access to simplified customs procedures and financial guarantee allowances. The company has a customs and supply chain policy and customs handbook that cover the required controls that meet AEO standards, in addition provides ad-hoc training to the relevant administrators that handle customs related functions.

## Streamlined Energy and Carbon Report (SECR)

#### Organisational Structure

Mitsubishi Corporation International (Europe) Plc is classified as a large unquoted company due to its turnover and balance sheet total.

## Reporting Period

The company is reporting for the fiscal year ended 31 March 2021. This is the second year that this reporting is required.

## Measurement Methodology

The energy and carbon footprint covers Scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions from 01 April 2020 - 31 March 2021 for the reporting year.

The footprint is calculated in accordance with Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Protocol. Outputs are in KWh and CO2e using the most up to date conversion factors from the UK Government GHG Conversion Factors for Company Reporting.

## **Energy Performance Results**

Energy Use (kWh)	2021	2020
Company Vehicle Transport Energy	5,556	30,385
Transport Energy Company Purchased Fuel	38	901
Electricity	557,141	765,596
Total	562,735	796,882

#### **Carbon Performance Results**

Carbon Dioxide Equivalent Emissions (t CO2e)	2021	2020
Scope 1 emissions from the combustion of fuel for transport purposes	1.31	7.21
Scope 2 emissions from purchased electricity	129.89	195.69
Scope 3 emissions from business travel in rental or employee- owned vehicles	0.01	0.32
Total	131.21	203.22

## **Intensity Ratio**

Reporting Boundary kg CO <sub>2</sub> e/m <sup>2</sup>	2021	2020
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## **Energy Efficiency Action**

This has been an unprecedented year. In line with government guidance at the time, the company started to work from home from 24th March 2020, and then followed any changes brought in by government. Under the circumstances, no energy saving projects have been undertaken. All reductions are due to the circumstances of reduced office occupation, and travel.

#### **Future developments**

As mentioned in the business review, aluminium business has performed well and market conditions for aluminium remain favorable, the directors do not anticipate significant changes in the business in the near future. Though the coronavirus pandemic continues to present risks the pandemic has not had a significant effect on the company's performance. The directors are confident in maintaining the company's performance.

The company has a close relationship with its parent company and follows the group's strategic plan whenever possible. The company will continue to take up new challenges and adapt to changes which best suit the group's development plan. It is considered that the company is in a good position to deal with these challenges. Internal controls that identify and manage risk exposures and good relationships with customers will continue to be fundamental management tools in the day-to-day business operations.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed by order of the Board

Y Katayama

Managing Director

31 August 2021

## **Directors' report**

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021.

#### **Directors**

The current directors are shown on page 1. The directors who served throughout the year, except as noted, and up to the date of this report were:

Y Katayama (appointed 1 April 2020)

C Tanno (appointed 10 November 2020)

T Ota (resigned 10 November 2020)

K Fukuhara (resigned 1 October 2020)

M Pratt

A Fraser

J Rogers

There are no qualifying indemnities in place in respect of the Directors.

#### **Dividends**

The directors have recommended and paid a dividend of £17.0 million during the year (2020: £6.0 million). No further dividends have been proposed or declared post year end.

#### Financial risk management objectives and policies and future prospects

Details of the company's financial risk management objectives and policies and future prospects can be found within the principal risks and uncertainties and financial risk management objectives and policies section of the Strategic Report and form part of this report by cross-reference.

### Section 172 (1) Companies Act 2006 Statement

The Section 172 (1) Companies Act 2006 Statement is discussed in the strategic report under the heading "Section 172 statement and stakeholder engagement".

## **Future developments**

Future developments are discussed in the strategic report under the heading "Future developments".

## Going concern

The directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The coronavirus pandemic continues to present risks to global economies but the impact on the company's performance has not been significant. The directors have put in place policies and procedures to control and mitigate those risks so that the company is able to continue its operations while prioritising the health and wellbeing of the company's employees. The directors have undertaken a review of company's budget plan and cash and borrowing forecasts to assess the financial and business related effects of COVID-19.

The company has strong risk management and treasury functions to oversee the current trading environment to minimise the impact of such risks. In addition, the company has financing sources both from the group as well as third party banks. Accordingly, the company continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in note 1 to the financial statements.

#### Auditor

Each of the persons who is a director at the date of approval of this report confirms that:

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware;
- the director has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of section 418 of the Companies Act 2006.

# **Directors' report (Continued)**

Deloitte LLP have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditor and a resolution to reappoint them will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed by order of the Board

Y Katayama

Managing Director

31 August 2021

# **Directors' responsibilities statement**

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

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law), including FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework". Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

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

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

# Independent auditor's report to the members of Mitsubishi Corporation International (Europe) Plc

#### Report on the audit of the financial statements

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements of Mitsubishi Corporation International (Europe) Plc (the 'company'):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2021 and of its profit for the year then ended:
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, including Financial Reporting Standard 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework"; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements which comprise:

- the income statement and statement of comprehensive income;
- the balance sheet;
- the statement of changes in equity; and
- the related notes 1 to 22.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report.

We are independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the Financial Reporting Council's (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

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.

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 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.

### 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.

### Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

## Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

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

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below.

We considered the nature of the company's industry and its control environment, and reviewed the company's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to fraud and compliance with laws and regulations. We also enquired of management and internal audit about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities.

We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that the company operates in, and identified the key laws and regulations that:

- had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. These included the UK Companies Act and Tax legislation; and
- do not have a direct effect on the financial statements but compliance with which may be fundamental to the company's ability to operate or to avoid a material penalty.

We discussed among the audit engagement team including relevant internal specialists such as financial instruments and IT specialists regarding the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud and how and where fraud might occur in the financial statements.

As a result of performing the above, we identified the greatest potential for fraud in the following area, and our specific procedures performed to address it are described below:

• Presumed revenue significant risk – revenue recognition cut-off. We presume a risk of material misstatement due to fraud related to revenue recognition and have therefore identified a significant audit risk around the cut-off of revenue. As the company enters into significant transactions throughout the year, including around period ends, there is a risk is that revenue transactions are not recorded in the correct period. Such errors would impact revenue, inventory and trade debtors. We have performed testing of the design and implementation, and operating effectiveness of the controls relevant to the revenue process. We have also performed substantive testing procedures to address the revenue cut-off assertion as at the financial year end.

In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are also required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override. In addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, we tested the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments; assessed whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias; and evaluated the business rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.

In addition to the above, our procedures to respond to the risks identified included the following:

- reviewing financial statement disclosures by testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with provisions of relevant laws and regulations described as having a direct effect on the financial statements;
- performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud:
- enquiring of management, internal audit and in-house legal counsel concerning actual and potential litigation and claims, and instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations; and
- reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance and reviewing internal audit reports.

### Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

#### 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.

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

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

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report in respect of the following matters if, in our opinion:

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

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

## 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.

Kevin Thompson (Senior statutory auditor)

Verin Thoupson

For and on behalf of Deloitte LLP

Statutory Auditor

London, United Kingdom

31 August 2021

# **Income statement and Statement of comprehensive income For the year ended 31 March 2021**

	Notes	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Revenue	1, 2	919,275	3,307,245
Cost of sales		(885,129)	(3,264,515)
Gross profit		34,146	42,730
Other operating income	4	11,140	16,362
Administrative expenses		(22,394)	(25,838)
Other operating expenses		(4,268)	(708)
Operating profit		18,624	32,546
Dividend income from shares in group undertakings	6	12,071	6,039
Impairment of fixed asset investment	12	(7,300)	-
Interest income	7	246	689
Interest expense	8	(2,038)	(19,532)
Profit before taxation		21,603	19,742
Tax	9	(3,038)	(2,763)
Profit for the financial year attributable to owners of the Company	5	18,565	16,979
Losses arising on available for sale financial assets during the year		(1)	-
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to the owners of the Company		18,564	16,979

All the results shown in the Profit and loss account derive from continuing operations in both the current and prior years. The notes on pages 19 to 53 form part of these financial statements.

