

MDS GLOBAL LIMITED
ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

MDS GLOBAL LIMITED

COMPANY INFORMATION

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STRATEGIC REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

Introduction

The directors present their strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Business review

The Directors aim to present a balanced and comprehensive review of the development and performance of the business during the year, and its position at the year-end. Our review is consistent with the size and non-complex nature of the business and is written in the context of the risks and uncertainties we face.

Principal risks and uncertainties

Like many businesses the Company is exposed to a number of risks and uncertainties and managing these risks is an integral part of our business. The principal risks are as follows:

Competition: The company operates in a highly competitive global market. This requires the company to continue to innovate and be highly responsive to market demands. The Company mitigates this risk by investing continuously in marketing, solution strategy, design and technology to ensure it remains at the head of its field and delivers solutions which are cost-effective, flexible and relevant over the long term to its target market segments. In addition, the company builds long term relationships with its customers. As well as entering into long term licences and contracts for services, it works to ensure continuity through the provision of high quality solutions and services which meet the exacting standards of its customers.

Security: Like most businesses cyber threats pose a risk to our business. We recognise the potential impact of a security breach on our business in terms of reputational damage. We therefore invest in both technology and internal controls to ensure our infrastructure remains secure.

People: The Company recognises the importance of key people to facilitate the continued growth profile of the business. The business maximises staff retention by investing in training programmes.

Political: The result of the UK referendum to leave the European Union ('Brexit') has increased the political uncertainty on the UK. We have considered the implications for the business and have concluded it is unlikely to have any material adverse impact on the business.

Financial key performance indicators

The directors use the Key Performance Indicators defined by our parent group to manage the business. The key performance indicators are revenue growth:

	2021	2020
Turnover	£25,855,807	£26,054,962
Revenue Growth	-0.8%	0.7%
Operating profit	£8,867,834	£5,363,888
Operating profit margin	34.3%	20.6%

Revenues declined 0.8% in the year driven by slight reduction in software licence revenue. Recurring revenues grew 4% in year due to a continued focus on securing subscription-based contracts. Our operating profit margin increased from 20.6% to 34.3% generating an operating profit for the year of £8.8m. Operating margins are expected to continue positively.

The Directors consider these results to be satisfactory.

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**STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED)
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This report was approved by the board on 28 September 2022 and signed on its behalf.

D. W. Nyland
Director

**DIRECTORS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Directors' responsibilities statement

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic report, the Directors' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'. 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 for the Company's financial statements and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments 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;
- 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 to 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.

Principal activity

The principal activity of the company during the period was the provision of software and managed services for Communication Service Providers in the Telecommunications Industry. The company provides Cloud solutions for convergent real time charging, billing and customer management.

Results and dividends

The profit for the year, after taxation, amounted to £7,727,407 (2020 - £4,536,133).

The directors recommend a dividend of £4,500,000 for the year.

Directors

The directors who served during the year were:

B. Beattie
M. R. Miller (appointed 30 April 2021)
D. W. Nyland
B. Troy (resigned 30 April 2021)

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**DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

Future developments

The Company continues to look to secure new customer contracts and develop its relationships with its existing customers

Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are directors at the time when this Directors' report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and
- the director has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

Post balance sheet events

There have been no significant events affecting the Company since the year end.

Auditors

The auditors, Langtons Professional Services Limited, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the board on 28 September 2022 and signed on its behalf.

D. W. Nyland
Director

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MDS GLOBAL LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of MDS Global Limited (the 'Company') for the year ended 31 December 2021, which comprise the Statement of comprehensive income, the Statement of financial position, the Statement of changes in equity and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 December 2021 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' 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 United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council'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 Auditors' 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.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MDS GLOBAL LIMITED (CONTINUED)

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

- the information given in the Strategic report and the Directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Strategic report and the Directors' report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the Company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Strategic report or the Directors' report.

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, 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.

Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the Directors' responsibilities statement set out on page 3, 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.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MDS GLOBAL LIMITED (CONTINUED)

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.

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:

The objectives of our audit, in respect to fraud, are:

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

However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and management.

