Aviva UKLAP De-risking Limited

Registered in England and Wales No. 3491273

Annual Report and Financial Statements 2019

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Other Information

The Company is a member of the Aviva plc group of companies ("the Group")

Strategic report

The directors present their strategic report for the Company for the year ended 31 December 2019.

Review of the Company's business

Principal activities

The principal strategy and objective for the Company is the investment in tax transparent managed funds.

Financial position and performance

The financial position of the Company at 31 December 2019 is shown in the statement of financial position on page 16, with the trading results shown in the income statement on page 14 and the statement of cash flows on page 17.

The profit after tax for the year was £883,000 *(2018 loss: £380,000)*.

Total equity increased by £883,000 *(2018 increase: £2,620,000),* reflecting the profit for the year.

Section s.172 statement

The Directors report here how they have discharged their duties under Section 172 (1) of the Companies Act 2006 and during 2019.

The Board is responsible for monitoring and upholding the culture, values, standards, ethics, and reputation of the Company to ensure that its obligations to its shareholder and to its stakeholders are met. The Board monitors adherence to the Aviva Group business standards and compliance with the Aviva Governance Framework. The Company, as a wholly owned subsidiary of Aviva plc Group, is managed as part of its UK Life business.

For each matter which comes before the Board, stakeholders who may be affected are identified and their interests are carefully considered as part of the Board's decision-making process.

The UK Life business is also focussed on the wider social context within which its businesses operate, including those issues related to climate change which are of fundamental importance to the planet's well-being.

The Company's culture

As the provider of financial services to many customers, the UK Life business seeks to earn customers' trust by acting with integrity and responsibility at all times. The Company looks to build relationships with all stakeholders based on openness and continuing dialogue.

The Company's culture is shaped by clearly defined values to help ensure it operates appropriately and does the right thing. The Company values diversity and inclusivity in our workforce and beyond. The commitment that the Aviva Group makes to each customer extends to all our stakeholders; that we are 'with you today, for a better tomorrow.' Throughout the Company's business, the Board is proud of the Company's people who live by Aviva's core value of 'Care More' for our customers, for each other and for the communities they serve.

Key strategic decisions in 2019

Following the split of the UKI business into separate UK Life and Pensions and General Insurance businesses, and the appointment of Angela Darlington as the UK Life CEO, and the appointment of Lindsey Rix as the UK Savings and Retirement CEO, the Board has aligned its strategic focus with that of Aviva Group, to develop Savings and Retirement as a core strength for the Life business, supporting customers to save for the future, navigate their retirement and to protect what's most important to them.

Stakeholder Engagement

(i) Employees

The Company has no employees. The majority of staff engaged in the activities of the Company are employed by fellow subsidiary undertakings of Aviva plc. As part of the Aviva Group, these staff enjoy the benefit of the Aviva Group policies and benefits made available to them.

Aviva Group engagement mechanisms include employee forums, internal communication channels, and informal meetings with Directors and employee engagement surveys.

Aviva employees share in the business' success as shareholders through membership of the Group's global share plans.

Strategic report (continued)

(ii) Customers

The UK Life business closely monitors customer metrics and engages with the leadership team to understand the issues if business performance does not meet customers' expectations.

The Board continues to monitor and review developments which will allow us to simplify and support service delivery to our customers.

(iii) Suppliers

All supplier related activity is managed in line with the Group Procurement & Outsourcing Business Standard. This ensures that supply risk is managed appropriately including in relation to customer outcomes, data security, corporate responsibility, financial, operational, contractual, and brand damage caused by inadequate oversight or supplier failure.

In the UK, the ultimate parent Aviva plc is a signatory of the Prompt Payment Code which sets standards for high payment practices. Aviva is a Living Wage employer in the UK, and supplier contracts include a commitment to paying eligible employees not less than the Living Wage in respect of work provided to Aviva at our premises in the UK.

(iv) Communities

Aviva runs a health and wellbeing proposition for UK employees, Wellbeing@Aviva, providing products, improved policies and better support to enhance employees mental, physical, community & financial welling. This has led to Aviva's people creating of a number of internal communities to enable colleagues connect over activities they are passionate about.

Aviva Group actively encourages and supports colleagues to volunteer in their communities to make a positive impact and help build stronger communities.

(v) Shareholders

The Company's ultimate shareholder is Aviva plc and its immediate shareholder is Aviva Life & Pensions UK Limited (UKLAP). Any matters requiring escalation are escalated by the Board to its parent.

Future outlook

Strategies for the Group as a whole are determined by the Board of Aviva plc and these are shown in the Group 2019 Annual Report and Accounts. The Company will work with the Group to support the implementation of these strategies.

The strategic direction of the Company is set by the directors of the Company. The directors consider that the Company's principal activities will continue unchanged for the foreseeable future.

Principal risks and uncertainties

A description of the principal risks and uncertainties facing the Company and the Company's risk management policies are set out in note 15 to the financial statements.