# Balance sheet As at 31 March 2021

	Notes	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Non-current assets	10	117	144
Intangible assets Property, plant and equipment	II	4,079	4,078
Investments	12	55,532	62,829
Derivative assets	17	25,532	308
Deferred tax assets	9	1,974	2,313
Other non-current assets	14	7,788	9,378
		69,492	79,050
Current assets			
Inventories	13	188,052	289,928
Trade and other receivables	14	160,362	210,777
Derivative assets	17	9,817	66,253
Cash and cash equivalents		903	365
		359,134	567,323
Current liabilities			
Bank loans and overdrafts	15	(86)	(548)
Trade and other payables	15	(204,271)	(438,584)
Derivative liabilities	17	(32,594)	(13,708)
Deferred income	15	(50)	(41)
		(237,001)	(452,881)
Net current assets		122,133	114,442
Total assets less current liabilities		191,625	193,492
Non-current liabilities			
Derivative liabilities	17	(1)	(181)
Lease liabilities and other creditors	15	(18,228)	(21,479)
		(18,229)	(21,660)
Net assets		173,396	171,832
Equity			
Share capital	16	120,658	120,658
Share premium	16	33,665	33,665
Revaluation reserve	16	10.072	17.506
Profit and loss account	16	19,073	17,506
Equity attributable to owners of the company		173,396	171,832

The financial statements of Mitsubishi Corporation International (Europe) Plc registered number 02214224 were approved by the Board of Directors on 31 August 2021.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors

Y Katayania Managing Director

# Statement of changes in equity For the year ended 31 March 2021

	Notes	Called up share capital £'000	Share premium £'000	Revaluation reserve £'000	Profit and loss account £'000	Total £'000
Balance at 1 April 2019		120,658	33,665	3	6,527	160,853
Profit for the year	<u>-</u>	-		<u> </u>	16,979	16,979
Total comprehensive income for the year		120,658	33,665	3	23,506	177,832
Dividends	21	-	-	-	(6,000)	(6,000)
Balance at 31 March 2020	-	120,658	33,665	3	17,506	171,832
Balance at 1 April 2020		120,658	33,665	3	17,506	171,832
Profit for the year Other comprehensive		-	-	-	18,565	18,565
income/(expense) for the year		-	-	(3)	2	(1)
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the year	-		-	(3)	18,567	18,564
Dividends		-	-	-	(17,000)	(17,000)
Balance at 31March 2021		120,658	33,665	-	19,073	173,396

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

#### 1. General information and accounting policies

#### a) General information

Mitsubishi Corporation International (Europe) Plc is incorporated in England, the United Kingdom under the Companies Act. The company is a public company limited by shares and the address of the registered office is given on page 1. The nature of the company's operations and its principal activities are set out in the Strategic Report on pages 2 to 8.

The company meets the definition of a qualifying entity under Financial Reporting Standard 100 'Application of Financial Reporting Requirements' issued by the Financial Reporting Council (FRC). Accordingly, these financial statements were prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework'.

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for the revaluation of certain financial instruments and inventories that are measured at revalued amounts or fair values at the end of each reporting period, as explained in the accounting policies below. Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for the goods and services.

#### Adoption of new and revised Standards

### Amendments to IFRSs that are mandatorily effective for the current year

In the current year, the company has applied the following amendment to IFRSs issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) that are mandatorily effective for an accounting period that begins on or after 1 January 2020. Their adoption has not had any material impact on the disclosures or on the amounts reported in these financial statements.

Impact of the initial application of Interest Rate Benchmark Reform amendments to IFRS 9 and IFRS 7

Impact of the initial application of COVID-19-Related Rent Concessions Amendment to IFRS 16

## Impact of initial application of other amendments to IFRS Standards and Interpretations

In the current year, the company has applied the below amendments to IFRS Standards and Interpretations issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) that are effective for an annual period that begins on or after 1 January 2020. Their adoption has not had any material impact on the disclosures or on the amounts reported in these financial statements.

Amendments to References to the Conceptual Framework in IFRS Standards	The company has adopted the amendments included in Amendments to References to the Conceptual Framework in IFRS Standards for the first time in the current year. The amendments include consequential amendments to affected Standards so that they refer to the new Framework. Not all amendments, however, update those pronouncements with regard to references to and quotes from the Framework so that they refer to the revised Conceptual Framework. Some pronouncements are only updated to indicate which version of the Framework they are referencing to (the IASC Framework adopted by the IASB in 2001, the IASB Framework of 2010, or the new revised Framework of 2018) or to indicate that definitions in the Standard have not been updated with the new definitions developed in the revised Conceptual Framework.  The standard which are amended are IFRS 2, IFRS 3, IFRS 6, IFRS 14, IAS 1, IAS 8, IAS 34, IAS 37, IAS 38, IFRIC 12, IFRIC 19, IFRIC 20, IFRIC 22, and SIC-32.
Amendments to IAS 1 and IAS 8	The company has adopted the amendments to IAS 1 and IAS 8 for the first
Definition of material	time in the current year. The amendments make the definition of material in IAS 1 easier to understand and are not intended to alter the underlying concept of materiality in IFRS Standards. The concept of 'obscuring'

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

material information with immaterial information has been included as part of the new definition.
The threshold for materiality influencing users has been changed from 'could influence' to 'could reasonably be expected to influence'.

### b) Significant accounting policies

The significant accounting policies are summarised below. They have all been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year.

#### **Group financial statements**

These financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group. Consolidated financial statements have not been prepared as the company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mitsubishi Corporation, a company incorporated in Japan and so is therefore exempt by virtue of s401 of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirement to prepare and deliver group financial statements.

## Cash flow statement and disclosure exemptions

As permitted by FRS101, the company has taken advantage of the disclosure exemptions available under that standard in relation to presentation of a cash flow statement, standards not yet effective, presentation of comparative information in respect of certain assets, certain disclosure in respect of revenue from contracts with customers, lease accounting, impairment of assets and related party transactions. Where required, equivalent disclosures are given in the group financial statements of Mitsubishi Corporation which are available to the public and can be obtained as set out in note 19.

#### Going concern

As discussed in the Review of the business and key performance indicators in the Strategic Report, the company has continued to perform reasonably well given the difficult market conditions for commodities during the year ended 31 March 2021 . The company has a strong balance sheet with positive net current assets as at 31 March 2021 of £122.1 million (2020: £114.4 million) and shareholders' equity of £173.4 million (2020: £171.8 million). The company has financing sources both from the group as well as third party banks. The total borrowings of the company as at 31 March 2021 of £147.5 million (2020: £385.2 million), details explained below and in note 15, are short-term facilities, mainly borrowings from a group financing company, Mitsubishi Corporation Finance Plc.

These are matched to a large extent against the aggregate of cash and cash equivalents of £0.9 million (2020: £0.36 million), trade receivables of £114.3 million (2020: £160.2 million) (see note 14), amounts receivable from other group companies of £28 million (2020: £37.1 million) (see note 14) which are on terms similar to the borrowings and inventories of £188 million (2020: £290 million) (see note 13), a large portion of which relates to commodities that are traded on international exchanges and therefore considered to be liquid and easily convertible to cash.

The coronavirus outbreak (COVID-19) has created significant disruption to global economies and the pandemic presents risks to the company's employees, customers and suppliers. The directors have put in place policies and procedures to control and mitigate those risks so that the company is able to continue its operations while prioritising the health and wellbeing of the company's employees. The company has strong risk management and treasury functions to oversee the current trading environment to minimise the impact of such risks. The company has prepared its budget plan for the next 12 months considering any material financial and business related effects of the ongoing pandemic. The directors do not expect a significant impact on the company's financial performance during the next 12 months.

The impact of COVID-19 has also been considered by the company in its review of cash balances and borrowings for the next 12 months. Cash and cash equivalents were £0.9 million as at 31 March 2021. Short-term bank borrowings were £0.1 million and intercompany creditors, mainly borrowings from a group financing company, Mitsubishi Corporation Finance Plc, were £147.5 million. Total borrowings are expected to be relatively stable during the next 12 months.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

The company has current and uncommitted bank borrowings and facilities including the facility from Mitsubishi Corporation Finance Plc of £2,049 million as at 31 March 2021. The facility from Mitsubishi Corporation Finance Plc is for a one year term renewing automatically on each anniversary. The facility will expire and be due for renewal during the next 12 months. The directors have gained assurances that the facility will be provided if needed, for at least 12 months from the date of signing the financial statements. The bank facilities will also expire and be due for renewal during the next 12 months. The directors have a reasonable expectation that adequate borrowing facilities will continue to be available to the company.

Based on the above factors, and after making enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the company continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and financial statements.

#### **Intangible assets**

Software assets are valued at cost on acquisition and are amortised in equal annual amounts over their useful economic lives, estimated to be approximately three years. Amortisation expenses are recognised within administration expenses in profit and loss. Provision is made for any impairment.

#### Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any provision for impairment. Depreciation is provided against cost in equal annual instalments over the estimated useful life of the asset on a straight-line basis. Office equipment has an estimated useful life of four years and IT equipment has an estimated useful life of three years. Vehicles and furniture, fixtures & fittings have an estimated useful life of four years.

A tangible fixed asset is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset.

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 profit and loss.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated over the shorter period of the lease term and the useful life of the underlying asset.

#### **Inventories**

Inventories except aluminium are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost represents invoiced price together with, as appropriate, directly related overheads. Cost is calculated using the weighted average method. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and cost to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution. Provision is made for obsolete, slow-moving or defective items where appropriate.

All aluminium inventories are valued at fair value less costs to sell. This is determined at the quoted price of aluminium at the London Metal Exchange (LME) at the balance sheet date, plus the approximate market premium/discount published by *Metal Bulletin* at that date adjusted to take account of location of inventory. Location factors are determined based on actual transport costs incurred.

## Revenue recognition

Revenue represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, net of trade discounts, VAT and other sales-related taxes. Revenue is recognised at the point where control of the goods has transferred, being when the goods have been shipped to the specific location instructed by the customers. Following delivery, the customer has full discretion over the manner of distribution and price to sell the goods, has the primary responsibility when onselling the goods and bears the risks of loss in relation to the goods. A receivable is recognised by the company when the goods are delivered to the customer as this represents the point in time at which the right to consideration becomes unconditional, as only the passage of time is required before payment is due.