Our approach was as follows:

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the Company and determined that the most significant are those that relate to the reporting framework (FRS 102 and the Companies Act 2006), the relevant tax compliance regulations in the UK and the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).
- We understood how the Company is complying with those frameworks by making enquiries of management. Through consideration of the results of our audit procedures we were able to either corroborate or provide contrary evidence which was then followed up.
- Based on our understanding we designed our audit procedures to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations. Our procedures involved:

enquiries of management; and

journal entry testing, with a focus on manual journals indicating large or unusual transactions based on our understanding of the business.

- We assessed the susceptibility of the Company's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur by meeting with management to understand where it considered there was susceptibility to fraud. We also considered performance targets and their propensity to influence efforts made by management to manage revenue and earnings. Where the risk was considered to be higher, including areas impacting key performance indicators or management remuneration, we performed audit procedures to address each identified fraud risk or other risk of material misstatement. These procedures included those on revenue recognition detailed above, the assessment of items identified by management as non-recurring and testing manual journals and were designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements were free from material fraud or error.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MDS GLOBAL LIMITED (CONTINUED)

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

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditors' 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.

Eifion Roberts (Senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of

Langtons Professional Services Limited

Chartered Accountants

Statutory Auditor

100 Old Hall Street

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28 September 2022

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**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Turnover	4	25,855,807	26,054,962
Gross profit		25,855,807	26,054,962
Administrative expenses		(16,987,973)	(20,828,825)
Other operating income	5	-	137,751
Operating profit	6	8,867,834	5,363,888
Interest receivable and similar income	10	-	4,615
Profit before tax		8,867,834	5,368,503
Tax on profit	11	(1,140,427)	(832,370)
Profit for the financial year		<u>7,727,407</u>	<u>4,536,133</u>

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2021 or 2020 other than those included in the statement of comprehensive income.

There was no other comprehensive income for 2021 (2020:£NIL).

The notes on pages 12 to 28 form part of these financial statements.

MDS GLOBAL LIMITED
REGISTERED NUMBER: 02263085

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	13	306,266	637,166
Tangible assets	14	194,540	497,789
Investments	15	2	3
		500,808	1,134,958
Current assets			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	16	14,471,492	12,352,640
Cash at bank and in hand	17	437,472	204,641
		14,908,964	12,557,281
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18	(6,622,451)	(7,511,637)
Net current assets		8,286,513	5,045,644
Total assets less current liabilities		8,787,321	6,180,602
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	19	(620,696)	(1,241,384)
Net assets		8,166,625	4,939,218
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	22	100	100
Share premium account	23	299,988	299,988
Profit and loss account	23	7,866,537	4,639,130
		8,166,625	4,939,218

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on 28 September 2022.

D. W. Nyland
Director

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	Called up share capital £	Share premium account £	Profit and loss account £	Total equity £
At 1 January 2020	100	299,988	2,602,997	2,903,085
Comprehensive income for the year				
Profit for the year	-	-	4,536,133	4,536,133
Dividends: Equity capital	-	-	(2,500,000)	(2,500,000)
At 1 January 2021	100	299,988	4,639,130	4,939,218
Comprehensive income for the year				
Profit for the year	-	-	7,727,407	7,727,407
Contributions by and distributions to owners				
Dividends: Equity capital	-	-	(4,500,000)	(4,500,000)
At 31 December 2021	<u>100</u>	<u>299,988</u>	<u>7,866,537</u>	<u>8,166,625</u>

The notes on pages 12 to 28 form part of these financial statements.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

1. General information

MDS Global Limited is a private limited liability company, limited by shares and registered in England and Wales in the United Kingdom. The registered office is Suite 423 Chadwick House, Birchwood Park, Birchwood, Warrington, Cheshire, WA3 6AE and the company number is 02263085.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise specified within these accounting policies and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006.

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgment in applying the Company's accounting policies (see note 3).

The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

2.2 Exemption from preparing consolidated financial statements

The Company is a parent Company that is also a subsidiary included in the consolidated financial statements of its ultimate parent undertaking established under the law of a non-EEA state and is therefore exempt from the requirement to prepare consolidated financial statements under section 401 of the Companies Act 2006.

2.3 Going concern

The company remains profitable and meets its day to day working capital requirements through its own cash funds.