Risk factors beyond the Company's control that could cause actual results to differ materially from those estimated includes, but is not limited to:

Market risk, the risk of loss or adverse change in the financial situation (including the value of assets, liabilities and income) resulting, directly or indirectly, from fluctuations in the level or the volatility of market variables, such as interest rates, foreign exchange rates, equity, property and commodity prices.

On 11 March 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of a strain of novel coronavirus disease, COVID-19, a global pandemic. Governments in affected areas have imposed a number of measures designed to contain the outbreak, including business closures, travel restrictions, stay at home orders and cancellations of gatherings and events. The spread of COVID-19 has resulted in an economic downturn in jurisdictions in which the Company operates and the global economy more widely, as well as causing increased volatility and declines in financial markets. If the pandemic is prolonged, or further diseases emerge that give rise to similar effects, the adverse impact on the global economy could be deepened and result in further declines in financial markets.

Since the onset of the pandemic the Company has remained operational with key activities being maintained. As the situation is rapidly evolving it is not practicable to quantify the potential impact of volatile financial markets on expected earnings or the Company at this stage.

Strategic report (continued)

Key performance indicators (KPIs)

The directors consider that the Company's key performance indicators (KPIs) that communicate the financial performance are as follows:

Measure	**2019 £'000**	2018 £'000
Financial performance metrics		
Revenue for the year	**889**	(385)
Profit/(Loss) for the year after tax	**883**	(380)
Equity at year end	**8,538**	7,655

By order of the Board on 24 July 2020

For and on behalf of Aviva Company Secretarial Services Limited

Company Secretary

Directors' report

The directors submit their annual report and the audited financial statements for the Company for the year ended 31 December 2019.

Directors

The names of the current directors of the Company are shown on page 3.

There have been no changes to the board of Directors during the year or since the year end.

Company Secretary

The name of the company secretary of the Company is shown on page 3.

Dividend

The Company did not pay a dividend for 2019 *(2018: £nil)*.

Going concern

The Company's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect its future development, performance and position are set out in the strategic report, which includes a section describing the principal risks and uncertainties. In addition, the financial statements include notes on: the Company's capital structure (note 14) and management of its risks including market, credit and liquidity risk (note 15).

The Company and its ultimate holding company, Aviva plc, have considerable financial resources together with a diversified business model, with a spread of businesses and geographical reach. The directors believe that the Company is well placed to manage its business risks successfully.

After making enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for a period of at least twelve months from the date of approval of the financial statements. For this reason, they continue to adopt, and to consider appropriate, the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Future outlook

Likely future developments in the business of the Company are discussed in the strategic report on page 4.

Employees

The Company has no employees. The majority of employees engaged in the activities of the Company are employed by subsidiary undertakings of Aviva plc, Aviva Employment Services Limited. Disclosures relating to employees may be found in the annual report and financial statements of these companies.

Disclosure of information to independent auditors

In accordance with section 418 of the Companies Act 2006, the directors in office at the date of approval of this report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's External Auditor, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, is unaware and each director has taken all steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP is aware of that information.

Independent auditors

It is the intention of the directors to reappoint the auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, under the deemed appointment rules of section 487 of the Companies Act 2006.

Qualifying indemnity provisions

Aviva plc, the Company's ultimate parent, granted in 2004 an indemnity to the directors against liability in respect of proceedings brought by third parties, subject to the conditions set out in the Companies Act 1985, which continue to apply in relation to any provision made before 1 October 2007. This indemnity is a "qualifying third party indemnity" for the purposes of section 309A to section 309C of the Companies Act 1985. These qualifying third-party indemnity provisions remain in force as at the date of approving the directors' report by virtue of paragraph 15, Schedule 3 of The Companies Act 2006 (Commencement No. 3, Consequential Amendments, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2007.

The directors also have the benefit of the indemnity provision contained in the Company's articles of association, subject to the conditions set out in the Companies Act 2006. This is a "qualifying third party indemnity" provision as defined by section 234 of the Companies Act 2006.

Directors' report (continued)

Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the strategic report, directors' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulation.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have prepared the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the European Union. 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 the financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- state whether applicable IFRSs as adopted by the European Union have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; 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 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 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.

By order of the Board on 24 July 2020

For and on behalf of Aviva Company Secretarial Services Limited

Company Secretary

Independent auditors' report to the members of Aviva UKLAP De-risking Limited

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

In our opinion, Aviva UKLAP De-risking Limited's financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2019 and of its profit and cash flows for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the European Union; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements, included within the Annual Report and Financial Statements (the "Annual Report"), which comprise: the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2019; the income statement, the statement of cash flows, the statement of changes in equity for the year then ended; the accounting policies; and the notes to the financial statements.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities under ISAs (UK) are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We remained independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, which includes the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this statement is not a guarantee as to the company's ability to continue as a going concern.

