# **Annual report and financial statements**

# **Lanark Master Issuer PLC**

For the year ended 30 September 2023

Company Number: 06302751

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# Strategic report

The Directors of Lanark Master Issuer PLC (the "Company") present their Strategic report for the year ended 30 September 2023.

### Principal activities and business structure

The Company is a Special Purpose Vehicle ("SPV") which was established as part of Clydesdale Bank PLC's ("CB PLC") Lanark Residential Mortgage Backed Securities Programme (the "Programme"). The Programme was established primarily for the purpose of raising wholesale funding for the Programme Sponsor ("Sponsor") CB PLC.

The Company is incorporated under the Companies Act 2006 and registered in England and Wales as a public limited company. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of Lanark Funding Limited ("LFL"), the immediate parent entity, which is incorporated under the Companies Act 2006 and registered in England and Wales. The ultimate controlling entity is Virgin Money UK PLC ("VMUK PLC"). VMUK PLC and its subsidiary undertakings, which include CB PLC, comprise the Virgin Money UK PLC Group ("Group"). Further detail of the group structure is disclosed in note 1.1 to the financial statements.

The principal activity of the Company is the issuance of limited recourse class A and class Z Residential Mortgage Backed Loan Notes (the "Notes"), under the Programme, for onward lending to LFL. The Notes in issue have a legal maturity date of December 2069. The class A Notes are listed on the London Stock Exchange. The proceeds of the Notes were advanced via Global Intercompany Loans ("Intercompany Loans") to LFL who applied the proceeds to acquire interests in a pool of residential mortgage loans held on trust by Lanark Trustees Limited ("LTL").

The Programme documentation relating to the Programme structure defines certain prescribed roles and terms and should be read in conjunction with these financial statements. The Programme documentation can be found on the Virgin Money UK debt investors relations page at: https://www.virginmoneyukplc.com/investor-relations/debt-investors/lanark-programme/.

# Financial analysis

During the year, the Programme raised additional funds of £1,300m by issuing the 2022-2 1A in November 2022 and 2023-1 1A in May 2023, offset by a £60m decrease in the class Z Variable Funding Notes ("VFN"). These movements were matched in the associated Intercompany Loans. There were also scheduled repayments of £1,007m including the full redemption of Notes 2018-1 2A in February 2023, 2018-2 2A in August 2023, 2019-2 2A and 2020-1 1A in November 2023 along with the associated Intercompany Loans.

The class A Notes and associated Intercompany Loans are subject to controlled amortisation, with the maximum repayment on each payment date set out in the Programme documentation. The Company is only obliged to make repayments of interest and principal in respect of the Notes, to the extent that repayments are received from LFL in respect of the Intercompany Loans. Repayments are ultimately dependent on there being sufficient principal receipts from the borrowers of the underlying mortgage loans in the Trust Property or Sponsor cash contributions as outlined in the Programme documentation.

The Company receives income from the Intercompany Loans, in line with the requirements of the Notes. Under the terms of the Programme, the Company is entitled to retain a predetermined profit balance (before the net effect of fair value gains and losses). For the year ended 30 September 2023 this equated to £12,000 (2022: £12,000). Additional income required to meet the predefined profit balance accrues from LFL as deferred consideration of £1,399,000 (2022: £2,317,000). Deferred consideration is described in note 1.4 to the financial statements.

The combined performance of the receipts under the Intercompany Loan and payments made on the Notes has been in line with expectations.

The loss before tax for the year of £157,000 (2022: loss of £670,000) was due to the net effect of the fair value loss of £169,000 (2022: loss of £682,000) which resulted from fair value movements on cross currency swaps designated in a fair value hedge relationship with note 2020-1 A terminated in November 2022. This is excluded from the calculation of predetermined profit as the effect is expected to unwind over the life of the swaps.

# Key performance indicators ("KPIs")

The Company's Directors are of the opinion that analysis using KPIs is not necessary for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the Company.

### Section 172(1) statement

In accordance with the Companies Act 2006 as amended by the Companies (Miscellaneous Reporting) Regulations 2018, the Directors provide this statement describing how they have had regard to the matters set out in section 172(1) when performing their duty to promote the success of the Company.

In accordance with the Large and Medium-sized Companies and Groups (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 as amended by the Companies (Miscellaneous Reporting) Regulations 2018, this statement also provides details of how the Directors have engaged with and had regard to the interest of key stakeholders. In accordance with section 426B of the Companies Act 2006, this statement is also available on the Virgin Money UK debt investors relations page at https://www.virginmoneyukplc.com/investor-relations/.

# Strategic report (continued)

### Section 172(1) statement (continued)

As an SPV, the governance structure and key policies to achieve the objectives of section 172(1) were set out in the Programme documentation at inception of the Programme. Therefore, compliance with the Programme documentation ensures regard for the matters set out in section 172(1) as follows:

- The Programme documentation sets out the principal transactions that will be undertaken to achieve the purpose and objectives
  of the Company, while ensuring the Company's assets are safeguarded;
- The Company has appointed third parties to perform various roles as specified in the Programme documentation. Fees and conditions were agreed at inception and are paid in line with the Programmes' priority of payments schedule;
- In accordance with the securitisation tax regime, the Company is only permitted to retain minimal profit;
- The limited nature and range of activities of an SPV mean the Company has no employees and engagement with community and environmental stakeholders is not relevant for consideration; and
- The Company has a sole member, LFL, which also forms part of the Programme. CB PLC is the Sponsor of the Programme and where matters impact the wider Group, stakeholder engagement is led by the VMUK PLC Board.

# **Future developments**

The Company was established as a structured entity to issue Notes under the Programme. The Directors continue to monitor the economic environment and financial markets with regard to the further issuance of Notes. No changes in future activities are envisaged.

Despite the United Kingdom ("UK") economy gradually recovering from last years increase in energy prices and inflation levels aggravated by the ongoing conflict in Ukraine, the outlook continues to be uncertain with the tightening of monetary policy potentially leading to a further slowdown in growth and technical recession.

# Principal risks and uncertainties

The Company is exposed to changes in market variables such as floating rate interest obligations arising from pounds sterling ("GBP") denominated Notes and exchange rate movements on United States Dollar ("USD") denominated Notes. These risks are mitigated by the terms of the Intercompany Loans to LFL, by the limited recourse nature of the Notes issued and by using cross currency swaps. Aligned to the Group approach, climate risk has been assessed as a potential future risk of the Company and has been deemed to have no material impact in these financial statements. The main features of the Company's internal control and risk management systems are set out in note 4.3 to the financial statements.

The risks and challenges identified in the financial statements do not represent an exhaustive list of the risks and issues associated with the Company. Other risks and issues not specifically referenced may adversely impact the future financial position and performance of the Company. Accordingly, no assurances or guarantees of future performance, profitability or returns on capital are given by the Company.

# Financial risk management

The Company's principal financial assets are the Intercompany Loans and the associated risks are the potential impairments in the carrying value of the underlying assets which LFL acquired and the floating rate interest obligations under the Notes issued. The financial risk management policies are discussed further in note 4.3 to the financial statements.

This report was approved by the Board of Directors on 12 December 2023 and was signed on its behalf by:

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Christopher Upton Director

12 December 2023

# **Directors' report**

The Directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2023.

#### Corporate governance

The Directors have been charged with governance in accordance with the Programme documentation, describing the structure and operation of the Programme. The governance structure of the Company is such that the key policies have been predetermined at inception and the operational roles have been assigned to third parties with their roles strictly governed by the Programme documentation.

The Programme documentation provides procedures that have been designed for safeguarding assets against unauthorised use or disposition; for maintaining proper accounting records; and for the reliability and usefulness of financial information used within the business or for publication. Such procedures are designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives whilst enabling them to comply with the regulatory obligations.

Due to the nature of the securities which have been issued and the structure of the entity, the Company is largely exempt from the requirements of the Financial Conduct Authority pertaining to the Disclosure and Transparency Rules as detailed in DTR 7.1 *Audit committees* and 7.2 *Corporate governance statements* (save for the rule DTR 7.2.5 requiring description of the features of the internal control and risk management systems), which would otherwise require the Company to have an audit committee in place and include a corporate governance statement in the Directors' report. The Directors are therefore satisfied that there is no requirement for an audit committee or supervisory body entrusted to carry out the functions of an audit committee.

The main features of the Company's internal control and risk management system are set out in note 4.3 to the financial statements.

