Company No. 09842642

# TBG Flex Limited Annual Report and Financial Statements Year ended 31 March 2021

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## 1. Company Information

**Directors** 

Rebecca Toloui-Marks

Robert Webber

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Adam Mansell John Stephen

Nigel Turner

Chair (resigned 26 February 2021)

Chair

(appointed 30 April 2021)

(retired 31 March 2021)

**Chief Executive Officer** Tim Mulvenna

**Company Secretary** Shaun McLean

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**Auditor** Grant Thornton UK LLP

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## 2. Report of the Directors

The Board is pleased to present the financial statements of TBG Flex Limited for the year ended 31 March 2021.

## **Principal activities**

TBG Flex Limited is a Company within TheBarnetGroup structure for the recruitment and employment of staff. TBG Flex Limited is the Group's preferred vehicle for employing new permanent and temporary staff when needed, and will be fundamental to making our business growth strategies commercially viable in the future.

TBG Flex Limited offers flexible benefits for all its employees.

## Results for the year

The result for the year to 31 March 2021 was a surplus of £199,000 (2020: £201,000).

## **Dividends**

The Directors do not propose a dividend for the year.

#### Directors

The names of the Directors who served during the year can be found on page 2.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> party indemnity provision for Directors

Directors are provided with indemnity insurance procured through TheBarnetGroup Limited for Personal Accident and Directors' and Officers' liability.

## **Disabled persons**

TBG Flex Limited is committed to equality and diversity and our goal is to embed it into our practices and everything we do. We want to ensure that all the people we support receive the best possible service and that everyone is supported to develop and achieve to the best of their abilities.

Our objective is to ensure that services are provided fairly to all the people we support and that all the people we support have equal opportunities.

For the people we support, we:

- Treat all the people we support with dignity and respect;
- Consult and involve the people we support in planning the delivery of services;
- Engage with hard to reach groups to get their views;
- Target our services in a person-centred way to ensure our service reflect the needs of the people we support.

## **Employee information**

We aim to achieve and promote equality of opportunity in all aspects of our recruitment, training, policies and practice and to facilitate a working environment where employees feel safe, supported, able to challenge, feel engaged with the organisation and where any discrimination is dealt with effectively.

As an employer we:

- Take positive action to develop a workforce that reflects the people we support;
- Ensure that all employees are supported to develop and grow to the best of their ability;
- Value the contribution our employees make toward achieving our objectives;
- Ensure that all our existing and future employees have equal opportunities.

## Charitable donations

TBG Flex Limited made donations of £30,000 (2020: £nil) for the year to 31 March 2021.

### **EU Political donations and expenditure**

No political donations or expenditure were made for the year to 31 March 2021 (2020: £nil).

## **Donations to non-EU political parties**

No political donations or expenditure were made for the year to 31 March 2021 (2020: £nil).

## Payment policy

The Company pays suppliers where possible within suppliers' credit terms. Payments to suppliers were made on average within 1 day of receipt of the invoice.

## Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, the Report of the Directors and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

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

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

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

The Directors confirm that:

- so far as each Director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware; and
- the Directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as directors to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information.

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

## **Directors' Remuneration Report**

The Directors are defined as being the Board members of TBG Flex Limited. The Independent Directors receive emoluments and are entitled to reimbursement of incidental expenses incurred when attending Board meetings and other formal events in their capacity as Board members. The Independent Directors are not entitled to pension benefits. These are the only transactions with the Independent Directors of the Company. Executive Directors, who are fully employed as officers of the Company, receive pension benefits. Directors' remuneration is disclosed in note 10 to the financial statements.

## **Code of Governance**

The Company has adopted the National Housing Federation's 'Code of Governance: Promoting Board Excellence for Housing Associations (2015 edition)' and confirm that the Company complies fully with the Code.