For those transactions where the company is to provide the specified goods or services itself, revenue is recognised as principal. Where the company is to arrange for another party to provide those goods and services and the company acts as either agent or broker then only the commission receivable is recorded as revenue.

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The company has previously accounted for all its revenue streams in line with IFRS 15. However, in March 2019, IFRS Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) published a paper where they clarified that IFRS 9 must be applied to "contracts to buy or sell a non-financial item that can be settled net in cash or another financial instrument, or by exchanging financial instruments, as if those contracts were financial instruments (IFRS9.2.4)", with one exception; the 'own use scope exception' in paragraph 2.4 of IFRS 9.

This requirement to adopt IFRS 9 for contracts defined above applies to the company as some of the company's revenue streams include firm commitment contracts relating to the sales of metal commodities in the future. The company also has a revenue stream relating to the gain on the revaluation/derivative gain/loss from these firm commitments if the contract is made before the year-end but the actual delivery of these underlying physical metal commodities is after the year end. Thus, in line with the IFRIC guidance, revenue from such contracts should now be accounted for under IFRS 9, rather than under IFRS 15 as has previously been done for metal commodities transactions as mentioned above. The impact of the change is that the unrealised gain on the revaluation/derivative gain/loss at 31 March 2021 is reclassified from Cost of Sales to Sales.

The company has not re-instated the revenue comparative for prior year as the impact is not material and there is no impact to gross profit.

#### Other income

Interest income is recognised 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 cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to that asset's net carrying amount.

Other operating income consists mainly of fees charged for non-trading services which are recognised over time where the customer receives and consumes the benefits provided by the entity.

Dividend income from investments is recognised when the company's right to receive payment has been established.

#### Foreign exchange

The company's financial statements are presented in pounds sterling which is the currency of the primary economic environment in which it operates and is deemed to be its functional currency.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies have been translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rates prevailing on the dates of the transactions. Resulting differences on translation are charged or credited to profit and loss.

In order to hedge its exposure to certain foreign exchange risks the company enters into forward contracts. See below for details of the company policy on such derivatives and financial instruments.

#### Leases

The company has applied IFRS 16 from 1 April 2019, details of accounting policies are presented below.

#### The company as lessee

The company assesses whether a contract is or contains a lease, at inception of the contract. The company recognises a right-of-use asset and a corresponding lease liability with respect to all lease arrangements in which it is the lessee, except for short-term leases (defined as leases with a lease term of 12 months or less) and leases of low value assets (such as tablets and personal computers, small items of office furniture and telephones). For these leases, the company recognises the lease payments as an operating expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease unless another systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which economic benefits from the leased assets are consumed.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted by using the rate implicit in the lease. If this rate cannot be readily determined, the company uses its incremental borrowing rate.

The lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise of the fixed lease payments, less any lease incentives receivable.

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The lease liability is presented as a separate line in the balance sheet.

The lease liability is subsequently measured by increasing the carrying amount to reflect interest on the lease liability (using the effective interest method) and by reducing the carrying amount to reflect the lease payments made.

The company remeasures the lease liability (and makes a corresponding adjustment to the related right-of-use asset) whenever there is a significant change in the lease term.

The company did not make any such adjustments during the periods presented.

The right-of-use assets comprise the initial measurement of the corresponding lease liability, lease payments made at or before the commencement day, less any lease incentives received and any initial direct costs. They are subsequently measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Whenever the company incurs an obligation for costs to dismantle and remove a leased asset, restore the site on which it is located or restore the underlying asset to the condition required by the terms and conditions of the lease, a provision is recognised and measured under IAS 37. To the extent that the costs relate to a right-of-use asset, the costs are included in the related right-of-use asset, unless those costs are incurred to produce inventories.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated over the shorter period of lease term and useful life of the underlying asset. The depreciation starts at the commencement date of the lease.

The right-of-use assets are presented within the tangible fixed assets line in the balance sheet.

The company applies IAS 36 to determine whether a right-of-use asset is impaired and accounts for any identified impairment loss as described in the 'impairment of tangible and intangible assets' policy.

#### The company as lessor

The company enters into sublease agreements as a lessor with respect to its office head leases.

Leases for which the company is a lessor are classified as finance or operating leases. Whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee, the contract is classified as a finance lease. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

When the company is an intermediate lessor, it accounts for the head lease and the sub-lease as two separate contracts. The sub-lease is classified as a finance or operating lease by reference to the right-of-use asset arising from the head lease.

Rental income from operating leases is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

### **Pension costs**

The company has a defined contribution schemes and the amount charged to profit and loss in respect of pension costs and other post-retirement benefits is the contribution payable 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.

#### **Taxation**

Current tax, including UK corporation tax and foreign tax, is provided at the amounts expected to be paid using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date. The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from net profit as reported in the income statement because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible. The Company's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

Deferred tax is the tax expected to be payable or recoverable on 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 and 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

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not recognised if the temporary difference arises from the initial recognition of other assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the taxable profit nor 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 assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset is realised based on tax laws and rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is charged or credited in profit and loss, except when it relates to items charged or credited in other comprehensive income, in which case the deferred tax is also dealt with in other comprehensive income.

Deferred 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 related to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the company intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

#### **Financial instruments**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised in the company's balance sheet when it becomes a principal party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are measured initially at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Trade receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

In relation to the impairment of trade receivables, IFRS 9 requires an expected credit loss model as opposed to an incurred credit loss model under IAS 39. The expected credit loss model requires the company to account for expected credit losses and changes in those expected credit losses at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition of the financial assets. In other words, it is no longer necessary for a credit event to have occurred before credit losses are recognised.

The company has assessed the lifetime expected credit losses for its trade receivables as required and permitted under IFRS 9, and identified no material impact to the trade receivables amount due to the robust and comprehensive credit risk management procedure as describe in note 14.

Investments are stated at cost less any provision for impairment in all cases where the ultimate holding company holds a majority stake, as the company has no control of the cash flows or the eventual selling price. All other investments, including investments held as current assets, are classified as available-for-sale and are stated at fair value except where the directors are of the opinion that the variability in the range of reasonable fair value measurements for the company's shares in these undertakings is significant and the probabilities of the various estimates within the range cannot be reasonably assessed, in which case the investment is stated at cost less provisions for impairment as an approximation to fair value. Changes in fair value are recognised in other comprehensive income, until the investment is disposed of or is determined to be impaired, at which time the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in other comprehensive income is included in the net profit or loss for the period. Provisions for impairment are recognised in profit and loss.

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash and demand 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.

Interest bearing bank loans and overdrafts are recorded as the proceeds are received, net of direct issue costs. Finance charges, including premiums payable on settlement or redemption and direct issue costs, are accounted for on an accruals basis in profit and loss using the effective interest rate method and are added to the carrying amount of the instrument to the extent that they are not settled in the period in which they arise.

Trade payables are measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

Equity instruments issued by the company are recorded when the proceeds are received net of direct issue costs.

#### Derivative financial instruments and hedge accounting

The company's activities expose it primarily to the financial risks of changes in price and changes in foreign currency exchange rates. The company uses foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge its foreign exchange exposure and uses futures as traded on the London Metal Exchange to manage against any price risk exposure on its aluminium trading operations. However, the company does not apply hedge accounting under IFRS 9 Financial Instruments for these derivatives used to manage price risk on commodities. The company only uses derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes to a limited extent with board approval.

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value at the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured to their fair value at each balance sheet date. The resulting gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately unless the derivative is designated and effective as a hedging instrument, in which event the timing of the recognition in profit or loss depends on the nature of the hedge relationship. The company designates certain derivatives as hedges of highly probable forecast transactions or hedges of foreign currency risk of firm commitments (cash flow hedges).

A derivative is presented as a non-current asset or a non-current liability if the remaining maturity of the instrument is more than 12 months and it is not expected to be realised or settled within 12 months. Other derivatives are presented as current assets or current liabilities.

#### Hedge accounting

The company designates certain hedging instruments, which include derivatives, as cash flow hedges. Hedges of foreign exchange risk on firm commitments are accounted for as cash flow hedges.

At the inception of the hedge relationship, the entity documents the relationship between the hedging instrument and the hedged item, along with its risk management objectives and its strategy for undertaking the various hedge transactions. Furthermore, at the inception of the hedge and on an ongoing basis the company documents whether the

Hedging instrument that is used in a hedging relationship is highly effective in offsetting changes in cash flows of the hedged item.

Note 17 sets out the details of the fair values of the derivative instruments used for hedging purposes. Movements in the hedging reserve in equity are also detailed in the statement of other comprehensive income.

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges are deferred in equity. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in profit and loss.

Amounts deferred in equity are recycled to profit or loss in the periods when the hedged item is recognised in profit or loss, in the same line of the income statement as the recognised hedged item. However, when the forecast transaction that is hedged results in the recognition of a non-financial asset or a non-financial liability, the gains and losses previously deferred in equity are transferred from equity and included in the initial measurement of the cost of the asset or liability.