### **Profits and appropriations**

The statement of comprehensive income for the year is set out on page 12.

The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend for the year under review (2022: £Nil).

### Future developments, principal risks and financial risk management objectives and policies

Information regarding future developments, principal risks and financial risk management objectives and policies of the Company in relation to the use of financial instruments that would otherwise be required to be disclosed in the Directors' report, and which is incorporated into this report by reference, can be found in the Strategic report.

# **Directors and Directors' interests**

The Directors of the Company during the year and up to the date on which the financial statements were approved are shown on page 1.

Directors' interests

None of the Directors had any interest either during the year or at the end of the year in any material contract or arrangement with the Company.

Appointments and resignations

There have been no appointments or resignations during the year.

Directors' remuneration

None of the Directors were directly remunerated by the Company in respect of their duties as Directors of the Company. However, during the year, an expense in the amount of £12,000 (2022: £12,000) was incurred to Vistra (UK) Limited, for the provision of corporate administration services, including services of two Directors to the Company. In relation to the remaining Director, their service to the Company was performed as part of their employment with CB PLC and no remuneration was received in respect of qualifying services provided to the Company. CB PLC has not recharged the Company for the cost of this service.

# Company secretary

The company secretary during the year, and subsequently is Accomplish Secretaries Limited.

### Third party indemnities

A qualifying third-party indemnity provision for the benefit of the Directors was in force during the year and remains in force as at the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements.

### **Employees**

The Company does not have any employees.

# **Directors' report (continued)**

### Stakeholder engagement

The Directors have provided a statement in the Strategic report, describing how they have performed their duty to promote the success of the Company and how they have engaged with and had regard to the interest of key stakeholders.

The Company is a controlled entity of VMUK PLC and as such follows many of the processes and practices of this company which are further referenced in this statement where relevant. In accordance with section 426B of the Companies Act 2006, this statement is also available on the Virgin Money UK debt investors relations page at https://www.virginmoneyukplc.com/investor-relations/.

#### **Political donations**

No political donations were made in the year (2022: £Nil).

### Research and development costs

The Company does not undertake formal research and development activities.

### Related parties

Details of related party transactions are set out in note 4.2 to the financial statements.

### Share capital

Information about share capital is shown in note 3.9 to the financial statements.

### Going concern

The Directors have made an assessment of the Company's ability to continue as a going concern and are satisfied that the Company has the resources to continue in business for 12 months from the approval of the financial statements.

The Company's use of the going concern basis for preparation of the accounts is discussed in note 1.3 to the financial statements.

### Events after the balance sheet date

Note 2020-1 2A was redeemed as scheduled at the step-up date November 2023. There have been no other significant events between 30 September 2023 and the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements which would require a change to or additional disclosure in the financial statements.

### Auditors and disclosure of information to the auditors

The Directors who were members of the Board at the time of approving the Directors' report are listed on page 1. Having made enquiries of fellow Directors and of the Company's auditors, each of these Directors confirms that:

- to the best of each Director's knowledge and belief, there is no information relevant to the preparation of their report of which the Company's auditors are unaware; and
- each Director has taken all the steps a Director might reasonably be expected to have taken to be aware of relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP ("PWC") will be appointed External Auditor in place of EY with effect from the audit for the year commencing 1 October 2023, in accordance with mandatory tender requirements. In accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006, a resolution to appoint PWC as External Auditor will be proposed at the 2024 AGM.

This report was approved by the Board of Directors on 12 December 2023 and was signed on its behalf by:

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**Christopher Upton** 

Director

12 December 2023

# Statement of Directors' responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable UK 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 UK adopted International Accounting Standards ("IAS"). 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 year. In preparing these financial statements the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies in accordance with IAS 8: Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors and then apply them consistently;
- present information, including accounting policies, in a manner that provides relevant, reliable, comparable and understandable information;
- provide additional disclosures when compliance with the specific requirements in International Financial Reporting Standards
  ("IFRS") is insufficient to enable users to understand the impact of particular transactions, other events and conditions on the
  Company financial position and financial performance;
- state whether UK adopted IASs 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 responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Under applicable law and regulations, the Directors are also responsible for preparing a Strategic report and Directors' report that comply with the law and those regulations. The Directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information relating to the Company included on the Group's website.

This statement was approved by the Board of Directors on 12 December 2023 and was signed on its behalf by:

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12 December 2023

### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Lanark Master Issuer PLC (the "Company") for the year ended 30 September 2023 which comprise the Statement of comprehensive income, Balance sheet, Statement of changes in equity, Statement of cash flows and the related notes 1.1 to 4.4, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and UK adopted International Accounting Standards.

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the Company's affairs as at 30 September 2023 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK adopted International Accounting Standards; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the Finance Reporting Council's Ethical Standard as applied to listed public interest entities, 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. Our evaluation of the Directors' assessment of the Company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting included the following procedures:

- We reviewed the Directors' going concern assessment, taking into consideration the nature of the Company as a bankruptcyremote structured entity, its operations, its financial performance and position, including verifying the reasonableness of the key
  factors which could affect the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, including current economic volatility and the
  foreseeable risks of climate change.
- We obtained the Directors' forecasts and compared these forecasts against our own assessment of the reasonable prospects of the entity, including consideration of stress testing of the future performance of the Companies.
- We considered the recoverability of the assets of the Company, including the intercompany loan asset.
- We reviewed the Company's going concern disclosures included in the financial statements in order to assess whether the
  disclosures were consistent with the going concern analysis performed and in conformity with the financial reporting standards.

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 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. 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.

### Overview of our audit approach

Key audit matters	Performance and recoverability of the Intercompany Loan
Materiality	Overall materiality of £30m which represents 1% of total assets.

# An overview of the scope of our audit

# Tailoring the scope

Our assessment of audit risk, our evaluation of materiality and our allocation of performance materiality determine our audit scope for the Company. This enables us to form an opinion on the financial statements. We take into account size, risk profile, the organisation of the Company and effectiveness of controls, the potential impact of climate change and changes in the business environment when assessing the level of work to be performed. All audit work was performed directly by the audit engagement team.

### Climate change

There has been increasing interest from stakeholders as to how climate change will impact entities such as the Company. The Company has determined that the most significant future impacts from climate change on its operations will be from physical and transitional risks and has concluded that these are longer term in nature than the assets and liabilities held by the Company. These are explained on page 3 of the Strategic Report, which form part of the "Other information," rather than the audited financial statements.

## Climate change (continued)

Our procedures on these unaudited disclosures therefore consisted solely of considering whether they are materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appear to be materially misstated.

As explained in Note 1.2 to the financial statements, the Directors have considered climate risk in the preparation of the accounts. We note that governmental and societal responses to climate change risks are still developing, and are interdependent of each other, and consequently financial statements cannot capture all possible future outcomes as these are not yet known. The degree of uncertainty of these changes may also mean that they cannot be taken into account when determining asset and liability valuations and the timing of future cash flows under the requirements of UK adopted international accounting standards. Note 4.3 to the financial statements sets out the Directors' conclusion that there is no material impact from climate change on the Company's current year results or financial position.

Our audit effort in considering the impact of climate change on the financial statements was focused on ensuring that reasonably probable effects of material climate risks have been appropriately considered in the preparation of the financial statements, and particularly that any material impact appropriately reflected in the carrying value of, and disclosures associated with, the intercompany loan held by the Company. Details of our procedures and observations are included in our key audit matter below. We also challenged the Directors' considerations of climate change in their assessment of going concern and associated disclosures

Under applicable accounting standards, the potential impacts have not resulted in changes in valuation or measurement in these financial statements.

Based on our work we have not identified the impact of climate change on the financial statements to be a key audit matter.

### Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period and include the most significant assessed risks of material misstatement (whether or not due to fraud) that we identified. These matters included those which had the greatest effect on: the overall audit strategy, the allocation of resources in the audit; and directing the efforts of the engagement team. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

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derstand the assessment performed. We also	satisfied that expected credit losses relating to the intercompany loan were
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e independently evaluated this assessment, which	September 2023.
olved the following procedures:	We concluded that the financial
Considering the terms of the intercompany loan between Lanark Master Issuer plc and Lanark Funding Limited, including the potential for any expected loss events under the Lanark programme.  Confirming that interest and principal repayments made during the period were recognised appropriately, completely and in accordance with the loan agreement. This included agreeing a sample of repayments to cash transactions in the period.  Examining the loan for any indicators of potential future losses, which involved looking through to the securitised mortgage loan portfolio from which intercompany loan repayments flow and assessing whether shortfalls in mortgage recoveries are expected, as well as an assessment of the probable impact of other risk factors including current economic volatility and climate change.  Assessing the adequacy of provisions for expected credit losses recognised by the Company and assessing the sufficiency and completeness of disclosures of the risk to the intercompany loan.	We concluded that the financial statement disclosures in respect of the recoverability of the intercompany loan, including the impact of climate risks and current economic volatility, are appropriate and in accordance with the requirements of UK adopted international accounting standards.
	CLs") for the intercompany loan in order to derstand the assessment performed. We also lked through the process by which cashflows of the n were realised.  In independently evaluated this assessment, which olved the following procedures:  Considering the terms of the intercompany loan between Lanark Master Issuer plc and Lanark Funding Limited, including the potential for any expected loss events under the Lanark programme.  Confirming that interest and principal repayments made during the period were recognised appropriately, completely and in accordance with the loan agreement. This included agreeing a sample of repayments to cash transactions in the period.  Examining the loan for any indicators of potential future losses, which involved looking through to the securitised mortgage loan portfolio from which intercompany loan repayments flow and assessing whether shortfalls in mortgage recoveries are expected, as well as an assessment of the probable impact of other risk factors including current economic volatility and climate change.  Assessing the adequacy of provisions for expected credit losses recognised by the Company and assessing the sufficiency and completeness of disclosures of the risk to the

### Our application of materiality

We apply the concept of materiality in planning and performing the audit, in evaluating the effect of identified misstatements on the audit and in forming our audit opinion.

#### Materiality

The magnitude of an omission or misstatement that, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of the users of the financial statements. Materiality provides a basis for determining the nature and extent of our audit procedures.

We determined materiality for the Company to be £30m (2022: £28m), which is 1% (2022: 1%) of total assets. We believe that total assets is appropriate since the entity is a special purpose vehicle that is structured to make a nominal profit, and so the most relevant aspect of the entity is its assets.

#### Performance materiality

The application of materiality at the individual account or balance level. It is set at an amount to reduce to an appropriately low level the probability that the aggregate of uncorrected and undetected misstatements exceeds materiality.

On the basis of our risk assessments, together with our assessment of the Company's overall control environment, our judgement was that performance materiality was 75% (2022: 75%) of our planning materiality, namely £23m (2022: £21m). We have set performance materiality at this percentage due to our previous experience as auditors of the Company, from which we concluded that there is a lower expectation of material financial statement inaccuracies.

### Reporting threshold

An amount below which identified misstatements are considered as being clearly trivial.

We agreed with those charged with governance that we would report to them all uncorrected audit differences in excess of £1.5m (2022: £1.4m), which is set at 5% of planning materiality, as well as differences below that threshold that, in our view, warranted reporting on qualitative grounds.

We evaluate any uncorrected misstatements against both the quantitative measures of materiality discussed above and in light of other relevant qualitative considerations in forming our opinion.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Directors are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this 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 the other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

# Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of 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 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 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 Statement of Directors' responsibilities set out on page 6, the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

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

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

### Explanation as to what extent the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect irregularities, including fraud. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below.

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

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 UK adopted International Accounting Standards, the Companies Act 2006, the UK Listing Rules of the
  London Stock Exchange, Market Abuse Regulations, Transparency Regulations, and UK Tax legislation.
- We understood how the Company is complying with those frameworks by inquiring of the Directors and identifying the controls in place in order to comply.
- We assessed the susceptibility of the Company's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur
  by considering the controls that the Company has established to address risks identified by the entity or that otherwise seek to
  prevent, deter or detect fraud.
- Based on this understanding we designed our audit procedures to identify non-compliance with such laws and regulations. Our
  procedures involved inquiries of legal counsel, executive management, internal audit for their awareness of any known instances
  of non-compliance or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations. We also performed focused testing, as referred to in
  the Key Audit Matter section above.
- The Company operates in the capital markets industry which is a regulated environment. As such, the Senior Statutory Auditor
  considered the experience and expertise of the engagement team to ensure that the team had the appropriate competence and
  capabilities.

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

## Other matters we are required to address

- We were appointed by the Company on 30 September 2008 to audit the financial statements for that period and subsequent financial periods.
- The period of total uninterrupted engagement including previous renewals and reappointments is 16 years, covering the years ending 30 September 2008 to 30 September 2023.
- The non-audit services prohibited by the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard were not provided to the Company and we remain independent of the Company in conducting the audit.

### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

**Blake Adlem (Senior Statutory Auditor)** 

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For and on behalf of Ernst & Young LLP, Statutory Auditor Edinburgh

12 December 2023

# Statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 30 September

		2023	2022
	Note	£'000	£'000
Interest income	2.2	142,122	51,591
Interest expense	2.3	(141,696)	(51,168)
Operating income		426	423
Operating expenses	2.4	(414)	(411)
Net gains and losses	3.2	(169)	(682)
Loss before tax		(157)	(670)
Tax expense	2.5	(3)	(2)
Total comprehensive loss attributable to equity holders		(160)	(672)

The notes on pages 16 to 36 form part of these financial statements.

# Balance sheet as at 30 September

		2023	2022
	Note	£'000	£'000
Assets			
Intercompany Loans	3.1	2,976,285	2,740,671
Derivative financial assets	3.2	-	32,548
Other assets	3.3	47,794	46,450
Cash and cash equivalents	3.4	19,019	8,281
Total assets	<u> </u>	3,043,098	2,827,950
Liabilities			
Notes in issue	3.5	2,986,051	2,775,439
Start-up loan	3.6	-	378
Other liabilities	3.7	56,902	51,829
Current tax liability		3	2
Total liabilities		3,042,956	2,827,648
Equity			
Share capital	3.9	13	13
Retained earnings		129	289
Total equity		142	302
Total liabilities and equity		3,043,098	2,827,950

The notes on pages 16 to 36 form part of these financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 12 December 2023 and was signed on its behalf by:

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**Christopher Upton** 

Director

12 December 2023 Company No: 06302751

# Statement of changes in equity

	Share capital £'000	Retained earnings £'000	Total £'000
Balance at 30 September 2021	13	961	974
Total comprehensive loss for the year	-	(672)	(672)
Balance at 30 September 2022	13	289	302
Total comprehensive loss for the year	-	(160)	(160)
Balance at 30 September 2023	13	129	142

The notes on pages 16 to 36 form part of these financial statements.

# Statement of cash flows for the year ended 30 September

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	Note	2023	2022
		£'000	£'000
Operating activities			
Loss before tax		(157)	(670)
Adjustments for non cash movements included in loss before tax:			
Interest income	2.2	(142,122)	(51,591)
Interest expense	2.3	141,696	51,168
Net gains and losses		169	682
Adjustments to working capital:			
Changes in operating assets	4.1	55	27
Changes in operating liabilities	4.1	4,913	2,347
Tax paid		(2)	(2)
Net cash flows provided by operating activities	_	4,552	1,961
Investing activities			
Increase in Intercompany Loans issued		(1,239,793)	(700,000)
Principal repayment of Intercompany Loans		1,006,807	1,375,069
Interest received on Intercompany Loans		137,552	44,877
Interest received on cash and cash equivalents		543	35
Net cash (used in)/provided by investing activities	_	(94,891)	719,981
Financing activities			
Issuance of Notes	4.1	1,239,793	700,000
Payment of transaction costs	4.1	(3,320)	(2,222)
Redemption of Notes	4.1	(1,006,807)	(1,375,069)
Interest paid on Notes		(127,892)	(45,494)
Interest received on cross currency swaps		(232)	3,927
Drawdown of start-up loan	4.1	4,100	2,600
Principal repayment of start-up loan	4.1	(4,478)	(2,222)
Interest paid on start-up loan		(87)	(20)
Net cash provided by/(used in) financing activities	_	101,077	(718,500)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		10,738	3,442
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		8,281	4,839
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	3.4	19,019	8,281

The notes on pages 16 to 36 form part of these financial statements.

# Notes to the financial statements Section 1: Basis of preparation and accounting policies

## 1.1 General information

The Company is incorporated under the Companies Act 2006 as a public limited company and registered in England and Wales.