## **Going Concern**

The company's business activities, its current financial position and factors likely to affect its future development are set out in the strategic report. In preparing the financial statements on the going concern basis, the Board considered the following:

- Management has prepared forecasts (including monthly cash flows) of expected results (including pension obligations) for the 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial years. These demonstrate that the company has sufficient resources to meet all liabilities as they fall due for the foreseeable future and for at least for the 12 months following the approval of these accounts.
- The financial performance of the company is good, with significant reserves. The directors have though when reviewing the forecasts recognised that the company relies on two fellow Group companies for all its revenues; the failure of either of these companies would be the 'breaking point' for the company and mean it requiring financial support from its shareholder.
- That in the event the Covid-19 pandemic results in further 'lockdowns' or other financial or operational issues, Government support and legislation that has been in place to date would continue; but if not, then the company has sufficient liquid resources and suitable mitigating actions available in the short, medium and long-term to manage the impact on operational and financing activities.
- That in the event of the implementation of controls and other legislation following the end of the Brexit transition period, the Group has sufficient liquid resources and suitable mitigating actions available in the short, medium and long-term to manage the possible impact of increased inflation and potential increased operating costs.
- The London Borough of Barnet has confirmed its intention to offer support to TheBarnetGroup Limited if this is required; such support would then allow TheBarnetGroup to support TBG Flex Limited to meet its liabilities as they fall due in a scenario where forecasts are materially inaccurate.

The Directors have reviewed the Company's forecasts as described above and on this basis as well as the London Borough of Barnet's stated intention to support TheBarnetGroup, the Board consider preparation of the Financial Statements on a going concern basis to be appropriate.

#### Auditor

Grant Thornton UK LLP has expressed their willingness to remain in office. A resolution to reappoint Grant Thornton UK LLP as auditor will be proposed at the June 2021 Board meeting.

## Other information

The strategic report below and the remainder of these financial statements, includes important information regarding events after the year-end, Covid-19 and other relevant matter pertinent to the Association and understanding the operations and financial position of the Association. As such the entire Annual report and financial statements document should be read, not only the Report of the Directors.

## Approval and signature

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The report of the Directors was approved by the Board on 24 June 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Robert Webber, Chair

## 3. Strategic Report

#### COVID-19

On behalf of The Barnet Group Board, I would like to thank all our staff and partners for the huge efforts they have made over the last 12 months to mitigate the negative impacts of the pandemic. Vital services such as repairs and adult social care have been delivered in very difficult circumstances. Despite lockdowns, we have supported rough sleepers and worked hard to keep all our service users safe.

The impact on TBG Flex's finances has been minimal, due to the fact all costs are passed onto the relevant entity that staff would carry our services for.

Any further staff illness will mean that the fellow Group companies that TBG Flex supply staff to will be required to utilise additional agency and contract staff, which would be additional costs for those companies; TBG Flex is contractually permitted to recharge costs even when staff are off ill.

## **Review of Results**

The result for the year was a surplus of £199,000 (2020: £201,000). The key indicator of performance of the company is the number of staff recruited and then supplied to other Group companies. During the year, the number of staff supplied to the Group companies increased from 361 to 383.

The Statement of Financial Position presents retained earnings of £571,000 at 31 March 2021 (2020: £372,000).

## Principal risks and uncertainties

TBG Flex's principal source of income is fees from Group members for the employment of staff. As such the Company is dependent on the level of activity of other Group companies. The continued rise in the London Living Wage will mean increased employment costs for the Company.

Other members of TheBarnetGroup are charged a 4% annual fee by TBG Flex for the employment of staff. The margin will be kept under review to ensure that it contributes to a viable surplus for TBG Flex.

Staff employed through TBG Flex are entitled to a benefits package of between 5% and 10% depending on their role, which can be used flexibly, including for pension contributions.

TBG Flex employs many people at or slightly above the London Living Wage (LLW). As such the Company may be exposed to changes to the economy and wage levels arising from post-Brexit and Covid impacts. In mitigation, payment at LLW puts the company among the highest payers of care staff locally, meaning it is less likely to suffer than comparable businesses paying lower wages. During the current year, the Company has continued to fill vacancies arising from staff turnover and new posts.

The number of staff employed through TBG Flex is as follows:

Employees at 31 March 2021 (2020 in brackets)				
Barnet Homes Limited	199 (187)			
Your Choice (Barnet) Limited	184 (174)			
Total	383 (361)			

## Future Developments – TBG Flex Limited

Numbers of staff employed have increased substantially in the year and there are plans to further increase the number of employees within the Barnet Group employed by TBG Flex over the five-year budget period as follows:

TBG Flex staff Figure at 31 March		Annual increase				
I DG Flex Stall	2021	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
Total	383	428	468	508	548	587

## Approval and signature

The strategic report was approved by the Board on 24 June 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Robert Webber, Chair

## Independent auditor's report to the members of TBG Flex Limited

## Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of TBG Flex Limited (the 'company') for the year ended 31 March 2021, which comprise the Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Changes in Equity and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 101 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

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

## Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the '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 FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

## Conclusions relating to going concern

We are responsible for concluding on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify the auditor's opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our report. However, future events or conditions may cause the company to cease to continue as a going concern.