Reporting on other information

The other information comprises all of the information in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this report, any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify an apparent material inconsistency or material misstatement, we are required to perform procedures to conclude whether there is a material misstatement of the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report based on these responsibilities.

With respect to the Strategic Report and Directors' Report, we also considered whether the disclosures required by the UK Companies Act 2006 have been included.

Based on the responsibilities described above and our work undertaken in the course of the audit, ISAs (UK) require us also to report certain opinions and matters as described below.

Independent auditors' report to the members of Aviva UKLAP De-risking Limited (continued)

Strategic Report and Directors' Report

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, the information given in the Strategic Report and Directors' Report for the year ended 31 December 2019 is consistent with the financial statements and has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

In light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we did not identify any material misstatements in the Strategic Report and Directors' Report.

Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

Responsibilities of the directors for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the Statement of directors' responsibilities set out on page 8, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable framework and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The directors are also responsible for such internal control as they 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.

Auditors' 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 auditors' 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 auditors' report.

Use of this report

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

Other required reporting

Companies Act 2006 exception reporting

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

Sean Forster (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors
London
24 July 2020

Accounting policies

The Company, a private company limited by shares, incorporated and domiciled in the United Kingdom (UK), is engaged in investment in managed funds.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented, unless otherwise stated.

(A) Basis of preparation

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared and approved by the directors in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as endorsed by the European Union (EU), and those parts of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to those reporting under IFRS. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for financial investments which are measured at fair value where there is an active market.

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis as explained in the Directors' report on page 7.

The Company's financial statements are stated in pounds sterling, which is the Company's functional and presentational currency. Unless otherwise noted, the amounts shown in these financial statements are in thousands of pounds sterling (£'000).

New standards, interpretations and amendments to published standards that have been adopted by the Company

The Company has adopted the following standards, amendments to existing standards which became effective for the annual reporting year beginning on 1 January 2019:

(i) IFRS 16 Leases

In January 2016, the IASB published IFRS 16 Leases which will replace IAS 17 Leases. IFRS 16 introduces a definition of a lease with a single lessee accounting model eliminating the classification of either operating or finance leases. Lessees will be required to account for all leases in a similar manner to the current finance lease accounting recognising lease assets and liabilities on the statement of financial position. Lessor accounting remains similar to current practice. IFRS 16 was effective for the Company from 1 January 2019 and the impact of adoption of IFRS 16 has been immaterial to the Company's financial statements.

The following amendments to existing standards and International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee ("IFRIC") interpretations have been issued and endorsed by the EU, are effective from 1 January 2019 or earlier, and do not have a significant impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

(ii) IFRIC 23, Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments in June 2017, the IASB published IFRIC 23, Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments. The standard is effective for annual reporting beginning on or after 1 January 2019.
(iii) Amendments to IAS 19, Plan Amendment, Curtailment or Settlement in February 2018, the IASB published Plan Amendment, Curtailment or Settlement (Amendments to IAS 19). The amendments are effective for annual reporting beginning on or after 1 January 2019.
(iv) Amendments to IAS 28, Long-term Interests in Associates and Joint Ventures in October 2017, the IASB published Long-term Interests in Associates and Joint Ventures (Amendments to IAS 28). The amendments are effective for annual reporting beginning on or after 1 January 2019.
(v) Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2015-2017 Cycle These improvements consist of amendments to four IFRSs including IFRS 3, Business Combinations, IFRS 11, Joint Arrangements, IAS 12, Income taxes and IAS 23, Borrowing Costs. The amendments are effective for annual reporting beginning on or after 1 January 2019.

Standards, interpretations and amendments to published standards that are not yet effective and have not been adopted early by the Company

The following new standards, amendments to existing standards have been issued, are not yet effective and have not been adopted early by the Company:

(vi) IFRS 17, Insurance Contracts

In May 2017, the IASB published IFRS 17 Insurance Contracts, a comprehensive new accounting standard for insurance contracts covering recognition and measurement, presentation and disclosure. Once effective, IFRS 17 will replace IFRS 4 that was issued in 2005. IFRS 17 applies to all types of insurance contracts as well as to certain guarantees and financial instruments with discretionary participation features. In contrast to the requirements in IFRS 4, which are largely based on grandfathering of previous local accounting policies, IFRS 17 provides a comprehensive and consistent approach to insurance contracts. The core of IFRS 17 is the general model, supplemented by a specific adaption for contracts with direct participation features (the variable fee approach) and a simplified approach (the premium allocation approach) mainly for short-duration contracts.

The main features of the new accounting model for insurance contracts are, as follows: the measurement of the present value of future cash flows incorporating an explicit risk adjustment and remeasured every reporting period (the fulfilment cash flows); a Contractual Service Margin (CSM) that is equal and opposite to any day one gain in the fulfilment cash flows of a group of contracts, representing the unearned profit of the insurance contracts to be recognised in profit or loss over the service period (coverage period); the presentation of insurance revenue and insurance service expenses in the statement of comprehensive income based on the concept of insurance services provided during the period; and extensive disclosures to provide information on the recognised amounts from insurance contracts and the nature and extent of risks arising from these contracts.