The immediate parent company is LFL, a company incorporated under the Companies Act 2006 and registered in England and Wales. The ultimate parent company is Vistra Capital Markets (Ireland) Limited ("Vistra Ltd"), a company incorporated and registered in the Republic of Ireland. Vistra Ltd does not consolidate the results of the Company.

CB PLC, a company incorporated under the Companies Act 2006 and registered in Scotland, is the Sponsor of the Programme. The smallest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by CB PLC. The ultimate controlling entity is VMUK PLC, a company incorporated under the Companies Act 2006 and registered in England and Wales. VMUK PLC and its subsidiary undertakings, which include CB PLC, comprise the Virgin Money UK PLC Group. The Virgin Money UK PLC Group is the largest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated. The financial statements of VMUK PLC may be obtained from the registered office at Jubilee House, Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE3 4PL.

### 1.2 Basis of accounting

The Company's financial statements, which should be read in conjunction with the Strategic report and the Directors' report, have been prepared in accordance with UK adopted IAS. The financial information has been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the application of fair value measurements. Climate risk has been considered in the preparation of these accounts and no adjustments have been deemed necessary.

## 1.3 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. In addition, note 4.3 includes the Company's risk management objectives.

The Company has access to financial resources through its Intercompany Loans with LFL. It is the intention of the Directors of the Company to continue operations while the Programme supports the funding and liquidity needs of the Group. A reduction in retained earnings is solely related to the fair value movements of the economic hedging swap, which are expected to unwind over the life of the swap and should have no direct impact on the Company's ability to perform as a going concern. Due to the limited recourse nature of the Notes the ultimate risk is borne by the Noteholders, therefore any shortfall in the proceeds from the Intercompany Loans will be a risk to the Noteholders rather than the Company.

The Directors believe the Company is well placed to manage its business risks successfully in line with the Programme documentation. Accordingly, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

# 1.4 Accounting policies

There were no mandatory significant International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) pronouncements adopted by the Company in the current financial year. The IASB has also issued a number of minor amendments to IASs that are not mandatory for 30 September 2023 reporting periods and have not been early adopted by the Company. These amendments are not expected to have a material impact for the Company and have therefore not been listed.

During the year, the Company early adopted Amendments to IAS 1 'Presentation of Financial Statements' and IFRS Practice Statement 2 'Making Materiality Judgements' which was issued by the IASB in February 2021 (applicable for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023 with early adoption permitted) and endorsed for use in the UK by the UKEB in November 2022.

The amendments require entities to disclose their material accounting policy information rather than their significant accounting policies. As part of this, the IASB amended IFRS Practice Statement 2 'Making Materiality Judgements' by adding guidance to help determine when accounting policy information is material and, therefore, needs to be disclosed.

The Company has assessed the requirements of the amendments against those accounting policies included within the 2022 financial statements.

Consequently, the following material accounting policies have been applied in preparing these financial statements.

### (a) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of the Company are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (the 'functional currency'). The financial statements are presented in GBP, which is also the Company's presentation currency, rounded to the nearest thousand pounds ("£'000") unless otherwise stated.

# (b) Foreign currency - transactions and balances

Initially, at the date of a foreign currency transaction, the Company records an asset, liability, income or expense arising from a transaction using the end of day spot exchange rate between the functional and foreign currency on the transaction date.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 1: Basis of preparation and accounting policies (continued)

# 1.4 Accounting policies (continued)

## (b) Foreign currency - transactions and balances (continued)

Subsequently, at each reporting date, the Company translates foreign currency monetary items at the closing rate. Foreign exchange ("FX") differences arising on translation or settlement of monetary items are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income during the period in which the gains or losses arise. Foreign currency non-monetary items measured at historical cost are translated at the date of the transaction. Foreign currency non-monetary items measured at fair value will be translated at the date when the fair value is determined. Foreign exchange differences are recognised directly in equity for non-monetary items where any component of associated gains or losses is recognised directly in equity.

# (c) Interest income and interest expense

Interest income is reflected in the statement of comprehensive income using the effective interest rate ("EIR") method which discounts the estimated future cash payments or receipts over the expected life of the financial instrument to the gross carrying amount of the non-credit impaired financial asset. Interest expense is reflected in the statement of comprehensive income using the same EIR method on the amortised cost of the financial liability.

When calculating the EIR, cash flows are estimated considering all contractual terms of the financial instrument (e.g. prepayment, call and similar options) excluding future Expected Credit Losses ("ECL"). The calculation includes all amounts paid or received that are an integral part of the EIR such as transaction costs and all other premiums or discounts. Where it is not possible to reliably estimate the cash flows or the expected life of a financial instrument (or group of financial instruments), the contractual cash flows over the full contractual term of the financial instrument (or group of financial instruments) are used.

Interest income and expense on hedged assets and liabilities are also recognised as part of net interest income.

### Deferred consideration income from LFL

The deferred consideration income arises when the Company receives additional income from LFL to provide for the expenses of the Company and meet the predefined profit level. The deferred consideration paid to the Company is paid in priority to the deferred consideration LFL pays to the Programme Sponsor CB PLC as per the priority of payments in the Programme documentation. The income is included within interest income in the statement of comprehensive income and the balance is accrued as a receivable from LFL and derecognised once settled.

# (d) Net gains and losses

Net gains and losses contain the fair value movement of the derivatives designated as fair value hedges and FX and fair value adjustments attributable to the hedged risk on hedged items. The net of these amounts represents hedge ineffectiveness for the year.

# (e) Income tax

Income tax on the profit or loss for the year comprises current tax. Income tax is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income except to the extent that it is related to items recognised in equity, in which case the tax is also recognised in equity.

Income tax expense is the tax payable on the current year's taxable income based on the applicable tax rate adjusted by changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities and is based on the permanent tax regime for securitisation companies.

### Current tax

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

# (f) Financial instruments

# Recognition and derecognition

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised on the balance sheet when the Company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

The Company derecognises a financial asset when the contractual cash flows from the asset expire or it transfers the right to receive contractual cash flows on the financial asset in a transaction in which substantially all the risk and rewards of ownership are transferred. Financial liabilities are derecognised from the balance sheet when the Company has discharged its obligation to the contract, or the contract is cancelled or expires.

# Classification and measurement

The Company measures a financial asset or liability on initial recognition at its fair value, plus or minus transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of the financial asset or the financial liability (with the exception of financial assets or liabilities at fair value through profit or loss, where transaction costs are recognised directly in the statement of comprehensive income as they are incurred).

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 1: Basis of preparation and accounting policies (continued)

# 1.4 Accounting policies (continued)

## (f) Financial instruments (continued)

#### Financial assets

Subsequent accounting for a financial asset is determined by the classification of the asset depending on the underlying business model and contractual cash flow characteristics. This results in classification within one of the following categories: i) amortised cost, ii) fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVOCI"), or iii) fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL"). The Company has no financial assets classified as FVOCI.

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost when (1) the asset is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by collecting contractual cash flows; and (2) the contractual terms give rise to cash flows on specified dates which are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. Financial assets held at amortised cost are assessed for impairment using the ECL methodology. Further detail is provided in note 1.5.

A financial asset is measured at FVTPL if it (1) does not fall into the business model for amortised cost or FVOCI; (2) is specifically designated as FVTPL on initial recognition in order to eliminate or significantly reduce a measurement mismatch; or (3) is classified as held for trading.

The Company's cash and cash equivalents and Intercompany Loans are classified as financial assets at amortised cost. The derivative financial assets are designated in hedge relationships and classified as FVTPL.

#### Financial liabilities

All of the Company's financial liabilities are classified as financial liabilities at amortised cost, with the exception of derivative financial liabilities which are designated in hedge relationships and classified as FVTPL.

#### Fair value measurement

Fair value is defined as 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.

When available, the Company measures the fair value of an instrument using quoted prices in an active market for that instrument. A market is regarded as active if transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

Where no such active market exists for the particular asset or liability, the Company uses a valuation technique to arrive at the fair value, including the use of transaction prices obtained in recent arm's length transactions where possible, discounted cash flow analysis, option pricing models and other valuation techniques commonly used by market participants. In doing so, fair value is estimated using a valuation technique that makes maximum possible use of market inputs and that places minimal possible reliance upon entity specific inputs.

The best evidence of the fair value of a financial instrument at initial recognition is the transaction price (i.e. the fair value of the consideration given or received) unless the fair value of that instrument is evidenced by comparison with other observable current market transactions in the same instrument (i.e. without modification or repackaging) or based on a valuation technique whose variables include only data from observable markets. When such evidence exists, the Company recognises profits or losses on the transaction date.