Fair value hedges that meet the hedge accounting criteria are accounted for as follows:

- The gain or loss from re-measuring the hedging instrument at fair value is recognised in profit and loss; and
- The carrying amount of the hedged item is adjusted through profit and loss for the gain or loss on the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk.

Hedge accounting is discontinued when the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated or exercised, or no longer qualifies for hedge accounting. At that time, any cumulative gain or loss on the hedging instrument recognised in equity is retained in equity until the forecast transaction occurs. If a hedged transaction is no longer expected to occur, the net cumulative gain or loss recognised in equity is transferred to net profit or loss for the year.

#### b) Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Estimates and assumptions are continually evaluated and are

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based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable and relevant under the circumstances, independent estimates, quoted market prices and common modelling techniques. Actual outcomes could result in a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets or liabilities affected in future periods. 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.

#### Critical judgements in applying the company's accounting policies

The following are the critical judgements, apart from those involving estimations (which are dealt with separately below), that the directors have made in the process of applying the company's accounting policies and that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in financial statements.

## Principal versus agent considerations

The company and its employees undertake a very wide range of business activities. These involve trading in goods on the company's own account and as an intermediary on behalf of others, as well as performing a range of management, treasury and other services on behalf of other Mitsubishi group undertakings.

Management is required to exercise judgement in order to determine to what extent, the company nature of its promise is a performance obligation to provide the specified goods or services itself (the company acting as a principal) or to arrange for the other party to provide those goods and services (the company acting as an agent). Management judgement is also required to determine the specified good or service is a distinct good or service to be provided to the customer. If a contract with a customer includes more than one specified good or service, the company could be a principal for some specified goods or services and an agent for others.

To determine the nature of promise, management considers the detailed guidance set out in IFRS 15 *Revenue from contracts with customers*, identify the specified goods and services to be provided to customer and assess whether it controls each specified good or service before that good or service is transferred to the customer.

## **Key sources of estimation uncertainty**

The key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the balance sheet date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year, are discussed below.

## Fair value measurements

The company has material assets and liabilities which are measured at fair value or fair value less costs to sell, most notably the company's derivatives and aluminium inventories. Fair value measurements are based on the amounts for which the assets and liabilities could be exchanged at the relevant transaction date or reporting period end, and are therefore not necessarily reflective of the likely cash flow upon actual settlements. In almost all cases where fair value accounting is applied the company has chosen not to apply the hedge accounting requirements of IFRS 9 and as a result the full unrealised gains and losses resulting from the revaluation of these assets and liabilities at each reporting date are recognised directly in profit and loss.

Where fair value measurements cannot be derived from publicly available information, they are estimated using models and other valuation methods. To the extent possible, the assumptions and inputs used take into account externally verifiable inputs. However, such information is by nature subject to judgement, particularly where comparable market-based transactions rarely exist. Further details of the techniques applied, inputs used and the sensitivity to changes are given in notes 13 and 17 to the financial statements.

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#### 2. Revenue

2021 £'000	2020 £'000
911,903	717,525
825	2,582,806
6,547	6,914
919,275	3,307,245
	£'000 911,903 825 6,547

Metals commodity contracts revenue represents metal commodities transactions which are accounted as derivative financial instruments where gain or loss on revaluation of future sales contracts are recognised. As referred to above under Revenue Recognition the unrealised gain on the revaluation/derivative gain/loss at 31 March 2021 is reclassified from Cost of Sales to Sales. The company has not restated the comparative at 31 March 2020 to reflect the revaluation of future sales contracts as the impact is not material and it is only limited to revenue and cost of sales reclassification with no change to the gross profit.

Other principal revenue represents gross sales with respect to transactions in which the company is named as principal.

Agency/Brokerage revenue represents:

- · commission receivable for transactions in which the company acts as a disclosed settlement agent; and
- brokerage commission receivable.

An analysis of the Company's revenue by geographical market is set out below:

	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
From customers located within:		
United Kingdom	39,940	2,372,265
Europe other than United Kingdom	713,376	667,241
Asia	161,709	252,242
Others	4,250	15,497
	919,275	3,307,245

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## 3. Information regarding directors and employees

	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Directors' emoluments: Emoluments Company contributions to money purchase pension scheme Compensation for loss of office	1,277 15	1,264 26 32
- Compensation for loss of office	1,292	1,322
	2021 No.	2020 No.
Number of directors who are members of a money purchase pension scheme	1	1
· ·	£'000	£'000
Remuneration of the highest paid director	931	808
	2021 No.	2020 No.
Monthly average number of employees (including directors) Trading Administration	49 47	57 54
	96	111
Employee costs (excluding directors' emoluments)	£'000	£'000
Wages and salaries	8,401	7,788
Social security costs Pension costs	974 661	978 769
Cost in respect of parent company's employees on secondment	2,895	4,206
•	12,931	13,741
4. Other operating income		
	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Service and management fee income	9,973	11,108
Net foreign exchange gains Other income	- 1,167	5,134 120
- -	11,140	16,362

Service and management fees include management, accounting and other recharges to various group companies for services provided. Other items of operating income consist mainly of fair value gains on foreign exchange contracts, and gains on disposal of property, plant and equipment as well as movements in bad debt and other provisions.

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## 5. Profit for the year

Profit for the year has been arrived at after charging/(crediting) the following amounts:

	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	153	246
Amortisation of intangible assets	119	154
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	514	537
Staff costs including directors (see note 3)	14,223	15,063
Net foreign exchange losses/(gains)	4,037	(5,134)
Mark to market (gains)/losses on foreign contracts	(1,150)	637
Impairment loss recognised on trade receivables	343	82
Reversal of impairment loss recognised on trade receivables	(112)	(15)
Charitable donations	-	267
Auditor's remuneration		
<ul> <li>Fees payable to the company's auditor for the audit of the company's annual financial</li> </ul>	2.55	2.52
statements	257	253
<ul> <li>Fees payable to the company's auditor for audit-related assurance services (J-Sox audit)</li> </ul>	124	134
- Fees payable to the company's auditor and their associates for non-audit services to the		
company	70	118
6. Dividend income from shares in group undertakings	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
No. 11117		
Mitsubishi International G.M.B.H	8,979	3,957
Mitsubishi France S.A.S.	2,937	573
Mitsubishi Italia S.P.A.	92	65
Others	63	1,444
	12,071	6,039
7. Interest income		
and the modern	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000
Interest receivable from group undertakings	175	419
Bank and other interest receivable	71	270
	246	689

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# 8. Interest expense

or interest expense		
	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Interest on bank loans and overdrafts	146	1,075
Interest payable to group undertakings	1,554	18,115
Interest on lease liabilities	338	342
	2,038	19,532
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9. Tax		
(i) The tax charge comprises:		
	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000
Corporation tax:	3,055	2,664
United Kingdom corporation tax		
Adjustment in respect of prior years	(357)	(154)
Total current tax	2,698	2,510
Deferred tax:		
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	340	253
Total deferred tax	340	253
Total tax on profit	3,038	2,763

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

## 9. Tax (continued)

(ii) The charge for the year can be reconciled to the income statement as follows:

	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Profit before tax	21,603	19,742
Tax at 19 % (2020: 19%) thereon:	(4,105)	(3,751)
Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	(10)	(66)
Fixed asset temporary differences	10	(22)
Other temporary differences	(195)	(239)
Utilisation of capital items	(1)	14
United Kingdom dividend income	2,293	1,147
Other expense/income not deductible/taxable for tax purposes	(1,387)	-
Prior year adjustments	357	154
Total tax charge for the year	(3,038)	(2,763)

## (iii) Deferred taxation

The following are the major deferred tax liabilities and assets recognised by the company and movements thereon during the current and prior reporting period.

	Accelerated tax depreciation £'000	Others £'000	Revaluation of financial assets £'000	IFRS 16 opening adjustment £'000	Total £'000
At 31 March 2020 Charge to profit or loss	213 (22)	177 (21)	(1)	1,924 (296)	2,313 (339)
At 31 March 2021	191	156	(1)	1,628	1,974

The company has approximately £0.07 million capital losses (2020: nil) as at balance sheet date.

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#### 9. Tax (continued)

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset where the company has a legally enforceable right to do so. The following is the analysis of the deferred tax balances (after offset) for financial reporting purposes:

	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Deferred tax liabilities	(1)	(1)
Deferred tax assets	1,975	2,314
	1,974	2,313

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that have been substantively enacted at the balance sheet date and which are expected to apply when the temporary differences reverse. The Finance Bill 2019-21 (Finance Act 2020 after Royal Assent received) sets the Corporation Tax main rate at 19% for the financial year beginning 1 April 2020. This maintains the rate at 19% rather than reducing it to 17% from 1 April 2020 originally set out in the Finance Act 2019, which received Royal Assent in February 2019.

The closing deferred tax assets and liabilities at 31 March 2021 have been calculated at 19% specified blended rate reflecting the tax rate at which the deferred tax assets and liabilities is expected to be utilised in future periods.