Accounting policies (continued)

The impact of the adoption of IFRS 17 is not considered to be material to the Company. It is expected that the standard will apply to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022 and this standard has not yet been endorsed by the EU.

The following new standards, amendments to existing standards have been issued, are not yet effective and are not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's financial statements:

- Amendments to References to the Conceptual Framework in IFRS Standards
- Amendments to IFRS 3 Business Combinations,
- Amendments to IAS 1 and IAS 8, Definition of material
- Interest Rate Benchmark Reform
- Amendments to IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements: Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current

Amendments to References to the Conceptual Framework, Interest Rate Benchmark Reform and amendments to IFRS 3, IAS1 & IAS8, Definition of material, have all been endorsed by the EU. The amendments to IAS 1, Presentation of Financial Statements: Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current, has not yet been endorsed by the EU. The amendments are not expected to have a material impact on the financial statements.

(B) Critical accounting policies and the use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires the Company to select accounting policies and make estimates and assumptions that affect items reported in the income statement, consolidated statement of financial position, other primary statements and notes to the financial statements.

Critical accounting policies

There are no critical accounting policies which are considered to have the significant impact on the amounts recognised in the financial statements.

Use of estimates

All estimates are based on management's knowledge of current facts and circumstances, assumptions based on that knowledge and their predictions of future events and actions. Actual results may differ from those estimates, possibly significantly.

There are no items considered particularly susceptible to changes in estimates and assumptions.

(C) Fair value measurement

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, regardless of whether that price is directly observable or estimated using another valuation technique. This presumes that the transaction takes place in the principal (or most advantageous) market under current market conditions. Fair value is a market-based measure and in the absence of observable market prices in an active market, it is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability.

The fair value of a non-financial asset is determined based on its highest and best use from a market participant's perspective. When using this approach, the Company takes into account the asset's use that is physically possible, legally permissible and financially feasible.

The best evidence of the fair value of a financial instrument at initial recognition is normally the transaction price i.e. the fair value of the consideration given or received. In certain circumstances, the fair value at initial recognition may differ from the transaction price. If the fair value is evidenced by comparison with other observable current market transactions in the same instrument (i.e. without modification or repackaging) or is based on a valuation technique whose variables include only data from observable markets, then the difference between the fair value at initial recognition and the transaction price is recognised as a gain or loss in the income statement. When unobservable market data has a significant impact on the valuation of financial instruments, the difference between the fair value at initial recognition and the transaction price is not recognised immediately in the income statement, but deferred and recognised in the income statement on an appropriate basis over the life of the instrument but no later than when the valuation is supported wholly by observable market data or the transaction is closed out or otherwise matures.

If an asset or a liability measured at fair value has a bid price and an ask price, the price within the bid-ask spread that is most representative of fair value in the circumstances is used to measure fair value.

(D) Financial investments

The classification of the Company's financial investments is driven by an assessment of the business model used to manage the instruments, and an assessment of the extent to which the contractual cash flows associated with the instrument are solely payment of principal and interest. The Company's financial investments are measured and evaluated on a fair value basis and are therefore measured at fair value through profit and loss ("FVTPL").

Financial investments are initially recognised at their fair value at the point at which the Company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Subsequent to initial recognition the fair value of an instrument is determined using the methodology outlined in Note 6, with any gains and losses being recognised in profit or loss as Net Investment (expense)/income. Net Investment (expense)/income consists of interest income, dividend income and gains and losses.

Accounting policies (continued)

(E) Receivables

Receivables and other financial assets are recognised initially at their fair value. Subsequent to initial measurement receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, less expected credit losses.

(F) Statement of cash flows

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash at banks and in hand.

(G) Income taxes

The current tax expense is based on the taxable profits for the year, after any adjustments in respect of prior years. Tax, including tax relief for losses if applicable, is allocated over profits before taxation and amounts charged or credited to components of other comprehensive income and equity as appropriate.

Provision is made for deferred tax liabilities, or credit taken for deferred tax assets, using the liability method, on all material temporary differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements.
The rates enacted or substantively enacted at the statement of financial position date are used to value the deferred tax assets and liabilities.

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised. Where there is a history of tax losses, deferred tax assets are only recognised in excess of deferred tax liabilities if there is convincing evidence that future profits will be available.

Deferred tax is provided on any temporary differences arising from investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures, except where the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference can be controlled and it is probable that the difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred taxes are not provided in respect of any temporary differences arising from the initial recognition of goodwill, or from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction which is not a business combination and affects neither accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss at the time of the transaction.