The carrying value of financial instruments at FVTPL reflects the credit risk attributable to the counterparty. Changes in the credit profile of the counterparty are reflected in the fair value of the instrument and recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

# (g) Intercompany Loans

The loans issued under the terms of the Global Intercompany Loan Agreement with LFL comprise the Intercompany Loans. The Intercompany Loans are initially recognised on the balance sheet at the fair value of the proceeds received and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

### (h) Derivative financial instruments and hedge accounting

The Company uses derivative financial instruments to manage exposure to interest rate and foreign currency risk. Interest rate risk arises when there is a mismatch between fixed interest rate and floating interest rates, and different repricing characteristics between assets and liabilities. Currency risk arises when assets and liabilities are not denominated in the functional currency of the entity. Derivatives are recognised on the balance sheet at fair value on trade date and are remeasured at fair value throughout the life of the contract. Derivatives are carried as assets when the fair value is positive and as liabilities when the fair value is negative. The notional amount of a derivative contract is not recorded on the balance sheet but is disclosed in note 3.2.

# Fair value hedge

Although there are no active micro fair value hedges at the Company's balance sheet date, these were designated as the hedging strategy on foreign currency denominated fixed rate debt issuances.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 1: Basis of preparation and accounting policies (continued)

# 1.4 Accounting policies (continued)

# (h) Derivative financial instruments and hedge accounting (continued)

Changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as fair value hedges are recorded in the statement of comprehensive income, together with any changes in the fair value of the hedged liability that are attributable to the hedged risk. This movement in the fair value of the hedged item is made as an adjustment to the carrying value of the hedged liability.

## Hedge ineffectiveness

Hedge ineffectiveness can arise from:

- Differences in timing of cash flows of hedged items and hedging instruments;
- Changes in expected timings and amounts of forecast future cash flows;
- Different interest rate curves applied to discount the hedged items and hedging instruments; and
- Derivatives used as hedging instruments having a non zero fair value at the time of designation.

Other risks such as credit risk and liquidity risk are managed by the Company but are not included in the hedge accounting relationship. Changes in the designated risk component usually account for the largest portion of the overall change in fair value or cash flows of the hedged item.

#### (i) Other assets

Other assets include intercompany receivables and prepaid expenses, which are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

### (j) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are measured at amortised cost and are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows have expired or the Company has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership. For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise balances with less than three months' maturity from the date of acquisition.

### (k) Notes in issue

The Residential Mortgage Backed Securities in issue comprise the Notes. The Notes are initially recorded in the balance sheet at the fair values of proceeds received net of any transaction costs. On subsequent reporting dates, the Notes are measured at amortised cost. The EIR has been calculated based on the assumption that the Notes will be fully redeemed on the step-up date.

The accrual for interest payable on the Notes is recognised unless the collectability of the income from the underlying assets in which the proceeds from the limited recourse Notes were invested is in doubt, in which case no interest expense is recognised as there is no obligation to pay interest to the Noteholders in those circumstances.

### (I) Start-up Ioan

The start-up loan is a formal intercompany loan agreements between the Company and CB PLC. The loan is subject to the terms of the Start-up Loan Agreement. The start-up loan is recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

### (m) Other liabilities

Other liabilities include non-interest bearing intercompany payables and accrued expenses, which are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

# (n) Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of ordinary shares are recognised as a deduction from equity, net of tax effects.

# (o) Capital management overview

The Company is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements outside the scope of Programme documentation. The Company considers its capital to reflect share capital which can be found in the balance sheet on page 13.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 1: Basis of preparation and accounting policies (continued)

# 1.5 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with UK adopted IAS requires the Directors to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses reported in these financial statements. Assumptions made at each balance sheet date are based on best estimates at that date and are reviewed by the Directors at each reporting date. Although the Company has internal control systems in place to ensure that estimates can be reliably measured, actual amounts may differ from those estimates. The most significant use of estimates and judgements relate to the following:

### Impairment of financial assets

At initial recognition, allowance is made for ECLs resulting from default events that are forecast within the next 12 months (12-month ECL). In the event of a significant increase in credit risk since origination, allowance (or provision) is made for ECLs resulting from all possible default events over the expected life of the financial instrument (lifetime ECL). In assessing a significant increase in credit risk, the Company monitors the level of credit enhancement within the Programme as detailed in the monthly reporting, as well as considers the presence of any trigger events as per the Programme documentation.

Financial assets where 12-month ECL are recognised are considered to be Stage 1; financial assets which are considered to have experienced a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition are in Stage 2; and financial assets which have defaulted or are otherwise considered to be credit impaired are allocated to Stage 3.

Unlike other financial instruments, the Intercompany Loans are, by their construction, an instrument that incorporates credit enhancement. The interest due on the loans to related company is only due to the extent it matches the obligations of the entity. All securitisation programmes incorporate credit enhancement in the form of excess spread and various reserve funds for use in the event the excess spread for a particular payment period is insufficient. ECLs for these loans would only therefore be recognised where the ECLs on the underlying assets were large enough that no credit enhancement remained, which is not currently the case. As at 30 September 2023, management judges ECLs to be immaterial and as a result no ECL disclosures are presented.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 2: Results for the year

# 2.1 Employee costs and Directors' emoluments

The Company does not have any employees thus there are no associated costs included within these financial statements (2022: £Nil). The corporate administrative duties of the Company have been outsourced to an external services provider, Vistra (UK) Limited. Refer to page 4 for details of Directors' emoluments.

## 2.2 Interest income

	2023	2022
	£'000	£'000
Interest income on Intercompany Loans	140,180	45,892
Interest income on cross currency swaps	-	3,347
Deferred consideration income	1,399	2,317
Interest income on cash and cash equivalents	543	35
	142,122	51,591

The increase in interest income is driven by the issuance of notes 2022-2 1A in November 2022 and 2023-1 1A in May 2023 and the associated Intercompany Loans, along with an increase in the SONIA index following central bank rate rises.

## 2.3 Interest expense

·	2023	2022
	£'000	£'000
Interest expense on Notes	139,852	49,241
Interest expense on cross currency swaps	245	-
Amortisation charge on Notes	1,512	1,907
Interest expense on start-up loans	87	20
	141,696	51,168

The increase in interest expense is driven by the issuance of notes 2022-1 1A in November 2022 and 2023-1 1A in May 2023 and the associated Intercompany Loan, along with an increase in the SONIA index following central bank rate rises.

# 2.4 Operating expenses

	2023	2022
	£'000	£'000
Cash management fee	100	100
Other operating expenses	314	311
	414	411

During the year, the Company expensed £23,000 (2022: £22,000) of audit fees for the statutory audit which are included in other operating expenses.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 2: Results for the year (continued)

## 2.5 Income tax

The Company is taxable under The Taxation of Securitisation Companies Regulations 2006 ("Securitisation Regulations"), which is effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2007. As the payments condition has been satisfied at all times during the accounting year, the calculation of corporation tax is based upon the Company's retained profits.

The Company is entitled to retain an amount of £12,000 (2022: £12,000) before any net gains or losses as profit for the year ended 30 September 2023. This annual profit meets the definition of retained profits under the Securitisation Regulations and is taxable at the current taxation rate.

	2023	2022
	£'000	£'000
Tax expense comprises:		
Current tax expense	3	2
The total charge for the year can be reconciled to the accounting profit as follows:		
Loss before tax	(157)	(670)
Income tax credit calculated at a pro rata standard UK tax rate of 22% (2022: 19%)	(35)	(127)
Effects of:		
Non-deductible income	38	129
Income tax expense recognised in the statement of comprehensive income	3	2

The charge above has been calculated in accordance with the Securitisation Regulations.

Since 1 April 2017, the statutory rate of UK corporation tax has been 19%. An increase in the UK corporation rate from 19% to 25% (which became effective 1 April 2023) was substantively enacted on 24 May 2021. This will increase the Company's future current tax charge accordingly.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 3: Assets, liabilities and capital

# 3.1 Intercompany Loans

The Company entered into a Global Intercompany Loan Agreement with the immediate parent company, LFL, pursuant to which the Company advanced the total of GBP equivalent cash proceeds received from the issue of the Notes in intercompany loan tranches to LFL.