#### Factors that may affect future tax charges

Finance Bill 2021 announced the main rate of Corporation Tax would increase to 25% from April 2023. As this change was not substantially enacted by the balance sheet date, deferred tax balances are calculated at the rate of 19% as legislated in Finance Bill 2020. The amended tax rate has no material impact as the company has limited deferred tax liability.

## 10. Intangible assets

	Software £'000
Cost	
At 1 April 2020	2,659
Additions	92
At 31 March 2021	2,751
Accumulated amortisation	
At 1 April 2020	2,515
Charge for the year	119
At 31 March 2021	2,634
Net book value	
At 31 March 2021	117
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At 31 March 2020	144

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All amortisation is charged within the administrative expenses in the Income Statement.

## 11. Property, plant and equipment

	Vehicles	Furniture, fixtures and fittings	Office and IT equipment	Construction in progress	Right of use assets buildings	Right of use Vehicle	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cost							
At 1 April 2020	27	4,168	1,186	346	40,281	-	46,008
Additions	-	-	103	488	-	100	691
Disposals	-	-	(145)	-	-	-	(145)
Transfer		232	148	(505)	(327)		(452)
At 31 March 2021	27	4,400	1,292	329	39,954	100	46,102
Accumulated depreciation							
At 1 April 2020	27	4,019	1,092	-	36,792	-	41,930
Charge for the year	-	52	101	-	487	27	667
Disposals	-	-	(145)	-	_	-	(145)
Transfer					(429)		(429)
At 31 March 2021	27	4,071	1,048		36,850	27	42,023
Net book value							
At 31 March 2021		329	244	329	3,104	73	4,079
At 31 March 2020		149	94	346	3,489	<u> </u>	4,078

## Right-of-use assets

The company has 3 office leases included in buildings. Two leases have lease term of 25 years and one has lease term of 12 years. All leases are non-cancellable and will expire in September 2026 with no option to purchase at the end of the lease term.

The company has started 2 car leases at beginning of the financial year. Both lease terms are of 3 years and will end in March 2023.

All depreciation is charged within the administrative expenses in the Income Statement

Amounts recognised in profit and loss	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Depreciation expense on right-of-use assets	514	537
Interest expense on lease liabilities	338	342
Expense relating to short-term leases	274	294
Income from sub-leasing right-of-use assets	1.881	1.826

The total cash outflow for leases amount to £4.4 million each year.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

## 12. Investments

	Shares in subsidiary undertakings £'000	Shares in other group undertakings £'000	Other investments £'000	Total £'000
Cost				
At 1 April 2020	87,100	94	12	87,206
Additions	-	-	23	23
Disposal		(94)		(94)
At 31 March 2021	87,100		35	87,135
Provision				
At 1 April 2020	24,303	74	-	24,377
Impairment	7,300	-	-	7,300
Disposal		(74)		(74)
At 31 March 2021	31,603			31,603
Net book value				
At 31 March 2021	55,497		35	55,532
At 31 March 2020	62,797	20	12	62,829

## Shares in subsidiary undertakings

The shares in subsidiary undertakings represent the six European subsidiaries of the company located in Germany, Spain, Italy, Netherlands, France and Greece. The principal activities of Mitsubishi International GmbH relate to the general trading of commodities and the provision of related services. The other subsidiaries' principal activities relate to the provision of services.

Shareholdings in subsidiaries are as follows:

Company name	Registered office and Country of incorporation	Class of shareholding	Shareholding %	£'000
Mitsubishi International G.m.b.H	Kennedydamm 19, 40476 Duesseldorf, Federal Republic of Germany	Ordinary shares	100	28,122
Mitsubishi France S.A.	3 Avenue Hoche 75008 Paris, France	Ordinary shares	100	15,072
Mitsubishi Italia S.p.A	Largo Toscanini, 1 20122 Milano, Italy	Ordinary shares	100	1,055
Mitsubishi Nederland B.V.	500 Beethovenstraat, 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor, Beethovanstraat 514, 1082 PR, Amsterdam, The Netherlands	Ordinary shares	100	7,292
Mitsubishi Espana S.A.	Orense, 58 1-Planta 28020 Madrid, Spain	Ordinary shares	100	3,866
Mitsubishi Hellas A.E.E.	68 Vassilisis Sofias Avenue & 2 Aiginitou Street, GR 115 28 Athens, Greece	Ordinary shares	100	90
Total				55,497

## Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

### 12. Investments (continued)

The company has reviewed the carrying value of the subsidiaries. As a result, the company recognised an impairment loss of £7.3 million for Mitsubishi International G.m.b.H in the profit and loss account. The impairment amount was calculated based on the investee company's net assets value net of the special dividend distribution and any future liabilities that might arise. In the opinion of the directors, the written down value of the subsidiary was appropriately assessed.

## Shares in other group undertakings

Green Power Development Fund Cooperatief U.A. is the only investment in other group undertakings and represents non-controlling interests in the company. The company invested £94,000 which represents 0.12% of the total shareholding. Over the years the company recognised impairment of £74,000 with a net book value of approximately £20,000 at time of disposal.

In December 2019, Green Power Development Fund Cooperatief U.A. passed the resolution of liquidation. The liquidation procedure had completed and the company received final payment in March 2021 which is the same as carrying value of this investment.

#### Other investments

The other investments represent a debenture in Wentworth Golf Club.

### 13. Inventories

	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Aluminium inventories held at fair value less costs to sell Other inventories held at the lower of cost and net realisable value	188,052	204,798 85,130
Finished goods and goods for resale	188,052	289,928

The inventories that was held at lower of cost and net realisable value in prior year represents a one off transaction which was completed during the year.

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#### 14. Trade and other receivables

	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Amounts due within one year:	* 000	<b>3</b> 000
Trade receivables	115,328	161,319
Less: allowance for doubtful receivables	(1,066)	(1,079)
	114,262	160,240
Amounts owed by parent company and fellow subsidiary undertakings	26,675	35,566
Sublease receivable from group undertakings	1,367	1,559
Loans to third parties	3,888	4,352
Corporation tax receivable	1,708	3,584
Withholding tax recoverable	2,368	-
Prepayments	10,094	5,476
	160,362	210,777
Amounts due after more than one year:		
Sublease receivable from group undertakings	7,650	9,211
Other debtors	138	167
	7,788	9,378
Total trade and other receivables	168,150	220,155

All trade receivables that are due within one year have a maturity of nine months or less and are non-interest bearing and therefore do not expose the company to material interest rate risk.

The amount owed by parent company and fellow subsidiary undertakings includes loans to fellow subsidiaries.

The loans to fellow subsidiary undertakings have no fixed repayment terms. The loans carry interest at LIBOR plus an appropriate margin for the currency and term for group finance. In the opinion of the directors the carrying amount is a reasonable approximation of fair value. The loan to the associated company carries interest at the company's borrowing rate plus an appropriate margin.

Sublease receivable from group undertakings are fixed, non-cancelable leases until September 2026.

Prepayments included advance to suppliers of £8,731,000 (2020: £4,294,000) and other prepaid expenses. The increase in advance to suppliers is due to more deliveries expected for metal transactions.

### Credit risk management

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the company.

Credit risk arises from trade receivables due to the fact that trading in most cases requires extending of credit to customers which otherwise may not trade with the company. The company's principal customers, suppliers and financial institutions with which it conducts business are spread across diverse geographical areas.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

### 14. Trade and other receivables (continued)

#### Credit risk management (continued)

The company has stringent policies in place, managed by a specialist risk management team, which govern the management of credit risk, including the establishment of counterparty credit limits and specific transaction approvals in line with the company's delegation of authority. The company limits the credit risk by evaluating the potential counterparties before entering into transactions with them and continues to monitor and assess their creditworthiness after transactions have been initiated. Creditworthiness is assessed using information from various sources, an internal credit rating system and qualitative and quantitative data. The system of internal credit rating is based on statistical analysis, with customers being individually rated.

The company attempts to minimise credit risk through using credit insurance wherever considered appropriate and rigorous monitoring of receivables. Depending on the creditworthiness of the counterparty the company may require collateral in the form of guarantees, letters of credit and cash. As at 31 March 2021 the company has credit exposure of £10.2 million (31 March 2020: £32 million) covered by parent and third party guarantees in relation to its trade receivables. Credit exposure to any low rated single non-related counterparty or any group of counterparties having similar characteristics is not considered to be significant. The company defines counterparties as having similar characteristics if they are part of the same corporate group.

The company's maximum exposure to credit risk is largely limited to the carrying amount of its receivables, cash and derivatives.

Included in the company's trade receivables balance, there are no debtors (31 March 2020: £0.4 million) which are more than 30 days overdue at the reporting date for which the company has not provided since there has not been a significant change in credit quality and the company believes that the amounts are still recoverable.

Below is the table showing the movement in the provision against doubtful receivables which are aged from current to over one year. Provisions are made based on the expected credit loss model requires under IFRS 9, reflecting the expected credit losses.