In our evaluation of the directors' conclusions, we considered the inherent risks associated with the company's business model including effects arising from macro-economic uncertainties such as Brexit and Covid-19, we assessed and challenged the reasonableness of estimates made by the directors and the related disclosures and analysed how those risks might affect the company's financial resources or ability to continue operations over the going concern period.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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.

The responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the 'Responsibilities of directors for the financial statements' section of this report.

#### Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and,

except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report 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 report of the directors for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the strategic report and the report of the directors have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

## Matter on which we are required to report under the Companies Act 2006

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

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

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 for the financial statements

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

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

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

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered

material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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

# 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 material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that material misstatements in the financial statements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with the ISAs (UK).

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the
  company, and the industry in which it operates. We determined that the following laws and
  regulations were most significant; financial reporting legislation (United Kingdom Generally
  Accepted Accounting Practice including Financial Reporting Standard 101 and the Companies
  Act 2006), and the NHF Code of Governance 2015. The engagement team remained alert to
  any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit.
- We understood how the company is complying with these legal and regulatory frameworks by making inquiries of management, internal audit, and those charged with governance. We enquired of management and those charged with governance whether there were any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations, or whether they had any knowledge of actual or suspected fraud. We corroborated the results of our enquiries through our review of board minutes and papers provided to the Audit and risk committee, and through our legal and professional expenses review.
- To assess the potential risks of material misstatement, including how a fraud might occur, we obtained an understanding of:
  - The Company's operations, including the nature of its sources of income, expected financial statement disclosures and risks that may result in risk of material misstatement; and
  - The Company's control environment including the adequacy of procedures for authorisation of transactions.
- Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:
  - Evaluating the processes and controls established to address the risks related to irregularities and fraud;
  - Testing manual journal entries, in particular journal entries relating to management estimates and entries determined to be large or relating to unusual transactions;
  - Challenging assumptions and judgements made by management in its significant accounting estimates;
  - Identifying and testing related party transactions; and
  - Completion of audit procedures to conclude on the compliance of disclosures in the financial statements with applicable financial reporting requirements.
- We communicated relevant laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team members, and remained alert to any indications of fraud, or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit.
- We assessed the appropriateness of the collective competence and capabilities of the
  engagement team, including consideration of the engagement team's knowledge and
  understanding of the sector in which the Company operates in and their practical experience
  through training and participation with audit engagements of a similar nature. All team members
  are qualified accountants or working towards that qualification and are considered to have

sufficient knowledge and experience of companies of a similar size and complexity, appropriate to their role within the team.

• From the procedures performed we did not identify any material matters relating to noncompliance with laws and regulation or matters in relation to fraud.

## 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.

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Victoria McLoughlin BA FCA Senior Statutory Auditor for and on behalf of Grant Thornton UK LLP Statutory Auditor, Chartered Accountants Leeds

1/7/2021

# TBG FLEX LIMITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED TO 31 MARCH 2021

## **Statement of Comprehensive Income**

	Note	2021	2020
		£'000	£'000
Revenue	3	11,537	9,874
Employee Benefits	8	(11,104)	(9,491)
Other expenses		(232)	(180)
Operating profit	4	201	203
Finance income	5	-	-
Finance costs	5	(2)	(2)
Profit before tax		199	201
Income Tax Expense	11		
Profit after tax		199	201
Total comprehensive income for the period		199	201

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form part of these financial statements.

# TBG FLEX LIMITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Note	2021	2020
		£'000	£'000
ASSETS			
Non-current assets		-	-
Current assets			
Trade and other receivables	6	2	31
Cash and cash equivalents	7	828	801
		830	832
Total assets		830	832
EQUITY and LIABILITIES			
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EQUITY			
Revenue reserve		571	372
Retained earnings		571	372
Total Equity		571	372
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	10	259	460
Current tax liabilities	11	-	
		259	460
Total liabilities	_	259	460
Total equity and liabilities	<u> </u>	830	832

The financial statements were authorised and approved by the Board on 24 June 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Robert Webber, Chair

Company Number: 09842642

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form part of these financial statements.