	2023	2022
	£'000	£'000
Principal balance	2,971,985	2,738,999
Accrued interest receivable	4,300	1,672
	2,976,285	2,740,671

Series and class of Intercompany Loans	Credit rating of associated Note	Initial principal amount £'000	Interest	Margin	Step-up date	Adj margin
2020-1 Class 2A	AAA rated	800,000	SONIA	0.570%	22 November 2023	1.140%
2022-1 Class 1A	AAA rated	700,000	SONIA	0.500%	22 February 2028	1.000%
2022-2 Class 1A	AAA rated	800,000	SONIA	0.820%	22 February 2027	1.640%
2023-1 Class 1A	AAA rated	500,000	SONIA	0.520%	22 August 2028	1.040%

Intercompany Loans linked to the class Z Variable Funding Notes ("VFN") are also in existence. Any deficit or surplus of the VFN notes is reassessed at the point of each issuance depending on the level of liquidity required in the Programme using appropriate credit enhancement techniques, thereby increasing or decreasing the proportion of VFN required. They have a rate matching the Z notes and this is Compounded Daily SONIA plus 0.90%

The Intercompany Loans are repayable quarterly in order of priority starting from the class A tranches on a pro rata basis to the class Z tranches, to the extent there are sufficient funds available in LFL.

The Intercompany Loans are interest bearing and have a step-up provision for the interest margin. The adjusted margin is the rate that is payable if the principal is not paid by the step-up date. The ultimate maturity date for all loan tranches is December 2069.

Movements in the underlying Notes during the year are further disclosed in note 3.5.

# 3.2 Derivative financial instruments

### Use of derivatives

The Company enters into certain derivative financial instruments, which are designated into hedge accounting relationships. These derivatives hedge foreign currency risk and interest rate risk on the principal and interest of the Notes.

	2023	2022
	£'000	£'000
Fair value of derivative financial instruments		
Designated as hedging instruments	<u> </u>	32,548

Although there are no active micro fair value hedges at the Company's balance sheet date, these were designated as the hedging strategy on foreign currency denominated fixed rate debt issuances.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 3: Assets, liabilities and capital (continued)

# 3.2 Derivative financial instruments (continued)

The derivative financial instruments held by the Company are further analysed below. The notional contract amount is the amount from which the cash flows are derived and does not represent the principal amounts at risk relating to these contracts.

		2023		2022			
	Notional contract amount £'000	Fair value of assets	Fair value of liabilities £'000	Notional contract amount £'000	Fair value of assets	Fair value of liabilities £'000	
FAIR VALUE HEDGES							
Cross currency swaps	-	-	-	191,307	32,548	-	
Total derivatives designated as hedging instruments	-	-	-	191,307	32,548	-	

# Summary of hedging instruments in designated hedge relationships

In the below table, the Company sets out the accumulated adjustments arising from the corresponding continuing hedge relationships, irrespective of whether there has been a change in hedge designation during the year. All cash flow hedge relationships came to an end during the prior year.

			2023		2022				
		Carrying amount of hedging instrument		•	Notional contract	Carrying a		Change in fair value of hedging instrument in the year used for ineffectiveness	
	amount £'000	Assets £'000	Liabilities £'000				Liabilities £'000		
FAIR VALUE HEDGES									
Foreign exchange and interest rate risk  Cross currency swaps	_	_	_	(32,535)	191,307	32,548	_	46,766	

### Summary of hedged items in designated hedge relationships

In the below tables, the Company sets out the accumulated adjustments arising from the corresponding continuing hedge relationships, irrespective of whether there has been a change in hedge designation during the year.

			2023		2022				
		Accu al f Carrying amount of hedged items		Change in fair value of hedged item in the year used for	Carrying amount of hedged items		Accumulated amount of fair value adjustments	Change in fair value of hedged item in the year used for ineffectiveness	
				ineffectiveness			on the		
	Assets L £'000	iabilities. £'000	hedged item £'000	measurement £'000	Assets £'000	Liabilities £'000	hedged item £'000	measurement £'000	
FAIR VALUE HEDGES									
Foreign exchange and interest rate risk Fixed rate currency issuances	_	_	_	32,366	-	(224,200)	(32,365)	(47,448)	

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 3: Assets, liabilities and capital (continued)

# 3.2 Derivative financial instruments (continued)

Gains and losses from hedge accounting

FAIR VALUE HEDGES	2023  Hedge ineffectiveness recognised in income statement £'000	2022  Hedge ineffectiveness recognised in income statement £'000
Foreign exchange and interest rate risk		
Fixed rate currency issuances	(169)	(682)
3.3 Other assets		
	2023	2022
	£'000	£'000
Deferred consideration receivable	47,784	46,385
Other receivables	10	65
	47,794	46,450
3.4 Cash and cash equivalents		
·	2023	2022
	£'000	£'000
Cash and cash equivalents	19,019	8,281

The Company holds a bank account with National Australia Bank. The account has been established in the Company's name for the following purposes:

- to hold the Company's available principal and revenue receipts until each quarterly Note payment date;
- to apply proceeds to pay various creditors in accordance with the relevant priority of payments; and
- to retain the remaining balance as the Company's profits and paid-up share capital.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 3: Assets, liabilities and capital (continued)

## 3.5 Notes in issue

	2023	2022
	£'000	£'000
Notes in issue <sup>(1)</sup>	2,966,902	2,768,249
Accrued interest payable	19,149	7,190
	2,986,051	2,775,439

<sup>(1)</sup> For details of the hedge adjustment value applied to the Notes in issue refer to note 3.2.

Series and class of Notes	Credit rating	Currency	Initial consideration '000	Interest	Margin	Step-up date	Adj margin
2020-1 Class 2A	AAA rated	GBP	800,000	SONIA	0.570%	22 November 2023	1.140%
2022-1 Class 1A	AAA rated	GBP	700,000	SONIA	0.500%	22 February 2028	1.000%
2022-2 Class 1A	AAA rated	GBP	800,000	SONIA	0.820%	22 February 2027	1.640%
2023-1 Class 1A	AAA rated	GBP	500,000	SONIA	0.520%	22 August 2028	1.040%

Credit enhancements in the form of class Z VFNs are also in existence to provide credit enhancement to the structure and act as the first loss. Any deficit or surplus of the VFN notes is reassessed depending on the level of liquidity required and have a rate of Daily Compounded SONIA plus 0.90%.

Full details of all Notes in issue can be found in the investor reports at https://www.virginmoneyukplc.com/investor-relations/debt-investors/lannraig-programme/.

Key movements in the year are shown in the table below<sup>(1)</sup>.

	Issuances	Redemptions
Denomination	£'000	£'000
GBP	1,239,793	(815,500)
USD	<del>_</del>	(191,307)
	1,239,793	(1,006,807)

<sup>(1)</sup> Other movements relate to foreign exchange, hedging movements and amortisation of issuance costs.

The Notes are repayable quarterly in order of priority starting from the class A tranches to the class Z tranches, to the extent there are sufficient funds available.

The Notes are interest bearing and have a step-up provision for the interest margin. The adjusted margin is the margin that is payable if the principal is not paid by the step-up date. The ultimate maturity date for all classes of Notes is December 2069.

The proceeds from each issue and class of Notes have been applied to fund a specified loan tranche of the Intercompany Loans, as discussed in note 3.1.

### Interest

Interest is payable quarterly in arrears. The payment of interest on the Notes is dependent on the receipt of income from the underlying loan tranches under the Intercompany Loans. If the Company does not receive income from the underlying loan tranches there is no obligation to pay interest to the Noteholders or the swap counterparty.

# Redemption

Redemption of the Notes will be made from the principal proceeds received from LFL on the relevant payment date, in accordance to the seniority of the Notes and availability of funds.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 3: Assets, liabilities and capital (continued)

# 3.5 Notes in issue (continued)

### Limited recourse and segregation of assets and liabilities

The Notes are limited in recourse to the swap agreements and to the underlying Intercompany Loans held pursuant to each class of Notes. Following termination of a swap agreement and its enforcement against the counterparty and the enforcement of the Global Intercompany Loan Agreement against LFL, there will be no other assets of the Company available to meet any outstanding claims of the Noteholders, who will bear any shortfall pro rata to their holdings of Notes.

The Noteholders of each class therefore cannot claim against the assets of any other classes of Notes.

### 3.6 Start-up loan

The Company entered into an issuer start-up loan agreement with CB PLC, pursuant to which the Company may receive loans to be applied towards:

- the funding of the issuer reserve fund (in whole or in part); or
- payment (in whole or in part) of the fees and expenses incurred by the Company and LFL in respect of the issuance of the Notes, and the lending of proceeds thereof to LFL.