#### Movement in the allowance for doubtful receivables

	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Balance at the beginning of the year	1,079	1,002
Exchange difference	(26)	10
Provision charged during the year	125	82
Provision reversed during the year	(112)	(15)
Provision written off during the year		
Balance as at end of the year	1,066	1,079

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

## 15. Trade and other payables

	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Amounts falling due within one year		
Lease liabilities	3,685	3,583
Trade payables	45,921	42,694
Amounts owed to parent company and fellow subsidiary undertakings	147,460	384,688
VAT payable	46	228
Other taxation and social security	275	283
Accruals	6,884	7,108
	204,271	438,584
Deferred income		
Amounts falling due within one year	50	41
	50	41
Amount falling due after more than one year		
Lease liabilities	17,522	21,137
Other creditors	706	342
	18,228	21,479

As at 31 March 2021 the amount owed to parent company is £1,833,000 (2020: £6,104,000). The amount owed to other fellow subsidiary undertakings is £145,627,000 (2020: £378,584,000) of which £141,408,000 (2020: £373,919,000) related to group financing.

All trade payables and amounts owed to the parent for trading transactions are due within one year and are non-interest bearing and therefore do not expose the company to material interest rate risk.

## Analysis of lease liabilities

	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Amount due for settlement: Between one and five years	17,522	19,120
After five years		2,017
0.1	17,522	21,137
On demand or within one year	3,685	3,583
	21,207	24,720

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

Bank loans and overdrafts (unsecured)			2021 £'000	2020 £'000
The borrowings are repayable as follows:				
On demand or within one year			86	548
Analysis of borrowings by currency	EUR £'000	US\$ £'000	GBP £'000	JPY £'000
31 March 2021 Bank loans	86	-	-	-
31 March 2020 Bank loans	548	-	<u>-</u>	

In the opinion of the directors the contracted interest rates for borrowings are not materially different from the effective interest rates and accordingly the carrying amount of bank loans and overdrafts and amounts owed to parent company and fellow subsidiary undertakings is a reasonable approximation of fair value. Further information in respect of interest rate risk is presented in note 17 to the income statements.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

## 16. Share capital, revaluation reserve, share premium and profit and loss account

	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Authorised, issued and fully paid: 120,658,154 (2020: 120,658,154) ordinary shares of £1 each	120,658	120,658
	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Revaluation reserve		3
Revaluation reserve represents accumulated gains arising from available for sale investment	s.	
	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Share premium	33,665	33,665

#### Profit and loss account

Profit and loss reserve represents cumulative profit or losses net of dividends paid and other adjustments.

## 17. Derivatives and financial instruments

## Significant accounting policies

Details of the significant accounting policies and methods adopted, including the criteria for recognition, the basis of measurement and the basis on which income and expenses are recognised, in respect of each class of financial asset, financial liability and equity instrument are disclosed in note 1 to the financial statements.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

### 17. Derivatives and financial instruments (continued)

## Financial risk management objectives

The company's treasury function provides services to the business, co-ordinates access to domestic and international financial markets and monitors and manages the financial risks relating to the operations of the company through internal risk reports which analyse exposures by degree and magnitude of risk. These risks include market risk (including currency risk, fair value interest rate risk and price risk), credit risk, liquidity risk and cash flow interest rate risk.

The company seeks to minimise the effects of these risks by using derivative financial instruments to hedge these risk exposures. The use of financial derivatives is governed by the company's policies approved by the board of directors, which provide written principles for the management of foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk, credit risk, the use of financial derivatives and non-derivative financial instruments. Compliance with policies and exposure limits is reviewed by management on a continuous basis. It is not the policy of the company to enter into these derivative positions on a speculative basis except to a very limited extent with board approval, and firm rules and procedures are in place to ensure that the company follows these policies and that the company risk position is properly managed.

The company has entered into a number of financial instruments as part of its trading portfolio, which are used as hedging tools to match the risks to which the company is exposed. It is the company policy to use these financial instruments and derivatives to hedge outstanding assets and liabilities or transactions that have not yet been undertaken but to which there is a firm commitment or highly probable forecast transaction.

The company is exposed to certain risks and applies the appropriate hedge to match that risk. Where trading exposes the company to foreign exchange risk, forward exchange contracts are entered into to hedge the risk. If the company is exposed to credit risk it will, where appropriate, take out credit insurance to help manage that risk. Where it trades in commodities physically that are also traded on terminal markets it will use futures contracts to hedge any price exposure that it may have. A summary of the financial instruments of the company, by category, including the estimate of fair value is as follows:

### At 31 March 2021

Loans and receivables £'000	Available- for-sale £'000	Amortised cost £'000	Held for trading £'000	Total carrying value £'000	Fair value £'000
153,980	-	-	9,819	153,980 9,819	153,980 9,819
903	35	-	- -	35 903	35 903
154 992	25		0.810	164 727	164 727
154,883	33	-	9,819	164,/3/	164,737
- -	- -	(73,886)	(32,595)	(73,886) (32,595)	(73,886) (32,595)
-	-	(73,886)	(32,595)	(106,481)	(106,481)
-	-	(141,494)	-	(141,494)	(141,494)
154,883	35	(215,380)	(22,776)	(83,238)	(83,238)
	receivables £'000 153,980	receivables £'000  153,980  35  903  - 154,883  35	receivables         for-sale         cost           £'000         £'000           153,980         -         -           -         35         -           903         -         -           154,883         35         -           -         -         (73,886)           -         -         (73,886)           -         -         (141,494)	receivables £'000         for-sale £'000         cost £'000         trading £'000           153,980         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         9,819         -	Loans and receivables £'000         Available-for-sale £'000         Amortised cost £'000         Held for trading £'000         carrying value £'000           153,980         -         -         -         -         153,980           -         -         -         9,819         9,819           -         35         -         -         35           903         -         -         -         903           154,883         35         -         9,819         164,737           -         -         (73,886)         -         (73,886)           -         -         (32,595)         (32,595)           -         -         (141,494)         -         (141,494)

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

## 17. Derivatives and financial instruments (continued)

Financial risk management objectives (continued)

## At 31 March 2020

	Loans and receivables £'000	Available- for-sale £'000	Amortised cost £'000	Held for trading £'000	Total carrying value £'000	Fair value £'000
Financial assets						
Non-derivative assets	211,095	-	-	-	211,095	211,095
Derivative assets Available-for-sale	-	-	-	66,561	66,561	66,561
investments	-	32	-	-	32	32
Cash and cash equivalents	365	-	-		365	365
Sub-total	211,460	32	-	66,561	278,053	278,053
Financial liabilities Non-derivative liabilities Derivative liabilities	<u>-</u>	-	(78,525)	(13,889)	(78,525) (13,889)	(78,525) (13,889)
Sub-total	-	-	(78,525)	(13,889)	(92,414)	(92,414)
Bank overdrafts and other loans Current	-	-	(374,467)	-	(374,467)	(374,467)
Total	211,460	32	(452,992)	52,672	(188,828)	(188,828)

Please refer to note 12 for further disclosure on the fair value of available-for-sale investments. In the opinion of the directors, the carrying values of the financial instruments above approximate to the fair values.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

### 17. Derivatives and financial instruments (continued)

#### Financial risk management objectives (continued)

The fair value of the derivative financial instruments at the balance sheet date was as follows:

	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Assets:		
Current derivative assets		
- Currency derivatives	3,145	3,306
- Aluminium commodity contracts	6,672	62,947
	9,817	66,253
Non-current derivative assets		
- Currency derivatives	1	42
- Aluminium commodity contracts	1	266
	2	308
Liabilities:	,	
Current derivative liabilities	1 222	2.521
- Currency derivatives	1,332	3,521
- Aluminium commodity contracts	31,262	10,187
	32,594	13,708
Non-current derivative liabilities		
- Currency derivatives	1	1
- Aluminium commodity contracts	- -	180
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	1	181

The fair values for currency derivatives were calculated using the closing price published in *The Financial Times* on the last working day of the month and forward point adjustment from Reuters also on the last working day. The fair values for commodity contracts were calculated using the applicable closing rates on the London Metal Exchange and the market premium published by *Metal Bulletin*.

#### Hedge accounting

While the company makes extensive use of derivative financial instruments to hedge the risks to which it is exposed, it applies hedge accounting under IFRS 9 Financial Instruments only in limited circumstances. The hedging transactions the company undertakes that are not recognised in profit and loss are cash flow hedges in respect of foreign exchange forward contracts and other financial instruments used to hedge variations in cash flows likely to arise out of changes in foreign currency exchange rates and commodity prices for highly probable forecast future transactions and firm commitments.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

### 17. Derivatives and financial instruments (continued)

### Financial risk management objectives (continued)

As at 31 March 2021, there was no designated and effective cash flow hedges which have been deferred in other comprehensive income.

#### Market risk

The company's activities expose it to the financial risks of changes in commodity price and foreign currency exchange rates. The company enters into a variety of derivative financial instruments to manage its exposure to commodity price and foreign currency risk, including:

- forward foreign exchange contracts to hedge the exchange rate risk; and
- futures as traded on the exchanges to hedge against any price risk exposure on its aluminium trading operations.

