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# **EVERYTHING IS CONNECTED**

We have developed a comprehensive suite of communications to keep our stakeholders up to date.



# The role of this report

We believe the role of the Annual Report is to explain to shareholders how we create long-term sustainable value and to state our understanding and position on key topics such as:

- Our market
- Our strategy
- Sustainability
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### Investor presentations

We report our financial results on a half yearly basis. The latest presentations can be found at: www.uandiplc.com/investors





## Front cover image

Creating a sustainable business for the future, encouraging wellbeing and community across our schemes, as seen with over 100 elm trees planted at Circus Street in Brighton.

# Front cover quotes

Selection from various stakeholders.





# <u>DRIVES</u> <u>PERFORMANCE</u>

A BUSINESS WITHOUT PURPOSE WILL BECOME WORTHLESS OVER TIME.

OUR PURPOSE AND OUR VALUES OF IMAGINATION, INTELLIGENCE AND AUDACITY INFUSE OUR PROJECTS AND BRING THEM TO LIFE.

UNDERSTANDING AND MEETING THE NEEDS OF ALL OUR STAKEHOLDERS IS KEY. AS A RESULT, WE KNOW THAT PERFORMANCE CAN NO LONGER BE DESCRIBED OR REPORTED IN PURELY MONETARY TERMS, BUT IN DELIVERY AND ACTIONS TOO.

SINCE WE WERE FORMED, OUR PURPOSE HAS HELPED DRIVE SUSTAINABLE LONG-TERM SOCIO-ECONOMIC VALUE FOR OUR COMMUNITIES AND PARTNERS, WHILST DELIVERING FINANCIAL RETURNS FOR OUR SHAREHOLDERS.

# ST. MARK'S SQUARE, BROMLEY London City Region

We were appointed by Bromley Council to bring life to Bromley South and make it a destination of choice, addressing the urgent need for local amenities and creating a connection with the High Street.

## How we engaged

We wanted to create something authentic that worked for every generation – so we spoke to local people to see what that meant. We held regular consultations with community stakeholders to hear their requirements and address their concerns.

We also organised open-air cinema nights in the car park, helped paint and repair the local school and restored the gardens at St Mark's Church. Over time, we gained people's trust.

Construction challenges and delays meant it wasn't always easy. But it has been worth it as our final scheme reflects the area's hopes and expectations, with a nine-screen cinema, an upper and lower plaza with a hotel, public art, restaurants, much needed homes (including affordable properties) and parking.

# BUILDS TRUST WITH ALL OUR STAKEHOLDERS



# **Open-air cinema nights**

We held open-air cinema nights in the original site's car park to give the local community an early glimpse into what the new scheme would offer.



# LANDMARK COURT, SOUTHWARK London City Region

Widely considered too complex, this 1.7-acre site lay derelict and unloved for over 25 years. We were appointed by Transport for London as their conditional joint venture partner to create

a high-quality, mixeduse development that

would stitch this prime

Zone 1 back together.

location in London's

# How it worked

Following extensive consultation with the local community, councillors, interest groups and key stakeholders, as well as onsite activities, workshops and events, in March 2019 we submitted our plan that respects the area's rich heritage and culture.

Recreating Landmark Court's historic lanes and yards, our development will provide much needed homes, offices and retail space, along with a new marketplace, for this close-knit community, whilst protecting and enhancing neighbouring Crossbones Graveyard.

# BRINGS US CLOSER TO PEOPLE



## **Active engagement**

One of our consultations with local stakeholders to ensure we understand and reflect their multigenerational needs, as well as the soul and rich history of the area, in the final scheme.



# PRESTON BARRACKS, BRIGHTON

**London City Region** 

Derelict for over 20 years, and with a history dating back to 1793, we are working with Brighton & Hove City Council and the University of Brighton to bring the site's rich and vibrant past into our £200 million Gross Development Value (GDV) scheme.

# How history can inform the future

Restoring memories of the past, when Allenwest Brighton electricals used to be the pride of the area, our mixed-use project focuses on bringing jobs and economic prosperity to one of the UK's most deprived areas – establishing Lewes Road as a thriving academic and economic corridor in Brighton.

Alongside vital university accommodation, homes, amenities and green space, in early 2020 we will launch Plus X, an innovation hub providing much-needed flexible work space and mentoring to accelerate the growth of young start-ups in the Brighton area.

# BRINGS LIFE TO UNDERESTIMATED URBAN PLACES



# Restoring the heartbeat of Lewes Road

The original Preston Barracks army base and military hospital was built in the 1700s as part of the British response to the French Revolution. Breathing new life into this site, our mixed-use scheme will inject more than £280 million into the local economy over the next ten years.



## U+I'S PPP CAMPAIGN

While 78% of the general public believe public assets should be put to work for community benefit, around 45% feel negatively about the use of Public Private Partnerships (PPP) to develop publicly owned land.

We believe in the power of these partnerships to deliver lasting value and benefits for both people and places.

## **Challenging norms**

We wanted to restore trust in PPP and drive new industry standards so we undertook extensive research, consultation and a listening programme with the public, private and civic sectors.