# TBG FLEX LIMITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Statement of Changes in Equity	Total revenue reserve and retained earnings £'000
Balance as at 1 April 2019	171
Profit for the period	201
Balance as at 31 March 2020	372
Balance as at 1 April 2020	372
Profit for the period	199
Balance as at 31 March 2021	571

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form part of these financial statements.

#### ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND EXPLNATORY NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

## 1. General information and statement of compliance

The Company is incorporated and domiciled in England. The address of the Registered Office is 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London NW9 4EW.

The Company's registration number is 09842642.

The Company's principal activities are the recruitment and employment of new staff within TheBarnetGroup.

## **BASIS OF PREPARATION**

These financial statements are for the period from 01 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 and are presented in British Pounds Sterling rounded to the nearest thousand.

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101, 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' (FRS 101) and on a historical cost basis unless otherwise stated in the accounting policies, and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006. The company has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemptions in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework":

- the requirements of paragraph 52 the second sentence of paragraph 89, and paragraphs 90, 91 and 93 of IFRS 16 Leases; the requirements of paragraph 58 of IFRS 16;
- the requirements of the second sentence of paragraph 110 and paragraphs 113(a), 114, 115, 118, 119(a) to (c), 120 to 127 and 129 of IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers;
- the requirement in paragraph 38 of IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements to present comparative information in respect of:
- paragraph 79(a)(iv) of IAS 1; and
- paragraph 73(e) of IAS 16 Property, Plant and Equipment;
- the requirements of paragraphs 10(d), 10)(f), 16, 38A, 38B, 38C, 38D, 40A, 40B, 40C, 40D and 111 of IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements;
- IFRS 7, 'Financial instruments: Disclosures'
- the requirements of paragraphs 134 to 136 of IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements;
- the requirements of IAS 7 Statement of Cash Flows;
- the requirements of paragraphs 30 and 31 of IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors;
- the requirements of paragraphs 17 and 18A of IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures;
- the requirements in IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures to disclose related party transactions entered into between two or more members of a Group.

New standards, amendments, IFRIC interpretations and new relevant disclosure requirements. There are no amendments to accounting standards, or IFRIC interpretations that are effective for the year ended 31 March 2021 that have a material impact on the company's financial statements.

The principal accounting policies of the Company are set out below and have been consistently applied in this first accounting period.

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## Going Concern

The company's business activities, its current financial position and factors likely to affect its future development are set out in the strategic report. In preparing the financial statements on the going concern basis, the Board considered the following:

- Management has prepared forecasts (including monthly cash flows) of expected results (including pension obligations) for the 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial years. These demonstrate that the company has sufficient resources to meet all liabilities as they fall due for the foreseeable future and for at least for the 12 months following the approval of these accounts.
- The financial performance of the company is good, with significant reserves. The directors have though when reviewing the forecasts recognised that the company relies on two fellow Group companies for all its revenues; the failure of either of these companies would be the 'breaking point' for the company and mean it requiring financial support from its shareholder.
- That in the event the Covid-19 pandemic results in further 'lockdowns' or other financial or operational issues, Government support and legislation that has been in place to date would continue; but if not, then the company has sufficient liquid resources and suitable mitigating actions available in the short, medium and long-term to manage the impact on operational and financing activities.
- That in the event of the implementation of controls and other legislation following the end of the Brexit transition period, the Group has sufficient liquid resources and suitable mitigating actions available in the short, medium and long-term to manage the possible impact of increased inflation and potential increased operating costs.
- The London Borough of Barnet has confirmed its intention to offer support to TheBarnetGroup Limited if this is required; such support would then allow TheBarnetGroup to support TBG Flex Limited to meet its liabilities as they fall due in a scenario where forecasts are materially inaccurate.

The Directors have reviewed the Company's forecasts as described above and on this basis as well as the London Borough of Barnet's stated intention to support TheBarnetGroup, the Board consider preparation of the Financial Statements on a going concern basis to be appropriate.

## Revenue

The Companies revenue is derived from recruitment and employment of staff for the Group companies. Revenue represents the value (excluding value added tax) of services supplied and management fee to which the Company was entitled in respect of the financial period. Revenue comprises the value of services provided (excluding VAT) in the normal course of business. All revenue is measured at fair value of consideration. Revenue from recharges are recognised when the recharge is incurred and it is probable that the economic benefit of the service will flow to the Company and the amount can be measured reliably.

## Interest income

Interest received on bank deposits is accrued on a time basis by reference to the principal outstanding and the effective interest rate applicable. Any interest receivable that is due has been accrued accordingly.