Current and deferred tax relating to items recognised in other comprehensive income and directly in equity are similarly recognised in other comprehensive income and directly in equity respectively. Deferred tax related to any fair value re-measurement of available for sale investments, owner-occupied properties, pensions and other post-retirement obligations and other amounts charged or credited directly to other comprehensive income is recognised in the statement of financial position as a deferred tax asset or liability.

(H) Share capital

Equity instruments

An equity instrument is a contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of an entity after deducting all its liabilities. Accordingly, a financial instrument is treated as equity if:

(i) there is no contractual obligation to deliver cash or other financial assets or to exchange financial assets or liabilities on terms that may be unfavourable; and

(ii) the instrument is a non-derivative that contains no contractual obligation to deliver a variable number of shares or is a derivative that will be settled only by the Company exchanging a fixed amount of cash or other assets for a fixed number of the Company's own equity instruments.

Dividends

Interim dividends on ordinary shares are recognised in equity in the period in which they are paid. Final dividends on these shares are recognised when they have been approved by shareholders.

Income statement

For the year ended 31 December 2019

	Note	**2019**	2018
		£'000	£'000
Income			
Net investment income/(expense)	D & 1	**889**	(385)
		889	(385)
Profit/(Loss) before tax		**889**	(385)
Tax charge/(credit)	G & 5a	**(6)**	5
Profit/(Loss) for the year		**883**	(380)

The Company has no other comprehensive income.

The accounting policies (identified alphabetically) on pages 11 to 13 and notes (identified numerically) on pages 18 to 25 are an integral part of the financial statements.

Statement of changes in equity

For the year ended December 2019

	Note			**2019**
		Ordinary share capital	**Retained earnings**	**Total equity**
		£'000	**£'000**	**£'000**
Balance at 1 January		**8,000**	**(345)**	**7,655**
Profit for the year	9	**-**	**883**	**883**
Balance at 31 December		**8,000**	**538**	**8,538**

	Note			2018
		Ordinary share capital	Accumulated losses	Total equity
		£'000	£'000	£'000
Balance at 1 January		5,000	35	5,035
Addition to share capital	8	3,000	-	3,000
Loss for the year	9	-	(380)	(380)
Balance at 31 December		8,000	(345)	7,655

The accounting policies (identified alphabetically) on pages 11 to 13 and notes (identified numerically) on pages 18 to 25 are an integral part of the financial statements.

Statement of financial position

As at 31 December 2019

	Note	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
Assets			
Financial investments	D & 7	**4,835**	5,002
Tax asset	G & 10(a)	**5**	-
Receivables	E & 11	**3,709**	2,724
Total assets		**8,549**	7,726
Equity			
Ordinary share capital	H & 8	**8,000**	8,000
Retained earnings	9	**538**	(345)
Total equity		**8,538**	7,655
Liabilities			
Deferred tax liability	G & 10(b)	**11**	-
Payables and other financial liabilities	12	**-**	71
Total liabilities		**11**	71
Total equity and liabilities		**8,549**	7,726

The accounting policies (identified alphabetically) on pages 11 to 13 and notes (identified numerically) on pages 18 to 25 are an integral part of the financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of directors on 24 July 2020 and were signed on its behalf by

Ashish Dafria *Director*

24 July 2020

Statement of cash flows

For the year ended 31 December 2019

	Note	**2019**	2018
		£'000	£'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from/(used in) operating activities	13	**-**	(3,000)
Total net cash generated from/(used in) operating activities		**-**	(3,000)
Net cash from financing activities			
Proceeds from the issue of ordinary shares	8	**-**	3,000
Total net cash generated from financing activities		**-**	3,000
Total net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		**-**	-
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January		**-**	-
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	13	**-**	-

The accounting policies (identified alphabetically) on pages 11 to 13 and notes (identified numerically) on pages 18 to 25 are an integral part of the financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements

1. Net investment income

	2019	2018
	£'000	£'000
Realised gains on disposals	**109**	-
Unrealised gains/ (losses) arising in the year	**780**	(385)
	889	(385)

2. Operating expenses

Under a management agreement Aviva Life Services UK Limited (UKLS), a fellow group undertaking, supplies and makes charges for the provision of operational assets and staff to the Company. Operating expenses have been borne by a fellow group undertaking.

3. Directors' remuneration

The directors were all remunerated by Aviva Employment Services Limited, a fellow subsidiary of Aviva plc for their services to the Aviva Group as a whole. They were not remunerated for their services as directors of the Company and the amount of time spent performing their duties is incidental to their roles across the Aviva Group. This is consistent with prior years.

4. Auditor's remuneration

The total remuneration payable by the Company, excluding VAT, to its auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP is as follows:

	2019	2018
	£'000	£'000
Fees payable to PwC LLP for the statutory audit of the Company's financial statements	**4**	4
	4	4

The Company is exempt under SI 2008/489 from the obligation to disclose fees in respect of 'Other services' as the Company is a subsidiary of Aviva plc, which prepares consolidated financial statements. Fees paid to the Company's auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP and its associates for services other than the statutory audit of the Company and other Group undertakings are disclosed in the consolidated accounts of Aviva plc.
Audit fees are payable by Aviva Central Services UK Limited, a fellow Group company.