With widespread support, including from Minister for Local Government Rishi Sunak MP, we have put our findings and commitments in a paper: PPP – The Reset. We expect this to enhance transparency, hold our PPP projects to account and encourage others to follow our lead.

This led to us being shortlisted for the Irvine Sellar Award for Innovation, for ground-breaking projects that have shaken up an industry.

# CHALLENGES EVERYTHING



# Helping shape the future

One of our PPP round table discussion events in London to find ways to bring together the public and private sectors to focus on one thing: improving people's lives.

# WHY WOULDN'T WE WANT TO GIVE A MAJOR ROLE IN SHAPING SCHEMES TO COMMUNITIES?

WHY WOULDN'T WE WANT TO TAP INTO THEIR KNOWLEDGE, THEIR UNDERSTANDING, THEIR PRIDE?

Matthew Weiner Chief Executive

The power of art to drive change. A Banksy which appeared overnight on a wall in Southampton and immediately increased footfall to the area.

# THE IMPORTANCE OF GREAT PEOPLE

Our best work comes when our team have a shared purpose and enjoy what they do. We encourage curiosity and creativity, giving people opportunities to collaborate on ambitious and rewarding projects that transform communities.

# How we develop our people

Ve want to retain and develop our talent, hiring the best people and giving them the training and support to allow them to flourish. Following feedback from our team, we have identified the need for additional training. We therefore began rolling out a new talent programme in April 2019 to upskill and motivate our people in all that they do.

### The role of the Board

Our values of imagination, intelligence and audacity are endorsed by the Board as they challenge our business to keep improving.

Our new independent Non-executive Director Professor Sadie Morgan, who was appointed in April 2019, will oversee a workforce advisory panel to encourage closer collaboration across our business.

# CREATES AN INSPIRING CULTURE



# **First Thursday**

Every month the full U+I team comes together, to provide updates, share successes and learnings and encourage collaborative thinking.



# CIRCUS STREET, BRIGHTON London City Region

Inspired by its heritage as a municipal market, our £130 million GDV scheme seeks to create a productive, sustainable model of city life – one with a real sense of community and social responsibility.

## How we think for the long-term

Starting with a single elm tree, planted when we first opened up this long-term derelict 2.4-acre site for events, we hand-picked a further 100 trees.

These trees form part of a public realm within the site, made up of university student accommodation, homes, an office and a new home for South East Dance, which will welcome c.17,000 local people through its doors each year.

# Why sustainability is important and the value it creates

Working with local businesses to source the bricks and cement for this BREEAM-excellent development, our final mixed-use creative scheme will provide over 400 new jobs and add more than £200 million of gross value to the local economy over the next ten years.

# ENSURES WE DO THE RIGHT THING



# An authentic approach

Reflecting Brighton's creative identity and to show the community the potential of the space, we installed an Anish Kapoor sculpture at Circus Street. This thinking followed through to the scheme currently being built, where we are creating a new home for South East Dance.



# THE OLD VINYL FACTORY, HAYES

**London City Region** 

The Old Vinyl Factory, the former EMI headquarters, is a truly special place full of architectural, cultural and industrial history spanning 17 acres.

# 100 years of history, remastered

We are delivering over 650 homes, c.500,000 sq.ft. of office space, a cinema, health centre, University Technical College, 60,000 sq.ft. of retail and leisure, landscaped streets with over 250,000 sq.ft. of quality public realm and a pioneering Central Research Laboratory providing co-working space and support for innovative local start-ups.

There will be new public artwork in the year ahead too, honouring the site's rich history, to complement the iconic 5.5 metre tall Nipper the dog statue so closely associated with HMV and 3 metre tall gramophone seating.

# SHOWS US WHAT GREAT LOOKS LIKE



# **Mirroring history**

On Captain Scott's Terra Nova expedition they took two HMV gramophones to boost the team's morale. Our scheme at The Old Vinyl Factory embodies the rich history of the site, whilst encouraging wellbeing, with the creation of outdoor spaces, filled with striking installations – like the gramophone seating.



Real estate is a platform for innovation. Done well, a building is more than just four walls – it is a place that can inspire, motivate and drive people, promoting happiness, learning and greater productivity.

We consider our work to be a privilege. We seek out the potential in overlooked spaces, collaborating with communities to create a shared vision and use our planning expertise and creative flair in regeneration to activate and breathe new life into places.

From here, talent can be nurtured, communities can thrive and innovation can flourish.

Each project we complete is a chance to deliver against our promises and to reflect, so we can learn from our experiences and keep improving.

Building on the success of Central Research Laboratory at The Old Vinyl Factory in Hayes, in 2020 we will launch a new innovation hub called Plus X at Preston Barracks in Brighton, helping to nurture upcoming talent, inspired by the spaces they work in. This is just the start as we plan to develop this concept further at other major regeneration projects.