The company's forecasts and projections, taking account of reasonably possible changes in trading performance, show that the company should be able to operate within the level of its current cash resources.

After making enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus, the directors continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.4 Foreign currency translation

Functional and presentation currency

The Company's functional and presentational currency is GBP.

Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the spot exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

At each period end foreign currency monetary items are translated using the closing rate. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction and non-monetary items measured at fair value are measured using the exchange rate when fair value was determined.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in profit or loss except when deferred in other comprehensive income as qualifying cash flow hedges.

Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to borrowings and cash and cash equivalents are presented in the Statement of comprehensive income within 'finance income or costs'. All other foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in profit or loss within 'other operating income'.

2.5 Revenue

Turnover represents amounts recognised over the period of contracts for the provision of services which fall within the company's ordinary activities, after deduction of trade discounts and value added tax. The turnover and pre-tax result are attributable to the design, sale and installation of bespoke subscriber management software and the provision of a Managed Service for participants in the Telecommunications industry.

Revenue is recognised over the period of the contract in accordance with the associated costs and services provided.

Profit is recognised on long-term contracts if the final outcome can be assessed with reasonable certainty, by including in the profit and loss account turnover and related costs as contract activity progresses. Turnover is calculated by reference to the value of work performed to date as a proportion of the total contract value.

Where a contract is predicted to be loss making, a provision for the expected contract losses is made.

2.6 Operating leases: the Company as lessee

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Benefits received and receivable as an incentive to sign an operating lease are recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term, unless another systematic basis is representative of the time pattern of the lessee's benefit from the use of the leased asset.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.7 Research and development

In the research phase of an internal project it is not possible to demonstrate that the project will generate future economic benefits and hence all expenditure on research shall be recognised as an expense when it is incurred. Intangible assets are recognised from the development phase of a project if and only if certain specific criteria are met in order to demonstrate the asset will generate probable future economic benefits and that its cost can be reliably measured. The capitalised development costs are subsequently amortised on a straight line basis over their useful economic lives, which range from 3 to 6 years.

If it is not possible to distinguish between the research phase and the development phase of an internal project, the expenditure is treated as if it were all incurred in the research phase only.

2.8 Government grants

Grants are accounted under the accruals model as permitted by FRS 102. Grants relating to expenditure on tangible fixed assets are credited to profit or loss at the same rate as the depreciation on the assets to which the grant relates. The deferred element of grants is included in creditors as deferred income.

Grants of a revenue nature are recognised in the Statement of comprehensive income in the same period as the related expenditure.

2.9 Interest income

Interest income is recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

2.10 Pensions

Defined contribution pension plan

The Company operates a defined contribution plan for its employees. A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Company pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. Once the contributions have been paid the Company has no further payment obligations.

The contributions are recognised as an expense in profit or loss when they fall due. Amounts not paid are shown in accruals as a liability in the Statement of financial position. The assets of the plan are held separately from the Company in independently administered funds.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.11 Current and deferred taxation

The tax expense for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in profit or loss except that a charge attributable to an item of income and expense recognised as other comprehensive income or to an item recognised directly in equity is also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date in the countries where the Company operates and generates income.

Deferred tax balances are recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed by the reporting date, except that:

- The recognition of deferred tax assets is limited to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits; and
- Any deferred tax balances are reversed if and when all conditions for retaining associated tax allowances have been met.

Deferred tax balances are not recognised in respect of permanent differences except in respect of business combinations, when deferred tax is recognised on the differences between the fair values of assets acquired and the future tax deductions available for them and the differences between the fair values of liabilities acquired and the amount that will be assessed for tax. Deferred tax is determined using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

2.12 Intangible assets

Intangible assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, intangible assets are measured at cost less any accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses.

All intangible assets are considered to have a finite useful life. If a reliable estimate of the useful life cannot be made, the useful life shall not exceed ten years.

2.13 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets under the cost model are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.13 Tangible fixed assets (continued)

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Short-term leasehold property	- 5 years
Office equipment	- 5 years
Computer equipment	- 3 years

The assets' residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted prospectively if appropriate, or if there is an indication of a significant change since the last reporting date.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised in profit or loss.