5. Taxation

(a) Tax charged /(credited) to the income statement

The total tax charge/(credit) comprises:

		2019	2018
		£'000	£'000
Current tax			
For this year	10a	**-**	-
Prior year adjustments		**(5)**	2
Total current tax		**(5)**	2
Deferred tax			
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	10b	**12**	(7)
Changes in tax rates or tax laws		**(1)**	-
Total deferred tax		**11**	(7)
Total tax charged/(credited) to income statement		**6**	(5)

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(b) Tax reconciliation

The tax on the Company's profit / (loss) before tax differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the tax rate in the United Kingdom as follows:

		2019 £'000	2018 £'000
Total profit/(loss) before tax		**889**	(385)
Tax calculated at standard UK corporation tax rate of 19% *(2018: 19%)*		**169**	(73)
Adjustment to tax (credit)/charge in respect of prior years		**(5)**	2
Non-taxable income		**(38)**	(9)
Impact of change in rate of tax		**(1)**	-
Movement in unrecognised deferred tax		**(87)**	75
Surrender of losses from group undertakings for no charge		**(32)**	-
Total tax charged/(credited) for the year	5a	**6**	(5)

Finance Act 2016 introduced legislation reducing the UK corporation tax rate from 1 April 2020 to 17%. This reduced rate was used in the calculation of the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2019. In the Budget of 11 March 2020 the UK Government reversed this rate reduction, announcing that the UK corporation tax rate will remain at 19% from 1 April 2020 and this was substantively enacted on 17 March 2020.

As of 31 December 2019, this measure had not been substantively enacted and therefore no impact is reflected in the calculation of the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2019.

6. Fair value methodology

(a) Basis for determining fair value hierarchy of financial instruments

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the 'fair value hierarchy' described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

Level 1

Inputs to Level 1 fair values are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets and liabilities that the Company can access at the measurement date.

Level 2

Inputs to Level 2 fair values are inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, a Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the instrument. Level 2 inputs include the following:

- quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active market;
- quoted prices for identical or similar assets and liabilities in markets that are not active, the prices are not current, or price quotations vary substantially either over time or among market makers, or in which little information is released publicly
- inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability (for example, interest rates and yield curves observable at commonly quoted intervals, implied volatilities, and credit spreads); and
- market-corroborated inputs.

Where broker quotes are used and no information as to the observability of inputs is provided by the broker, the investments are classified as follows:

- where the broker price is validated by using internal models with market observable inputs and the values are similar, the investment is classified as Level 2; and
- in circumstances where internal models are not used to validate broker prices, or the observability of inputs used by brokers is unavailable, the investment is classified as Level 3.

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Level 3

Inputs to Level 3 fair values are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs may have been used to measure fair value to the extent that observable inputs are not available, thereby allowing for situations in which there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability at the measurement date. However, the fair value measurement objective remains the same, i.e. an exit price at the measurement date from the perspective of a market participant that holds the asset or owes the liability. Unobservable inputs reflect the assumptions the Company considers that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Examples are certain private equity investments and private placements.

The majority of the Company's assets and liabilities measured at fair value are based on quoted market information or observable market data. Where estimates are used, these are based on a combination of independent third-party evidence and internally developed models, calibrated to market observable data where possible. Third-party valuations using significant unobservable inputs validated against Level 2 internally modelled valuations are classified as Level 3, where there is a significant difference between the third-party price and the internally modelled value. Where the difference is insignificant, the instrument would be classified as Level 2.

Investments in subsidiaries and associates recorded at fair value are based on estimates and recorded as Level 3 investments. Where estimates are used, these are based on a combination of independent third-party evidence and internally developed models, calibrated to market observable data where possible.

(b) Changes to valuation techniques

There were no changes in the valuation techniques during the year compared to those described in the 2018 annual report and financial statements.

(c) Comparison of the carrying amount and fair values of financial instruments

All financial instruments are carried at fair value with the exception of the following assets and liabilities approximate to their carrying amounts:

- Receivables and payables

(d) Fair value hierarchy

An analysis of financial assets and liabilities according to fair value hierarchy is given below:

				2019
	Level 1	**Level 2**	**Level 3**	**Total**
	£'000	**£'000**	**£'000**	**£'000**
Financial assets				
Investments	**4,835**	**-**	**-**	**4,835**
Total	**4,835**	**-**	**-**	**4,835**

				2018
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Financial assets				
Investments	5,002	-	-	5,002
Total	5,002	-	-	5,002

There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy during 2019 or 2018.