The major commodity traded in the current year was aluminium. The company's risk management objective and strategy for undertaking the hedge is to eliminate any commodity price risk within a transaction in line with the company and departmental guidelines and rules concerning the internal risk position.

Market risk exposures are measured using sensitivity analysis, disclosed below. There has been no change to the company's exposure to market risks or the manner in which it manages and measures the risk over the last financial year.

## (i) Commodity price risk exposure

The company utilises derivative contracts to hedge price fluctuation on aluminium. The company buys and sells commodity futures on the commodity exchanges as a means to hedge its price risk exposure. The futures are traded on a back-to-back basis with each physical contract and as a result very few speculative positions are held.

At the balance sheet date, the total notional amount of outstanding future commodity contracts was as follows:

	Aluminium	
	£'000 Long	£'000 Short
31 March 2021	214,778	328,001
31 March 2020	86,786	363,539

## Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

### 17. Derivatives and financial instruments (continued)

## (i) Commodity price risk exposure (continued)

These futures contracts cover a variety of settlement periods beyond the balance sheet date, the latest one being due for settlement in January 2022. 'Long' refers to the buying position of aluminium future contracts whereas 'Short' refers to the selling position of aluminium future contracts.

The ranges that have been used in the fair value of the material commodity derivatives are as follows:

Aluminium: US\$2,194 – US\$2,234 per metric ton (2020: US\$1,502 – US\$1,652 per metric ton).

## (ii) Commodity price sensitivity analysis

The sensitivity analysis demonstrates the potential impact on the company's profit due to the market and price risk associated with aluminium trading. The following sensitivity analysis has been carried out on the fair values of the commodity derivatives:

	20: Impact o and	on profit
	Lowest case (loss) £'000	Highest case (profit) £ '000
Aluminium futures	3,570	3,049
Total	3,570	3,049
	20: Impact o and	on profit
	Lowest case (loss) £'000	Highest case (profit) £ '000
Aluminium futures	658	5,622
Total	658	5,622

The highest and lowest cases were picked up from the highest and lowest monthly average premium, contango/backwardation and published market price data from the last three years. This is consistent with the data and calculations used by management in its internal risk management process.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

### 17. Derivatives and financial instruments (continued)

### Foreign currency risk

The company's treasury department will undertake cash management to ensure the foreign currency cash balances are maintained as working capital based on the estimate of future needs. When a transaction results in a foreign exchange exposure in any currency then this exposure is hedged by the treasury department. Exchange rate exposures are managed within approved policy parameters utilising forward foreign exchange contracts.

## (i) Foreign Currency risk exposure

A significant portion of the company's earnings are denominated in foreign currencies. Consequently the company has significant risk in the translation of these earnings to its functional currency in sterling. The foreign currency profits before tax by major currency (other than sterling which comprise most of the company operating expenses) for the company are:

	£'000	£'000
US Dollar	26,633	24,628
Euro	13,242	6,653
Japanese Yen	(4)	(5)
	39,871	31,276

The company manages the foreign currency risk by regularly monitoring the net foreign currency earnings against current exchange rates to sterling. Additionally any changes to budgeted earnings figures are also taken into account. Where required, hedging action is undertaken and a report on the outstanding positions and valuations is presented to the management at each month end.

Monetary assets and liabilities by major foreign currency at the balance sheet date are:

	Monetary liabilities		Monetary assets	
	2021 £'000	2020 £'000	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
US Dollar Euro Japanese Yen	121,575 65,369	369,983 49,345 158	95,121 32,505-	116,204 77,356 158
	186,944	419,486	127,626	193,718

## (ii) Foreign currency sensitivity analysis

The following table shows the company's sensitivity to a 10% increase and decrease in sterling against the relevant foreign currencies. The sensitivity analysis demonstrates the impact to the company profit and loss as a result of the change in foreign currency exchange rates based on the earnings and the value of foreign currency monetary assets and liabilities shown above.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

### 17. Derivatives and financial instruments (continued)

#### (ii) Foreign currency sensitivity analysis (continued)

Sensitivity analysis (loss)/profit impact:

	10% weakening in £ against other currency		10% weakening in against other current	
	2021 £'000 On net		2020 £'000 On net	2020 £'000
	monetary items	On earnings	monetary items	On earnings
US Dollar Euro Japanese Yen	(2,939) (3,286)	2,959 1,471 (1)	(28,198) 2,801	2,736 739 (1)
Total impact (loss)/profit	(6,225)	4,429	(25,397)	3,474

For a 10% strengthening of sterling against the relevant currency, there would be an almost equal and opposite impact on the earnings and on the monetary items in the balance sheet.

### (iii) Foreign currency contracts

The company utilises currency derivatives to hedge significant future transactions and cash flows. The company is a party to a variety of foreign currency forward contracts in the management of its exchange rate exposure. The instruments purchased are primarily denominated in the currencies of the commodity or the marketplace that the physical transaction takes place in.

At the balance sheet date, the total notional amount of outstanding forward foreign exchange contracts that the company has committed to are as below.

	GBP £'000	USD £'000	EUR £'000	JPY £'000
31 March 2021	121,962	164,714	52,149	1,764
31 March 2020	118,357	158,881	34,809	-

These arrangements are designed to address significant exchange exposures that the company has for contracted commitments. The vast majority are due to mature within twelve months of the balance sheet date. A very small number extend beyond then, the latest one maturing in June 2022.

At 31 March 2021 the fair value of the company's currency derivatives is estimated to be a net asset of £2.5 million (2020: net liability of £0.2 million). These contracts are valued using pricing techniques involving assumptions based on observable market data to determine the expected settlement amount, which is the present value of the difference between the contract rate and the current forward rate multiplied by the notional currency amount, taking into account the need for adjustments for credit risk. This comprises £2.5 million (2020: £0.2 million) relating to booked transactions, being accounts receivable and short-term borrowing and this year the amount of effective cash flow hedges which have been deferred in other comprehensive income was nil (2020: £nil) as discussed above under hedge accounting.

Listed below are the exchange rate ranges used in calculating the fair value as at 31 March 2021 for the key currencies held as derivatives.

US Dollars – Euro	(2021: 1.1753 - 1.1884)	(2020: 1.0972 - 1.1192)
US Dollars – Sterling	(2021: 1.3799)	(2020: 1.2401 - 1.2412)

## Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

### 17. Derivatives and financial instruments (continued)

## (iii) Foreign currency contracts (continued)

The company also acts as agent for its fellow subsidiaries and parent company in contracting foreign exchange forward contracts. These foreign exchange contracts are not included on the company's balance sheet on the basis that the company is only acting as agent and does not bear the significant risks and rewards of these instruments other than the fixed agency commission that is recognised as income as earned. The fair value of such contracts as at 31 March 2021 was a loss of £2,605,460 (2020: loss of £3,512,571).

#### Interest rate risk

The company in its normal course of business requires funding to finance its commodity trading operations. It is exposed to interest rate risk predominantly because of the mismatch between the value of floating rate assets, mainly consisting of cash flows from inventories and receivables versus fixed rate liabilities. The company's interest risk management policy is to hedge the overall floating rate exposure by using fixed rate borrowings of a similar short-term duration. Longer dated assets over 1 year in duration are normally matched by borrowings obtained from a fellow group undertaking.

The table below summarises the contractual maturity dates of the company's financial instruments, from the year end, which are exposed to cash flow interest rate risk.

As at 31 March 2021	Less than one year £'000	Between one and two years £'000	Between two and five years £'000	More than five years £'000	Non- interest bearing £'000	Total £'000
Assets:						
Cash at bank and in hand	903	_	_	_	-	903
Loans to third parties	3,888	-	_	-	-	3,888
Amounts owed by parent company and						
fellow subsidiary undertakings	6,933	-	-	-	28,759	35,692
Amount owed by associates	-	-	-	-	138	138
Liabilities:						
Bank loans and overdrafts	86	_	=	_	-	86
Amounts owed to parent company and						
fellow subsidiary undertakings	141,408	-	-	-	6,052	147,460
			<u> </u>	<u> </u>		
	Less than	Between	Between two and	More than five	Non- interest	
As at 31 March 2020	Less than one year £'000	Between one and two years £'000	Between two and five years £'000	More than five years £'000	Non- interest bearing £'000	Total £'000
Assets:	one year £'000	one and two years	two and five years	than five years	interest bearing	£'000
Assets: Cash at bank and in hand	one year £'000	one and two years	two and five years	than five years	interest bearing	£'000
Assets: Cash at bank and in hand Loans to third parties	one year £'000	one and two years	two and five years	than five years	interest bearing	£'000
Assets: Cash at bank and in hand Loans to third parties Amounts owed by parent company and	one year £'000 365 4,352	one and two years	two and five years	than five years	interest bearing £'000	£'000 365 4,352
Assets: Cash at bank and in hand Loans to third parties Amounts owed by parent company and fellow subsidiary undertakings	one year £'000	one and two years	two and five years	than five years	interest bearing £'000	£'000 365 4,352 46,336
Assets: Cash at bank and in hand Loans to third parties Amounts owed by parent company and	one year £'000 365 4,352	one and two years	two and five years	than five years	interest bearing £'000	£'000 365 4,352
Assets: Cash at bank and in hand Loans to third parties Amounts owed by parent company and fellow subsidiary undertakings	one year £'000 365 4,352	one and two years	two and five years	than five years	interest bearing £'000	£'000 365 4,352 46,336
Assets: Cash at bank and in hand Loans to third parties Amounts owed by parent company and fellow subsidiary undertakings Amount owed by associates  Liabilities: Bank loans and overdrafts	one year £'000 365 4,352	one and two years	two and five years	than five years	interest bearing £'000	£'000 365 4,352 46,336
Assets: Cash at bank and in hand Loans to third parties Amounts owed by parent company and fellow subsidiary undertakings Amount owed by associates Liabilities:	one year £'000 365 4,352 26,714	one and two years	two and five years	than five years	interest bearing £'000	£'000 365 4,352 46,336 167

Contracted interest rates on cash at bank and deposit range from -0.50% to nil%.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

### 17. Derivatives and financial instruments (continued)

#### Interest rate risk (continued)

Contracted interest rates on loans to third parties and amounts owed by fellow subsidiary undertakings range from nil to Libor + 0.20%.