2.14 Impairment of fixed assets and goodwill

Assets that are subject to depreciation or amortisation are assessed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication that the assets are impaired. Where there is any indication that an asset may be impaired, the carrying value of the asset (or cash-generating unit to which the asset has been allocated) is tested for impairment. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's (or CGU's) fair value less costs to sell and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (CGUs). Non-financial assets that have been previously impaired are reviewed at each reporting date to assess whether there is any indication that the impairment losses recognised in prior periods may no longer exist or may have decreased.

2.15 Valuation of investments

Investments in subsidiaries are measured at cost less accumulated impairment.

2.16 Debtors

Short-term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment. Loans receivable are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

2.17 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of not more than 24 hours. Cash equivalents are highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant risk of change in value.

2.18 Creditors

Short-term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other financial liabilities, including bank loans, are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.19 Financial instruments

The Company only enters into basic financial instrument transactions that result in the recognition of financial assets and liabilities like trade and other debtors and creditors, loans from banks and other third parties, loans to related parties and investments in ordinary shares.

Debt instruments (other than those wholly repayable or receivable within one year), including loans and other accounts receivable and payable, are initially measured at present value of the future cash flows and subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Debt instruments that are payable or receivable within one year, typically trade debtors and creditors, are measured, initially and subsequently, at the undiscounted amount of the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received. However, if the arrangements of a short-term instrument constitute a financing transaction, like the payment of a trade debt deferred beyond normal business terms or in case of an out-right short-term loan that is not at market rate, the financial asset or liability is measured, initially at the present value of future cash flows discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument and subsequently at amortised cost, unless it qualifies as a loan from a director in the case of a small company, or a public benefit entity concessionary loan.

Financial assets that are measured at cost and amortised cost are assessed at the end of each reporting period for objective evidence of impairment. If objective evidence of impairment is found, an impairment loss is recognised in the Statement of comprehensive income.

For financial assets measured at amortised cost, the impairment loss is measured as the difference between an asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. If a financial asset has a variable interest rate, the discount rate for measuring any impairment loss is the current effective interest rate determined under the contract.

For financial assets measured at cost less impairment, the impairment loss is measured as the difference between an asset's carrying amount and best estimate of the recoverable amount, which is an approximation of the amount that the Company would receive for the asset if it were to be sold at the reporting date.

2.20 Dividends

Equity dividends are recognised when they become legally payable. Interim equity dividends are recognised when paid. Final equity dividends are recognised when approved by the shareholders at an annual general meeting.

3. Judgments in applying accounting policies and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The directors have made judgements regarding the amortisation of intangible fixed assets, depreciation of tangible fixed assets, value of deferred tax asset recognised and the value of various accruals / provisions within creditors, including the value of the dilapidation provision.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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4. Turnover

The whole of the turnover is attributable to the principle activity of the company.

Analysis of turnover by country of destination:

	2021	2020
	£	£
United Kingdom	21,987,509	21,831,457
Rest of Europe	1,806,742	2,181,447
Rest of the world	2,061,556	2,042,058
	<u>25,855,807</u>	<u>26,054,962</u>

5. Other operating income

	2021	2020
	£	£
Government grants receivable	-	137,751
	<u>-</u>	<u>137,751</u>

6. Operating profit

The operating profit is stated after charging:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Research & development charged as an expense	68,905	105,026
Exchange differences	55,412	(46,345)
Other operating lease rentals	<u>523,325</u>	<u>536,670</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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7. Auditors' remuneration

	2021	2020
	£	£
Fees payable to the Company's auditor and its associates for the audit of the Company's annual financial statements	<u>10,300</u>	<u>10,000</u>
Fees payable to the Company's auditor and its associates in respect of:		
Taxation compliance services	<u>3,075</u>	<u>3,000</u>
	<u>3,075</u>	<u>3,000</u>

8. Employees

Staff costs were as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Wages and salaries	7,569,230	9,882,485
Social security costs	908,251	1,157,591
Cost of defined contribution scheme	285,966	384,110
	<u>8,763,447</u>	<u>11,424,186</u>

The average monthly number of employees, including the directors, during the year was as follows:

	2021	2020
	No.	No.
Staff	<u>131</u>	<u>176</u>

9. Directors' remuneration

The highest paid director received remuneration of £NIL (2020 - £NIL).