The loans bear interest at the rate of a Daily Compounded SONIA plus 0.90%. The loan is subordinated to the class A Notes but senior to the class Z Notes.

During the year the Company repaid £4,478,000 which relates to notes; 2022-1 1A, 2022-2 1A and 2023-1 1A.

	2023	2022
	£'000	£'000
		070
Principal balance		378
		378
3.7 Other liabilities		
	2023	2022
	£'000	£'000
Amounts due to LFL	55,850	51,387
Accrued capital expenses	527	366
Other payables to CB PLC	402	23
Other payables	123	53
	56,902	51,829

# 3.8 Fair value of financial instruments

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 valuation date.

Analysis of the fair value disclosures uses a hierarchy that reflects the significance of inputs used in measuring the fair value. The level in the fair value hierarchy within which a fair value measurement is categorised is determined on the basis of the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. The fair value measurement hierarchy is as follows:

- Level 1 quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for an identical financial asset or liability;
- Level 2 inputs other than quoted prices within level 1 that are observable for the financial asset or liability, either directly (as prices) or indirectly (derived from prices); and
- Level 3 inputs for the financial asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 3: Assets, liabilities and capital (continued)

# 3.8 Fair value of financial instruments (continued)

The methodologies and assumptions used in the fair value estimates are described in the notes to the tables. The difference between carrying value and fair value is relevant in a trading environment but is not relevant to assets such as the Intercompany Loans.

The table below show a comparison of the carrying amounts, as reported on the balance sheet, and fair values of those financial assets and liabilities measured at the amortised cost where the carrying value amounts of the financial assets and financial liabilities recorded at amortised cost in the balance sheet are not approximately equal to their fair value.

		2023					2022					
	'		Fair value measurements:				Fair value measurements:					
	Carrying value £'000	Fair value £'000	Level 1	Level 2 £'000	Level 3	Carrying value £'000		Level 1 £'000	Level 2	Level 3		
	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£000	£ 000	£'000	£ 000		
Financial assets												
Intercompany Loans	2,976,285	2,995,606	-	2,995,606		2,740,671	2,743,042	-	2,743,042	-		
Financial liabilities												
Notes in issue	2,986,051	3,008,893	-	3,008,893	-	2,775,439	2,774,933	-	2,774,933	-		

The Company's fair values for financial instruments at amortised cost are based on the following methodologies and assumptions:

Intercompany Loans – This is determined from a discounted cash flow model using current market rates for instruments of similar terms and maturity.

Notes in issue – This is determined from a discounted cash flow model using current market rates for instruments of similar terms and maturity.

There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 in the current or prior year.

Fair value measurements recognised on the balance sheet

The following table provide an analysis of financial instruments that are measured subsequent to initial recognition at fair value, using the fair value hierarchy described above.

		2023					2022					
			Fair value measurements:				Fair value measurements:					
	Carrying value	Fair value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Carrying value	Fair value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3		
Financial assets held at fair value	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		
Derivative financial assets		-	-	-		32,548	32,548	-	32,548			

The Company's fair values disclosed for financial instruments at fair value are based on the following methodologies and assumptions:

Derivative instruments – The fair value of derivatives, including currency swaps, are obtained from discounted cash flow models or option pricing models as appropriate.

There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 in the current or prior year.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 3: Assets, liabilities and capital (continued)

# 3.9 Share capital

	2023	2022
	£	£
Issued, allotted and paid-up share capital		
2 ordinary shares - fully paid	2	2
49,998 ordinary shares - £0.25 partly paid-up	12,500	12,500
	12,502	12,502

The entire share capital of the Company is held by LFL.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 4: Other notes

# 4.1 Notes to the statement of cash flows

4.1 Notes to the statement of cas	on nows			
			2023	2022
			£'000	£'000
Changes in operating assets				
Net decrease in:				
Other receivables		_	55	27
Changes in operating liabilities				
Net increase/(decrease) in:				
Due to LFL			4,463	2,368
Amounts due to CB PLC			379	23
Other payables			71	(44)
		_	4,913	2,347
Movements in liabilities arising from final	ncing activities			
	Notes in issue	Accrued capital expenses (1)	Start-up loan	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
At 30 September 2021	3,399,994	-	-	3,399,994
Cash flows:				
Issuances	700,000	-	2,600	702,600
Transaction costs	-	(2,222)	-	(2,222)
Redemptions/repayment	(1,375,069)	-	(2,222)	(1,377,291)
Non-cash flows:				
Movement in accrued interest	3,748	-	-	3,748
Other movement (2)	46,766	2,588	-	49,354
At 30 September 2022	2,775,439	366	378	2,776,183
Cash flows:				
Issuances	1,239,793	-	4,100	1,243,893
Transaction costs	-	(3,320)	-	(3,320)
Redemptions/repayment	(1,006,807)	-	(4,478)	(1,011,285)
Non-cash flows:				
Movement in accrued interest	11,959	-	-	11,959
Other movement (2)	(34,333)	3,481	-	(30,852)
At 30 September 2023	2,986,051	527	-	2,986,578

<sup>(1)</sup> Accrued capital expenses are transaction costs associated with the issuance of notes which have not yet been invoiced and form a component of the total other payables balance.

<sup>(2)</sup> Other movements relate to movements of the fair value hedge (including FX movement) and capitalisation or amortisation of issuance costs.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 4: Other notes (continued)

# 4.2 Related party transactions

The Company had intercompany transactions with the immediate parent company, LFL, and the Sponsor of the Programme, CB PLC. The transactions with these related parties are disclosed below.

Transactions during the year	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
LFL	2 000	2 000
Intercompany Loans advanced	1,239,793	700,000
Principal repayments received on Intercompany Loans	1,006,807	1,375,069
Interest earned on Intercompany Loans	140,180	45,892
Deferred consideration earned	1,399	2,317
CB PLC		
Notes issued	400,000	
Notes redeemed	188,864	666,293
Interest expensed on Notes	61,549	20,835
Proceeds from start-up loans drawn	4,100	2,600
Principal repayments made on start-up loans	4,478	2,222
Interest expensed on start-up loans	87	20
Cash management fee expensed	100	100
Other expenses recharged from CB PLC	24	23
Balances at the end of the year	2023	2022
LFL	£'000	£'000
Intercompany Loans receivable	2,976,285	2,740,671
Deferred consideration receivable	47,784	46,385
Expense contribution payable	(55,850)	(51,387)
Exponde contribution payable	2,968,219	2,735,669
CB PLC		2,100,000
Notes in issue	(1,246,292)	(1,029,813)
Start-up loans payable	-	(378)
Other payables due to CB PLC	(402)	(23)
· ·	(1,246,694)	(1,030,214)
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# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 4: Other notes (continued)

# 4.3 Management of risk

#### Introduction and overview

The principal activity of the Company is the issue of limited recourse Notes, under the Lanark Programme, for onward lending to LFL. Therefore, the role of financial assets and financial liabilities is central to the activities of the Company; the financial liabilities provide the funding advanced to LFL, which represents the Company's principal financial asset. Financial assets and liabilities provide the majority of the assets and liabilities of the Company.

In addition to the advance of the Intercompany Loans, and the issuance of Notes, the Company has also entered into cross currency swaps. This is to hedge the currency and interest rate risk associated with the mismatch between the floating GBP interest generated by the Intercompany Loans and the foreign currency interest paid on the Notes.

The strategies used by the Company in achieving its objectives regarding the use of financial instruments were set when the Company entered into the series of issuance transactions, such as aligning the cash flow profiles of the Notes with the receivables under the Intercompany Loans. The Company has attempted to match the properties of its financial liabilities to its assets in order to avoid significant elements of risk generated by mismatches of maturity and interest rate risk.

This ensures that if one series defaults, the holders of that series do not have the ability to claim other assets of the issuer, resulting in the issuer's bankruptcy and the default of the other series of Notes. The segregation criteria include the following:

- The Company is a bankruptcy remote structured entity;
- The Company issues separate series of debt obligations;
- Intercompany Loan tranches relating to any particular classes of Notes are held separate from the assets relating to any other classes of that series;
- Any swap transaction entered into by the Company for a class of Notes is separate from any other swap transaction for any other class of Notes;
- Only the trustees are entitled to exercise remedies on behalf of the Noteholders; and
- Each series of Notes are reviewed by a recognised rating agency prior to issuance regardless of whether it is to be rated or not.