Contracted interest rates on bank loans and amounts owed to fellow subsidiary undertakings range from Libor -0.25% to Libor +0.30%.

The directors are of the opinion that the above contracted interest rates are a fair approximation of the effective interest rates as at 31 March 2021.

## Liquidity risk

The financing requirements of the company are predominantly short-term in nature and therefore liquidity management is one of the key risks that the company faces. The company manages its financing requirement and hence its liquidity risk with the aid of a cash-flow forecast that is continuously updated to reflect the actual requirement in each currency. Where appropriate the company seeks to match the duration of liabilities to the underlying assets so as to minimise liquidity risk.

The company meets its financing requirements mainly through a combination of inter-group loans and reserves. The company also has access to uncommitted facilities from a range of banks.

An analysis of the liquidity profile of the company's financial liabilities is as follows:

2021	Within one year £'000	Between one and two years £'000	Between two and five years £'000	Total £'000
Bank loans and overdrafts	(86)	-	-	(86)
Other loans	(141,408)	-	-	(141,408)
Related interest	(1)	-	-	(1)
Non-derivative liabilities	(55,658)	(4,471)	(13,757)	(73,886)
Derivative liabilities	(32,594)	(1)	<u> </u>	(32,595)
Total	(229,747)	(4,472)	(13,757)	(247,976)
2020	Within one year £'000	Between one and two years £'000	Between two and five years £'000	Total £'000
2020 Bank loans and overdrafts	one year £'000	one and two years	two and five years	£'000
	one year £'000 (548)	one and two years	two and five years	£'000 (548)
Bank loans and overdrafts	one year £'000	one and two years	two and five years	£'000
Bank loans and overdrafts Other loans	one year £'000 (548) (373,919)	one and two years	two and five years	£'000 (548) (373,919)
Bank loans and overdrafts Other loans Related interest	one year £'000 (548) (373,919) (1,097)	one and two years £'000	two and five years £'000	£'000 (548) (373,919) (1,097)

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

## 17. Derivatives and financial instruments (continued)

## Fair value measurements recognised in the balance sheet

The following table provides an analysis of financial instruments that are measured subsequent to initial recognition at fair value, grouped into Levels 1 to 3 based on the degree to which the fair value is observable:

- Level 1 fair value measurements are those derived from quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 fair value measurements are those derived from inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices); and
- Level 3 fair value measurements are those derived from valuation techniques that include inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

		2021	-	
	Level 1 £'000	Level 2 £'000	Level 3 £'000	Total £'000
Financial assets at FVTPL Derivative financial assets	-	9,819	-	9,819
Available-for-sale financial assets Unquoted equities	-	-	35	35
Total	-	9,819	35	9,854
Financial liabilities at FVTPL Derivative financial liabilities	-	32,595	-	32,595
Total	-	32,595	-	32,595
		2020		
	Level 1 £'000	Level 2	Level 3 £'000	Total £'000
Financial assets at FVTPL Derivative financial assets			Level 3	Total £'000
	£'000	Level 2 £'000	Level 3	£'000
Derivative financial assets  Available-for-sale financial assets	£'000	Level 2 £'000	Level 3 £'000	<b>£'000</b> 66,561
Derivative financial assets  Available-for-sale financial assets Unquoted equities  Total  Financial liabilities at FVTPL	£'000	Level 2 £'000 66,561	Level 3 £'000	£'000 66,561 32 66,593
Derivative financial assets  Available-for-sale financial assets Unquoted equities  Total	£'000	Level 2 £'000 66,561	Level 3 £'000	£'000 66,561

## Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

### 17. Derivatives and financial instruments (continued)

Reconciliation of Level 3 fair value measurements of financial assets:

		ble-for-sale ted equities 2020
	£,000	£'000
Opening balance	32	32
Total losses or gains: - addition - disposals	23 (20)	- -
Closing balance	35	32

The table above only includes financial assets. There were no financial liabilities subsequently measured at fair value on Level 3 fair value measurement bases. All gains and losses included in the statement of comprehensive income relate to unquoted equities held at the balance sheet date and are reported as fair value movements in investments (note 12).

#### Netting arrangements

The company enters into netting agreements with counterparties to manage the credit and settlement risks associated with all its derivatives. These netting agreements and similar arrangements enable the company and its counterparties to settle cash flows on a net basis and set-off liabilities against available assets in the event that either party is unable to fulfil its contractual obligations. Gross notional amounts of the company's derivatives are set out above in the sections of this note relating to the risk the derivatives are used to manage.

## 18. Pension scheme

#### Defined benefit scheme

The Mitsubishi Corporation Retirement Benefits Scheme ("the defined benefit scheme") is a funded defined benefit pension scheme. The scheme operated for the benefit of the employees of Mitsubishi Corporation International (Europe) Plc and provided benefits linked to salary at retirement or earlier date of leaving service until the scheme closed to future accrual of benefits on 28 February 2015.

The company finalised the buyout of the pension scheme in the year ended 31 March 2018.

Since then the scheme has no liabilities remaining and holds no invested assets.

## Defined contribution scheme

The company now operates a defined contribution scheme for all which began on 1 April 2003. The charge for the year (being the contributions made by the company) was £0.7 million (2020: £0.8 million). No amounts were accrued or prepaid as at 31 March 2021.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

### 19. Immediate and ultimate parent company

In the opinion of the directors, the company's ultimate parent company and controlling entity is Mitsubishi Corporation, a company incorporated in Japan. This is the smallest and largest group in which the company is consolidated.

Copies of the group financial statements of the ultimate parent company can be obtained from Mitsubishi Corporation, 3-1 Marunouchi 2-Chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8086, Japan and are also available on Mitsubishi Corporation's website (www.mitsubishicorp.com).

#### 20. Related party transactions

The disclosures below show transactions with related parties which are not wholly owned within the group headed by Mitsubishi Corporation. The company has taken advantage of the exemption from disclosing details of related party transactions available under FRS 101 for transactions with other wholly owned group companies.

	Mozal		Other related parties	
	2021 £'000	2020 £'000	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Revenue	214	124	160	167
Sublease income	-	-	33	194
Trade and other receivables	6	-	46	52
Payables	26,075	16,074	_	

The company purchased aluminium on normal commercial terms from Mozal s.a.r.l, which is an associate of the company's parent undertaking, Mitsubishi Corporation until May 2014. Thereafter the company changed its arrangement and purchases aluminium directly from the parent company, but remains as a settlement agent for the parent company with Mozal. Revenue from Mozal relates to demurrage charges for aluminium business. Revenue from other related parties is mainly service fee income for accounting support.

### 21. Capital risk management and dividends

### Capital risk management

The company manages its capital to ensure that it will be able to fund both its own day-to-day activities and those of its subsidiaries while continuing as a going concern. The capital structure of the company consists of net debt (bank loans, overdrafts and intercompany balances disclosed in note 15 after deducting cash and bank balances) and equity (comprising issued capital, reserves and retained earnings). The company is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements and does not manage its capital on the basis of specific target gearing or leverage ratios.

Instead, each year the directors make an assessment of the valuation of the company's assets and liabilities using assumptions which are more prudent than those adopted for financial reporting purpose, taking into account unrealised gains and losses on assets and liabilities held at fair value and unrecognised contingent liabilities. Having made this assessment the company pays out all remaining retained earnings as dividends such that the company's equity should remain broadly stable over the long term. Any requirements for additional capital identified by the company through its ongoing cash flow forecasting are met through additional borrowings obtained from the wide range of facilities available to the company, both directly from external banks and from other group undertakings.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) For the year ended 31 March 2021

## 21. Capital risk management and dividends (continued)

## Dividends

Amounts recognised as distributions to equity holders in the year:

	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Dividend for the year ended 31 March 2021 of 14.08941p per share (for year ended 31 March 2020: 4.97273p per share)	17,000	6,000
	17,000	6,000

## 22. Event after the balance sheet date

There are no events after the balance sheet date at the date of signing the financial statements.