The value of the Company's contributions paid to a defined contribution pension scheme in respect of the highest paid director amounted to £NIL (2020 - £NIL).

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10. Interest receivable

	2021	2020
	£	£
Other interest receivable	-	4,615
	<u>-</u>	<u>4,615</u>
	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>4,615</u></u>

11. Taxation

	2021	2020
	£	£
Corporation tax		
Current tax on profits for the year	1,305,403	326,339
Adjustments in respect of previous periods	-	(319)
	<u>1,305,403</u>	<u>326,020</u>
	<u><u>1,305,403</u></u>	<u><u>326,020</u></u>
Double taxation relief	-	(33,547)
	<u>1,305,403</u>	<u>292,473</u>
	<u><u>1,305,403</u></u>	<u><u>292,473</u></u>
Foreign tax		
Foreign tax on income for the year	-	33,547
	<u>-</u>	<u>33,547</u>
	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>33,547</u></u>
Total current tax	<u><u>1,305,403</u></u>	<u><u>326,020</u></u>
Deferred tax		
Origination and reversal of timing differences	164,976	675,840
Changes to tax rates	(72,349)	(180,470)
Adjustments in respect of previous periods	-	10,980
Utilisation of tax losses	(257,603)	-
	<u>(164,976)</u>	<u>506,350</u>
Total deferred tax	<u><u>(164,976)</u></u>	<u><u>506,350</u></u>
Taxation on profit on ordinary activities	<u><u>1,140,427</u></u>	<u><u>832,370</u></u>

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11. Taxation (continued)**Factors affecting tax charge for the year**

The tax assessed for the year is lower than (2020 - lower than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2020 - 19%). The differences are explained below:

	2021 £	2020 £
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	<u>8,867,834</u>	<u>5,368,503</u>
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2020 - 19%)	1,684,888	1,020,016
Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes, other than goodwill amortisation and impairment	304	31
Fixed asset differences	-	5,288
Utilisation of tax losses	(257,603)	-
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of prior periods	-	10,661
Remeasurement of deferred tax for changes in tax rates	(288,865)	(180,470)
Adjustment in research and development tax credit leading to an increase (decrease) in the tax charge	1,703	(23,120)
Group relief	-	(36)
Total tax charge for the year	<u>1,140,427</u>	<u>832,370</u>

Factors that may affect future tax charges

There were no factors that may affect future tax charges.

12. Dividends

	2021 £	2020 £
Ordinary shares	<u>4,500,000</u>	<u>2,500,000</u>
	<u>4,500,000</u>	<u>2,500,000</u>

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13. Intangible assets

	Develop- ment expenditure £	Computer software £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 January 2021	1,323,611	1,928,330	3,251,941
At 31 December 2021	<u>1,323,611</u>	<u>1,928,330</u>	<u>3,251,941</u>
Amortisation			
At 1 January 2021	686,445	1,928,330	2,614,775
Charge for the year on owned assets	330,900	-	330,900
At 31 December 2021	<u>1,017,345</u>	<u>1,928,330</u>	<u>2,945,675</u>
Net book value			
At 31 December 2021	<u>306,266</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>306,266</u>
<i>At 31 December 2020</i>	<u>637,166</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>637,166</u>

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14. Tangible fixed assets

	Short-term leasehold property £	Office equipment £	Computer equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 January 2021	939,147	45,078	1,582,233	2,566,458
Disposals	(515,521)	(26,406)	(700,369)	(1,242,296)
At 31 December 2021	<u>423,626</u>	<u>18,672</u>	<u>881,864</u>	<u>1,324,162</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 January 2021	688,887	39,164	1,340,616	2,068,667
Charge for the year on owned assets	116,772	4,435	182,044	303,251
Disposals	(515,521)	(26,406)	(700,369)	(1,242,296)
At 31 December 2021	<u>290,138</u>	<u>17,193</u>	<u>822,291</u>	<u>1,129,622</u>
Net book value				
At 31 December 2021	<u>133,488</u>	<u>1,479</u>	<u>59,573</u>	<u>194,540</u>
<i>At 31 December 2020</i>	<u>250,259</u>	<u>5,914</u>	<u>241,616</u>	<u>497,789</u>