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7. Financial investment

	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
Carrying amount at 1 January	**5,002**	3,618
Additions	**1,381**	1,816
Sold/matured	**(2,328)**	(47)
Fair value movements	**780**	(385)
Carrying amount at 31 December	**4,835**	5,002

8. Ordinary share capital

	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
Ordinary shares of £1 each	**8,000**	8,000
	8,000	8,000

Ordinary shares in issue in the Company rank pari passu. All the ordinary shares in issue carry the same right to receive all dividends and other distributions declared, made or paid by the Company.

9. Retained earnings

	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
Balance at 1 January	**(345)**	35
Profit/(loss) for the year	**883**	(380)
Balance at 31 December	**538**	(345)

10. Tax assets and liabilities

(a) General

(i) Tax asset

	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
Expected to be recoverable in less than one year	**5**	-
Tax asset recognised in statement of financial position	**5**	-

Liabilities for prior years tax to be settled by Group Relief of £nil (2018: £2,000) are included within Payables and other financial liabilities (note 12) and are payable in less than one year.

(b) Deferred tax

(ii) The balance at 31 December comprises:

	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
Unrealised gains on investments	**11**	-
Net deferred tax liability	**11**	-

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(iii) The movement in the net deferred tax liability was as follows:

		2019 £'000	2018 £'000
Net liability at 1 January		**-**	7
Amounts charged/(credited) to profit	5a	**11**	(7)
Net liability at 31 December		**11**	-

No deferred tax asset has been recognised in respect of losses on revaluation of investments of £nil (2018: £388,000), which will crystallise capital losses on realisation, due to uncertainty over the timing of the realisation, and the availability of taxable capital gains to offset the capital losses against.

11. Receivables

	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
Amounts owed by group undertakings	**3,709**	2,724

Of the above total, £nil *(2018: £nil)* is expected to be received more than one year after the statement of financial position date.

12. Payables and other financial liabilities

	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
Payables arising out of investment operations	**-**	71

Of the above total, £nil *(2018: £nil)* is expected to be paid more than one year after the statement of financial position date.
All payables and other financial liabilities are carried at cost, which approximates to fair value.

13. Notes to statement of cash flow

The reconciliation of profit before tax to the net cash inflow from operating activities is:

	Note	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
Profit/(loss) before tax		**889**	(385)
Adjustments for:			
Fair value gains on investments		**(780)**	385
Profit on sale of investments		**(109)**	-
		(889)	385
Changes in working capital:			
Increase in receivables		**(985)**	(1,302)
(Decrease)/increase in payables		**(71)**	71
Investments purchased		**(1,381)**	(1,816)
Investments sold/matured		**2,437**	47
		-	(3,000)
Total cash generated from/used in operating activities		-	(3,000)

There were no cash and cash equivalents held at 31 December 2019 *(2018: £nil)*

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14. Capital

In managing its capital, the Company seeks to:

(i) match the profile of its assets and liabilities, taking account of the risks inherent in the business;

(ii) maintain financial strength to support new business growth and satisfy the requirements of its policyholders and regulators;

(iii) retain financial flexibility by maintaining strong liquidity; and

(iv) allocate capital efficiently to support growth and repatriate excess capital where appropriate.

The Company manages total equity of £8,538,000 *(2018: £7,655,000)* as capital.

The Company is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements.

The Company also complies with Group mandated Capital Management Risk Standards which include the setting of risk appetites which are designed to give some buffer against adverse events when compared with minimum solvency. These appetites define what action should be taken by management where the actual capital level is above or below the desired target level.

15. Risk management

The Company operates within the UK Life risk management framework that forms an integral part of the management and Board processes and decision-making framework, aligned to the Group's risk management framework. The key elements of the risk management framework comprise risk appetite; risk governance, including risk policies and business standards, risk oversight committees and roles and responsibilities; and the processes UK Life uses to identify, measure, manage, monitor and report ("IMMMR") risks, including the use of risk models and stress and scenario testing.

For the purposes of risk identification and measurement, and aligned to UK Life's risk policies, risks are usually grouped by risk type: credit, market, liquidity, life insurance (including long-term health), operational risk. Risks falling within these types may affect a number of metrics including those relating to statement of financial position strength, liquidity and profit.

To promote a consistent and rigorous approach to risk management across the business, UK Life has a set of risk policies and business standards which set out the risk strategy, appetite, framework and minimum requirements for UK Life's operations. The business chief executive officer makes an annual declaration that the system of governance and internal controls was effective and fit for purpose for their business throughout the year; this declaration is supported by an opinion from the Chief Risk Officer.

A regular top-down key risk identification and assessment process is carried out by the risk function. This includes the consideration of emerging risks and is supported by deeper thematic reviews. The risk assessment processes are used to generate risk reports which are shared with the relevant committees.

Risk models are an important tool in the measurement of risks and are used to support the monitoring and reporting of the risk profile and in the consideration of the risk management actions available. UK Life carries out a range of stress (where one risk factor, such as equity returns, is assumed to vary) and scenario (where combinations of risk factors are assumed to vary) tests to evaluate their impact on the business and the management actions available to respond to the conditions envisaged.