## **Operating expenses**

Operating expenses are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income upon utilisation of the service or at the date of their origin.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES CONTINUED

#### Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to cash flows from the financial asset expire, or when the financial asset and all substantial risks and rewards are transferred.

A financial liability is derecognised when it is extinguished, discharged, cancelled or expires.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are measured initially at fair value, except for financial assets and financial liabilities carried at fair value through profit and loss, which is measured initially at fair value.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are measured subsequently as described below.

## Financial assets

Financial assets can be classified in the following categories: at amortised cost, at fair value through other comprehensive income, and at fair value through profit or loss. The classification depends on the business model within which the financial asset is held and contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset. Management determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition.

All income and expenses relating to financial assets are recognised in profit and loss and are presented within 'finance cost', 'finance income' or 'other financial items', except for impairment of trade receivables which is presented within 'other expenses'.

Financial assets at amortised cost

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions, and is not designated as at fair value through profit or loss:

- it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

The Company holds trade and other receivables at amortised cost.

The Company recognises impairment losses for most financial assets (except for purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets) on initial recognition at an amount equal to 12-month expected credit losses, which reflect the portion of lifetime cash shortfalls resulting from possible default events within 12 months after the reporting date. However, if there is a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, the impairment loss is measured at an amount equal to full lifetime expected credit losses, which reflect the lifetime cash shortfalls resulting from all possible default events over the life of the financial asset.

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition and when estimating expected credit losses, the Company considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis, based on the Company's historical experience and informed credit assessment and including forward-looking information.

Loss allowances for trade receivables and contract assets are always measured at an amount equal to lifetime expected credit losses.

Loss allowances for the loan to associated company are initially measured at an amount equal to 12-month expected credit losses. If there is a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, the impairment loss will be measured at an amount equal to full lifetime expected credit losses.

# TBG FLEX LIMITED 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES CONTINUED

#### Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities include borrowings and trade and other payables.

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Financial liabilities include borrowings and trade and other payables.

Financial liabilities are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into.

An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the entity after deducting all its financial liabilities.

Financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, with interest related charges recognised as an expense in finance cost in profit or loss. Finance charges, including premiums payable on settlement or redemption and direct issue costs, are charged to profit or loss on an accruals basis using the effective interest method, and are added to the carrying amount of the instrument to the extent that they are not settled in the period in which they arise.

## **Contract assets**

If the Company performs by transferring goods or services to a customer before the customer pays consideration or before payment is due, a contract asset is recognised when the Company satisfies a performance obligation but does not have an unconditional right to consideration. Contract assets are in contrast to receivables, which represent the Company's unconditional right to an amount of consideration (i.e. only the passage of time is required before payment of the consideration is due).

Contract assets are subject to the impairment requirements under IFRS 9. Consistent with trade and other receivables, the Company measures lifetime expected credit losses for contract assets.

### **Contract liabilities**

A contract liability is the obligation to transfer goods or services to a customer for which the Company has received consideration (or when consideration is due) from the customer. If a customer pays consideration before the Company transfers goods or services to the customer, a contract liability is recognised when the payment is made or when the payment is due (whichever is earlier). Contract liabilities are recognised as revenue when the Company satisfies the performance obligation.

## Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently carried at amortised cost.

Generally, this results in their recognition at their nominal value.

## Income tax

The relationship between the Company, TheBarnetGroup Limited and the London Borough of Barnet has been recognised as one of mutual trading. Consequently, any activities between the Company, its parent company and the London Borough of Barnet are not liable to Corporation Tax. Albeit not under a direct ALMO structure, HM Revenue and Customs states that in substance the Company's trading activities are that of an ALMO, therefore profits and losses incurred as a result, fall outside the scope of Corporation Tax. Income tax expense represents the sum of tax currently payable and deferred tax where applicable. The Corporation Tax currently payable is based on the taxable profit for the period from taxable ordinary activities, which have been generated from trading with third parties and investment income (interest received).

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES CONTINUED

Deferred tax is provided on timing differences that have arisen but not reversed by the statement of financial position date, where the timing differences result in an obligation to pay more tax, or a right to pay less tax, in the future. Timing differences arise because of differences between the treatment of certain items for accounting and taxation purposes. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is regarded as more likely than not that they will be recovered. Deferred tax is measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods when the timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and law enacted or substantively enacted at the statement of financial position date. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Deferred tax liabilities are provided in full, with no discounting. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that the underlying deductible temporary differences will be able to offset against future taxable income. Current and deferred tax assets and liabilities are calculated at tax rates that are expected to apply to their respective period of realisation, provided they are enacted or substantively enacted at the statement of financial position date.