The Notes are initially recognised at the value of the net proceeds less issue costs received and are carried at amortised cost. The ultimate amount repaid to the Noteholders of these Notes will depend on the proceeds from the relevant tranches of the Intercompany Loans.

### Risk management framework

The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Company's risk management framework which is in line with the Programme documentation. This includes information about the Company's exposure to risk, and its objectives, policies and processes for measuring and managing risk. Further quantitative disclosures are provided below.

# Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of the financial loss to the Company if the counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations and arises principally from the Company's Intercompany Loans.

The Company limits its exposure to credit risk by investing only with counterparties that have a credit rating defined in the documentation of the relevant Note series. The risk of default on the Intercompany Loans is borne by the holders of the relevant classes of Notes.

### Derivatives

At any one time, the amount subject to credit risk is limited to the current fair value of instruments that are favourable to the Company (i.e. assets where their fair value is positive) which, in relation to derivatives, may only be a small fraction of the contract, or notional values used to express the volume of instruments outstanding.

The Company further restricts its exposure to credit losses by entering into master netting arrangements with counterparties with whom it undertakes derivative transactions. Master netting arrangements do not generally result in an offset of balance sheet assets and liabilities. However, credit risk associated with the favourable contracts is reduced by a master netting arrangement to the extent that, if any counterparty failed to meet its obligations in accordance with the agreed terms, all amounts with the counterparty are terminated and settled on a net basis. Derivative financial instrument contracts are typically subject to the International Swaps and Derivatives Association ("ISDA") master netting agreements, as well as Credit Support Annexes, where relevant, around collateral arrangements attached to those ISDA agreements.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 4: Other notes (continued)

# 4.3 Management of risk (continued)

# Credit risk (continued)

Maximum exposure to credit risk

The carrying amount of financial assets represents the maximum exposure to the credit risk and at the reporting date was:

	2023	2022
	£'000	£'000
Intercompany Loans	2,976,285	2,740,671
Derivative financial assets	-	32,548
Other assets	47,794	46,450
Cash and cash equivalents	19,019	8,281
	3,043,098	2,827,950

# Maturity analysis of assets and liabilities

The following tables represent a breakdown of the Company's balance sheet, according to the contractual maturity of the assets and liabilities. Maturity analysis of Intercompany Loans and Notes has been based upon these being redeemed at the step-up date.

				2023			
	Call	3 months or less	3 months to 12 months	1 to 5 years	Over 5 years	No specified maturity	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Assets							
Intercompany Loans	-	404,300	180,000	2,391,985	-	-	2,976,285
Other assets	-	10	-	-	-	47,784	47,794
Cash and cash equivalents	19,019	-	-	-	-	-	19,019
	19,019	404,310	180,000	2,391,985	-	47,784	3,043,098
Liabilities							
Notes in issue	-	418,465	179,692	2,387,894	-	-	2,986,051
Other liabilities	-	1,052	-	-	-	55,850	56,902
Current tax liability		-	3	-	-	=	3
	-	419,517	179,695	2,387,894	-	55,850	3,042,956

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 4: Other notes (continued)

# 4.3 Management of risk (continued)

Maturity analysis of assets and liabilities (continued)

	2022						
	Call	3 months or less	3 months to 12 months	1 to 5 years	Over 5 years	No specified maturity	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Assets							
Intercompany Loans	-	425,179	583,300	1,423,692	308,500	-	2,740,671
Derivative financial assets	-	32,548	-	-	-	-	32,548
Other assets	-	65	-	-	-	46,385	46,450
Cash and cash equivalents	8,281	-	-	-	-	-	8,281
	8,281	457,792	583,300	1,423,692	308,500	46,385	2,827,950
Liabilities							
Notes in issue	-	462,580	582,637	1,422,073	308,149	-	2,775,439
Start-up loans	-	378	-	-	-	-	378
Other liabilities	-	442	-	-	-	51,387	51,829
Current tax liability	-	-	2	-	-	-	2
	-	463,400	582,639	1,422,073	308,149	51,387	2,827,648

# Liquidity and funding risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company is unable to meet its current and future financial obligations as they fall due at acceptable cost.

The Company's obligation to the Noteholders of a particular class of Notes is limited to the net proceeds receivable under the related tranche of Intercompany Loans and any available reserve fund. Should the net proceeds be insufficient to make all payments due in respect of a particular series of Notes, the other assets of the Company will not be available for payment and the deficit is instead borne by the Noteholders according to established priorities.

Cash flows payable under financial liabilities by contractual maturity

The following are the gross undiscounted contractual cash flows of the financial liabilities. Liquidity analysis of Notes has been based upon these being redeemed at the step-up date.

	2023						
	Call	3 months or less	3 months to 12 months	1 to 5 years	Over 5 years	No specified maturity	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Notes in issue	-	443,132	293,295	2,756,713	-	-	3,493,140
Other liabilities	-	1,052	-	-	-	55,850	56,902
Current tax liability	-	-	3	-	-	-	3
	-	444,184	293,298	2,756,713	-	55,850	3,550,045

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 4: Other notes (continued)

# 4.3 Management of risk (continued)

Liquidity and funding risk (continued)

	2022											
							Call				No specified maturity	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000					
Notes in issue	-	476,223	673,316	1,573,172	314,996	-	3,037,707					
Start-up loans	-	380	-	-	-	-	380					
Other liabilities	-	442	-	-	-	51,387	51,829					
Current tax liability		-	2	-	-	-	2					
	-	477,045	673,318	1,573,172	314,996	51,387	3,089,918					

The balances in the cash flow tables above do not agree directly to the balances in the balance sheet as the table incorporates all future cash flows, on an undiscounted basis, related to both principal and interest.

The Company's exposure to liquidity risk is mitigated by matching the repayments received on the Intercompany Loans with the repayment profiles of the Notes.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk comprises the sensitivity of the Company's current and future net interest income to movements in market interest rates. The Company would be exposed to interest rate risk, to the extent that there is a difference between the amount of the interest-earning assets and the amount of the interest bearing liabilities, or that the assets and liabilities mature or reprice on different schedules.

For Notes at variable rates, the Company has fully mitigated any interest rate risk by matching interest receivable on the Intercompany Loans to that payable under the Notes.

For Notes at fixed currency rates, the Company has fully mitigated any interest rate risk by matching interest receivable on the Intercompany Loans to that payable on the currency swap associated with the relevant Notes. Therefore, any change in interest rates would not affect the statement of comprehensive income of the Company.

### **Currency risk**

The Company's functional currency is GBP and the Programme allows issuances in GBP, USD and Euros. The Company is therefore exposed to movements in exchange rates between its functional currency GBP and its currency denominated financial instruments.

The Company's policy is to fully mitigate any exchange rate exposures by using cross currency swaps. The impact of any movements in the exchange rates on any foreign currency denominated Notes are offset by FX movements on the related cross currency swaps. Therefore, any change in interest rates would not affect the statement of comprehensive income of the Company.

## Prepayment risk

Prepayment risk is the risk that the underlying loans in the deemed loan, which allow LFL to make Intercompany Loan payments, may be realised earlier than it is possible to redeem the liabilities. This may arise due to redemptions of mortgages in the underlying pool. In the event that the mortgage loans are redeemed sooner, the prepayment proceeds are distributed in accordance with the Programme documentation and additional mortgage loans are assigned to the pool as required.

# Operational risk

Operational risk is the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed processes, people, systems or from external events. All administration functions have been outsourced by the Company to reputable organisations with strong operational risk controls.

# Climate risk

The potential impact of climate related risks on the Company's financial position and performance has been considered in preparing the financial statements.

This involved undertaking an assessment at a Group level over the assets (both financial and non financial) and evaluating whether the observable effects of physical and transitional risk of climate change would have a material impact on the financial position and performance in the current year. The inherent risks and uncertainties in quantifying the effect of climate change in the financial statements are significant and more likely to impact in the medium to long term. Consequently, the Company does not consider there to be a material impact of climate change in these financial statements.

# Notes to the financial statements (continued) Section 4: Other notes (continued)

# 4.4 Events after the balance sheet date

Note 2020-1 2A was redeemed as scheduled at the step-up date November 2023. There have been no other significant events between 30 September 2023 and the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements which would require a change to or additional disclosure in the financial statements.