Roles and responsibilities for risk management in UK Life are based around the 'three lines of defence model' where ownership for risk is taken at all levels. Line management in the business is accountable for risk management, including the implementation of the risk management framework and embedding of the risk culture. The risk function is accountable for quantitative and qualitative oversight and challenge of the IMMMR processes and for developing the risk management framework. Internal Audit provides an independent assessment of the risk management framework and internal control processes.

Board oversight of risk and risk management across UK Life is maintained on a regular basis through its Risk Committee. The Board has overall responsibility for determining risk appetite, which is an expression of the risk the business is willing to take. Risk appetites are set relative to capital and liquidity.

UK Life's position against risk appetite is monitored and reported to the Board on a regular basis. Long-term sustainability depends upon the protection of franchise value. The oversight of risk and risk management is supported by the Asset Liability Committee ("ALCO"), which focuses on insurance and financial risks, and the Operational Risk Committee ("ORC"), which focuses on operational and reputational risks.

Further information on the types and management of specific risk types is given in sections (a) to (d) below.

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(a) Market risk

Market risk is the risk of adverse financial impact resulting directly or indirectly from fluctuations in interest rates, inflation, foreign currency exchange rates, equity and property prices. Market risk arises due to fluctuations in both the value of liabilities and the value of investments held.

(b) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss as a result of the default or failure of third parties to meet their payment obligations to the Company, or variations in market values as a result of changes in expectations related to these risks.

The nature of the Company's business means that it is not exposed to significant credit risk. This is because its receivables are entirely intercompany balances. A significant amount of business relates to the Aviva Group of companies and exposure is managed through regular and timely payments. At the balance sheet date there are no material financial assets subject to credit risk that are past due or impaired.

As at the reporting date, no lifetime expected credit losses have been recognised in relation to receivables.

The Company's approach to managing credit risk recognises that there is a risk of adverse financial impact resulting from fluctuations in credit quality of third parties including default, rating transition and credit spread movements.

Financial assets are graded according to current external credit ratings issued. AAA is the highest possible rating. Investment grade financial assets are classified within the range of AAA to BBB ratings. Financial assets which fall outside this range are classified as sub-investment grade.

The following table provides information regarding the aggregated credit risk exposure, for financial investments of the company at 31 December 2019 and 2018. Financial investments held are not rated.

		2019
	Not rated	**Total**
	£'000	**£'000**
Unit trusts	**4,835**	**4,835**

		2018
	Not rated	Total
	£'000	£'000
Unit trusts	5,002	5,002

The carrying amount of assets included in the statement of financial position represents the maximum credit exposure.

(c) Liquidity risk

The nature of the business means that the Company is not exposed to significant liquidity risk. ALCO seeks to determine that the Company has sufficient financial resources to meet its obligations as they fall due.

The Company has no liabilities with a contractual maturity date and as such no analysis of liabilities based on the remaining period at the statement of financial position date to their contractual maturity is supplied.

(d) Sensitivity analysis and capital management

No profit sensitivity analysis has been provided as there is a negligible impact on profit and shareholders' equity of reasonably possible changes in market risk variables.

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16. Related party transactions

The Company has the following transactions with related parties which include parent companies and subsidiaries, in the normal course of business.
The members of the Board of Directors are listed on page 3 of these financial statements. There are no amounts receivable from or payments due to members of the Board of Directors.

(a) Amounts receivable from related parties

	2019	2018
	£'000	£'000
Fellow subsidiaries	**3,709**	2,724

The related party receivables are not secured, and no guarantees were received in respect thereof. No provision or expense has been recognised during the year in respect of bad and doubtful debts *(2018: £nil).*

(b) Key management compensation

There are no amounts receivable from or payments due to members of the Board of Directors.

(c) Parent entity

The immediate parent undertaking is Aviva Life & Pensions UK Limited, registered in England.

(d) Ultimate controlling entity

The ultimate controlling entity, and parent of the largest and smallest groups which consolidate the results of the Company, is Aviva plc. Its Group Financial Statements are available on application to the Group Company Secretary, Aviva plc, St Helen's, 1 Undershaft, London EC3P 3DQ, and on the Aviva plc website at www.aviva.com.

17. Subsequent events

On 11 March 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of a strain of novel coronavirus disease, COVID-19, a global pandemic. Governments in affected areas have imposed a number of measures designed to contain the outbreak, including business closures, travel restrictions, stay at home orders and cancellations of gatherings and events. The spread of COVID-19 has resulted in an economic downturn in jurisdictions in which the Company operates and the global economy more widely, as well as causing increased volatility and declines in financial markets. If the pandemic is prolonged, or further diseases emerge that give rise to similar effects, the adverse impact on the global economy could be deepened and result in further declines in financial markets.

Since the onset of the pandemic the Company has remained operational with key activities being maintained. As the situation is rapidly evolving it is not practicable to quantify the potential impact of volatile financial markets on expected earnings or the Company at this stage.