Changes in deferred tax assets or liabilities are recognised as a component of tax expense in profit or loss, except where they relate to items that are charged or credited in other comprehensive income or directly to equity (such as share-based payments), in which case the related deferred tax is also charged or credited in other comprehensive income or directly to equity.

## Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash in hand, deposits repayable on demand and other short-term liquid resources. Deposits are repayable on demand if they are in practice available within 24 hours without penalty. Short term liquid resources are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. They comprise term deposits with financial institutions.

## **Equity and reserves**

Retained earnings include all current retained profits.

## Post-employment benefits and short-term employee benefits

The Company operates a personal Pension Scheme with Legal & General to which both Employees and the Employer make contributions. Employees also have the option each year to use some of their salary to purchase a medical savings plan, dental health cover or participate in a voucher scheme.

A "defined contribution plan" is a pension plan under which the Company pays fixed contributions into an independent entity. The Company has no legal or constructive obligations after its payment of the fixed contribution.

The contributions to the plan are recognised as an expense in the period relevant to when the employee services are received.

## Provisions, contingent liabilities and contingent assets

Provisions and contingent liabilities are recognised when the Company has a present obligation because of a past event, and it is probable that the Company will be required to settle that obligation. Provisions are measured at the Directors' best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligation at the statement of financial position date, and are discounted to present value where the effect is material. The Company has no contingent assets.

## TBG FLEX LIMITED 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES CONTINUED

## Significant management judgements in applying accounting policies

When preparing the financial statements, management undertakes a number of judgements, estimates and assumptions about recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses.

The actual results are likely to differ from the judgements, estimates and assumptions made by management, and will seldom equal estimated results.

Information about the significant judgments, estimates and assumptions that have the most significant effect on the recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses is provided below:

### Determining the timing of revenue recognition

Please refer to the paragraphs under the heading "Revenue from contracts with customers" for the significant judgements applied in determining:

- Whether to recognise revenue over time or at a point in time; and
- The method used for measuring revenue over time arising from various service contracts.

Capitalisation and amortisation of contract costs arising from revenue contracts

## **Provisions**

Provisions would mainly be in relation to insurance excess on public liability claims, staff redundancy and pension strain costs and disrepair claims.

The estimate includes potential legal and compensation costs. It is possible that some of the claims may take several years to process through the legal system. Estimation uncertainties exist particularly regarding the timing and amount of expenditure.

# TBG FLEX LIMITED 3. REVENUE

Revenue is attributable to the principal activities of the Company and arises solely within the United Kingdom.

2021	2020
£'000	£'000

## Recharges and Management fee paid by companies within TheBarnetGroup in respect of:

Income from recharges  Management fee	11,093 444	9,496 378
Total income	11,537	9,874
Total revenue	11,537	9,874

The company's principal activity is the recruitment and employment of staff. In addition, TBG Flex offers flexible benefits to employees within TheBarnetGroup.

## Assets and liabilities related to contracts with customers

The Group has recognised the following assets and liabilities related to contracts with customers:

	<b>2021</b> £'000	<b>2020</b> £'000
Contract assets	2	2
Loss allowance		
Total Contract assets	2	2
Contract liabilities	-	_

The timing of receipt of payment for all performance obligations is similar to the timing of the satisfaction of performance obligations.

	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000
Revenue recognised that was included in the contract liability at the beginning of the period	-	-
Revenue recognised from performance obligations satisfied in previous periods	-	-

# TBG FLEX LIMITED 3. REVENUE CONTINUED

The transaction price allocated to the remaining performance obligations (unsatisfied or partially unsatisfied) as at 31 March are, as follows, together with the expected timing of the satisfaction of the performance obligations:

	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000
Within one year	-	-
One to two years	-	-
More than two years	-	-

## 4. PROFIT FOR THE YEAR

The profit for the period has been arrived at after charging the following:

	<b>2021</b> £'000	<b>2020</b> £'000
Employee salaries and benefits	11,104	9,491
<ul> <li>Auditor's remuneration</li> <li>Fees payable to the company's auditor's for the audit of the financial statements</li> <li>Fees payable to the company's auditor's for other services</li> </ul>	17 5	8
(detailed above)  Depreciation and amortisation	- -	<u> </u>

The other services provided by the auditor relate to corporation tax compliance, consolidation work and online services to file the statutory accounts with Companies House and HMRC.