15. Fixed asset investments

	Investments in subsidiary companies £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 January 2021	3
Amounts written off	(1)
At 31 December 2021	<u>2</u>

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Subsidiary undertakings

The following were subsidiary undertakings of the Company:

Name	Registered office	Class of shares	Holding
Martin Dawes Technologies Limited (Dissolved 5th July 2022)	The Point, 410 Birchwood Boulevard, Warrington, WA3 7WD, UK	Ordinary	100 %
Ever 1127 Limited (Dissolved 5th July 2022)	The Point, 410 Birchwood Boulevard, Warrington, WA3 7WD, UK	Ordinary	100 %

The aggregate of the share capital and reserves as at 31 December 2021 and the profit or loss for the year ended on that date for the subsidiary undertakings was as follows:

Name	Aggregate of share capital and reserves
	£
Martin Dawes Technologies Limited (Dissolved 5th July 2022)	-
Ever 1127 Limited (Dissolved 5th July 2022)	1

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16. Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade debtors	2,731,940	4,057,255
Amounts owed by group undertakings	9,183,253	6,212,670
Other debtors	86,153	123,995
Prepayments and accrued income	1,266,543	920,093
Deferred taxation	1,203,603	1,038,627
	<u>14,471,492</u>	<u>12,352,640</u>

17. Cash and cash equivalents

	2021 £	2020 £
Cash at bank and in hand	437,472	204,641
	<u>437,472</u>	<u>204,641</u>

18. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade creditors	488,982	637,113
Amounts owed to group undertakings	442,723	270,717
Corporation tax	581,833	251,551
Other taxation and social security	787,668	1,381,087
Other creditors	696,737	912,020
Accruals and deferred income	3,624,508	4,059,149
	<u>6,622,451</u>	<u>7,511,637</u>

19. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Accruals and deferred income	620,696	1,241,384
	<u>620,696</u>	<u>1,241,384</u>

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20. Financial instruments

	2021	2020
	£	£
Financial assets		
Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss	<u>437,472</u>	<u>204,641</u>

Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss comprise bank and cash in hand.

21. Deferred taxation

	2021
	£
At beginning of year	1,038,627
Charged to profit or loss	164,976
At end of year	<u><u>1,203,603</u></u>

The deferred tax balance is made up as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Accelerated capital allowances	1,072,039	937,432
Short term timing differences	131,564	101,195
	<u>1,203,603</u>	<u>1,038,627</u>
Comprising:		
Asset - due within one year	<u>1,203,603</u>	<u>1,038,627</u>
	<u><u>1,203,603</u></u>	<u><u>1,038,627</u></u>

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22. Share capital

	2021	2020
	£	£
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
10,000 (2020 - 10,000) Ordinary shares of £0.01 each	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>

23. Reserves

Share premium account

The share premium account represents the premium paid on issue of shares.

Profit and loss account

The profit and loss account represents the total of all profits and losses made to date, less dividends paid.

24. Pension commitments

The Company pays into personal pension plans. The assets of the plans are held separately from those of the Company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the Company to the plans and amounted to £285,966 (2020 - £384,110). Contributions totalling £55,142 (2020 - £65,500) were payable to the fund at the reporting date and are included in creditors.

25. Commitments under operating leases

At 31 December 2021 the Company had future minimum lease payments due under non-cancellable operating leases for each of the following periods:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Not later than 1 year	537,928	538,255
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	473,962	1,011,891
	<u>1,011,890</u>	<u>1,550,146</u>

26. Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption under paragraph 33.1A of FRS 102 and has not disclosed transactions with other wholly owned group companies.

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27. Controlling party

The immediate parent company is MDS CEM Holdings Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.

The ultimate parent undertaking is Constellation Software Inc., a company incorporated in Canada. Copies of the consolidated financial statements of Constellation Software Inc. are publicly available from Rivington House, Drumhead Road, Chorley, Lancashire, PR6 7BX.

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