## 5. FINANCE INCOME AND COSTS

	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000
Finance income:		
- Bank deposit and short-term investment interest	-	
	-	_
Finance costs:		
Bank charges	2	2
	2	2

6. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES		
	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000
Amounts receivable within one year:		
Trade receivables, gross		-
Trade receivables	-	-
Financial assets	-	-
Contract assets (note 3)	2	2
Prepayments and accrued income from Parent company	-	14
Prepayments and accrued income		15
Non-financial assets	2	31
Trade and other receivables	2	31
7. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000
Bank accounts	828	801
Dank accounts	020	001
8. EMPLOYEE REMUNERATION		
8.1. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT EXPENSE	0004	2222
	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000
Wages and salaries	9,916	8,513
Social security costs	892	745
Pensions costs	296	233
	11,104	9,491

# TBG FLEX LIMITED 8.1.1 DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

	2021	2020
Emoluments received:	£'000	£'000
Rebecca Toloui-Marks	2	4
Washington Ainabe	2	2
Samantha Court	-	2
Nigel Perryman	-	2
Terry Rogers	-	1
John Stephen	2	1
Nigel Turner	3	2
Robert Webber	2	1_
	11	15

Directors' salary costs are included in Salary Recharges.

## 8.2. EMPLOYEES

The average number of permanent employees (excluding agency staff) employed by the Company during the period was:

	2021	2020
Chief Executive Office	1	1
Service	374	340
Non-Executive Directors	8	7
	383	348

## 9. PENSIONS AND OTHER EMPLOYEE OBLIGATIONS

The Company operates a pension scheme for employees termed as default investment option which is the Legal & General (PMC) Multi-Asset Fund 3.

The Pension Scheme operates as a private scheme for each employee (excluding Directors). Employees contribute up to 10% towards the pension. The employer matches contributions made by each employee up to 10%.

## 10. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000
Current:		
Trade payables	8	-
Amount owed to parent undertaking	-	-
Amount owed to related party	13	
Financial liabilities	21	-
Other payables	208	184
Other taxation and social security	-	220
Accruals	30	56
	259	460

The Company aims to pay all suppliers within the contract or invoice payment terms and within the limits set by the late payment legislation.

## 11. ANALYSIS OF TAX CHARGE/(CREDIT) FOR THE PERIOD

	Curren	t period	Prior	period
	Derived	Accounts	Derived	Accounts
Current tax	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
UK corporation tax at 19%(PY: 19%)	-	-	-	-
Deferred tax				
Origination and reversal of timing				
differences	-	-	-	-
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	-	-	-	-
Provision of deferred tax				
Movement in provision:				
Provision at start of period  Deferred tax charge in the statement of	-	-		
comprehensive Income statement for the				
period	-	-		
Provision at end of period	-	-	<del>-</del>	
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Reconciliation of tax charge				
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	199	199	201	201
Tax on ordinary activities at standard				
CT rate of 19.00%	38	38	38	38
Effects of:				
Income not taxable for tax purposes	(38)	(38)	(38)	(38)
Tax charge/(credit) for the period				
rax orial gor (or only for the period	-		-	-

# TBG FLEX LIMITED 12. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

## 12.1.1 NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

The Non-Executive Directors are defined as being the members of TBG Flex Board. The Non-Executive Directors received emoluments for the financial period and were entitled to reimbursement of incidental expenses incurred when attending Board meetings and other formal events in their capacity as Board members.

The Non-Executive Directors are not entitled to pension benefits.

The transactions below are the only transactions with the Non-Executive Directors of the Company.

	<b>2021</b> £'000	<b>2020</b> £'000
Salaries Incidental expenses	11 -	15 -
	11	15

## 13. Controlling parties

The ultimate parent entity is London Borough of Barnet by virtue of its controlling interest in TheBarnetGroup Limited, which in turn owns the entire issued share capital of Your Choice (Barnet) Limited.

The smallest Group to consolidate these financial statements is TheBarnetGroup Limited. The largest Group to consolidate these financial statements is London Borough of Barnet. Copies of TheBarnetGroup Limited and London Borough of Barnet accounts can be obtained from 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London N9 4EW.