# INFORMS OUR FUTURE



### Plus X

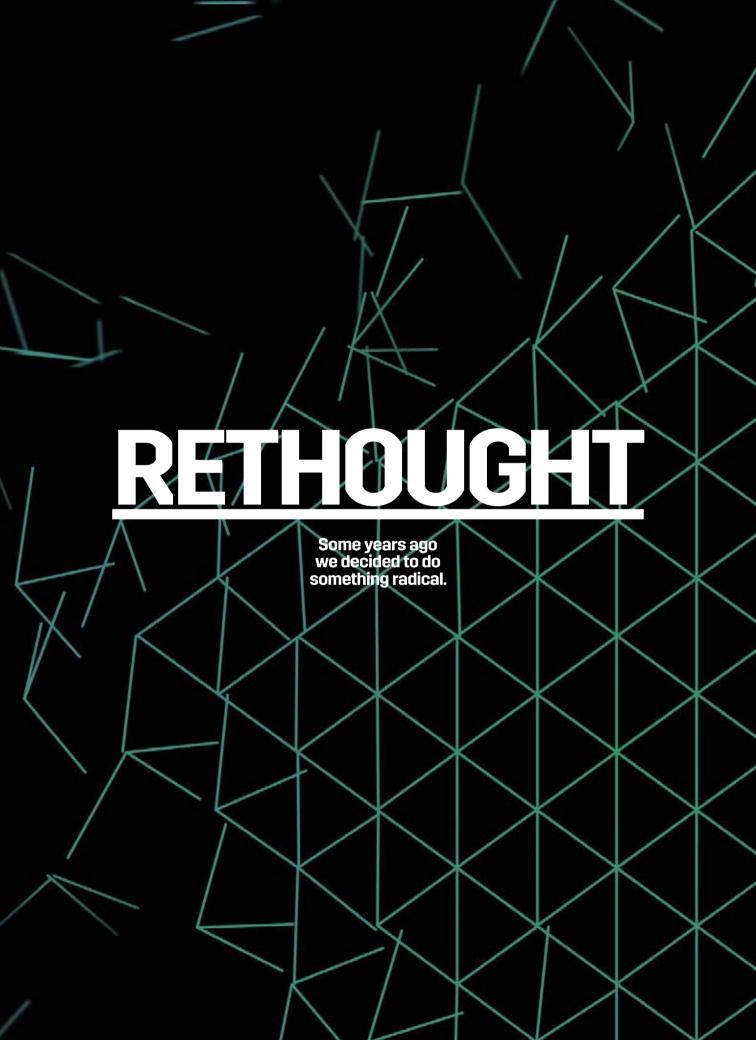
Construction is well underway at Plus X in Preston Barracks as we remain on track to launch the new innovation hub in 2020.

WE CONTINUE TO LOOK
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THE LONG TERM.

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Matthew Weiner Chief Executive, U+I





# REGENERATION RETHOUGHT: WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

Some years ago we realised there was a need and an opportunity to offer something distinctive: genuinely great places that would improve the quality of people's lives and deliver for our investors.

We knew we had to be radical so, over time, we defined our beliefs, our culture and, most importantly, what our purpose had to be: to unlock long-term value for all through regeneration. This has driven us ever since.

Our progress is built on trust and a reputation for getting things done. We build strong partnerships, focusing on areas we know well. We take time to really understand the potential of each place. We challenge the status quo to ensure our schemes will meet the hopes and needs of the local communities, whilst respecting and celebrating the true heritage and culture of the places where we work.

We create value through regeneration: developing projects with long-term capital partners, selling land or retaining elements of developed assets in our investment portfolio.

We have a >£11 billion portfolio of mixed-use, community-focused regeneration projects in the London City Region, Manchester and Dublin, where we have built strong relationships that give us a detailed understanding of local needs.

Driven by our purpose, we continued to build a creative and distinctive business over the year, focused on delivering on our strategy to provide long-term socioeconomic benefits for the communities in which we work and sustainable returns to our shareholders.

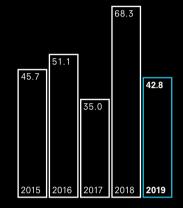
# **OUR KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

Our financial performance is driven by our purpose-led approach to doing business.

# Development and trading gains\*

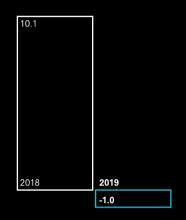
£42.8m





# Investment portfolio total return

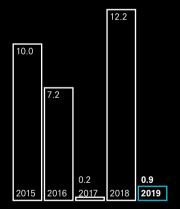
**-1%** -110%



\* Alternative performance measure

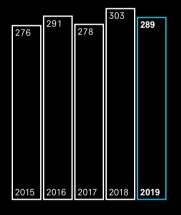
# Total return

**0.9%**-93%

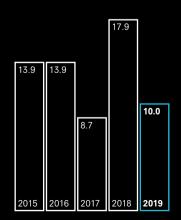


# Basic NAV per share

pence



# Total dividend per share pence



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**CHAIRMAN'S Q&A** 

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# Q. HOW HAS U+I PERFORMED THIS YEAR?

A.

U+I have delivered £42.8 million of development and trading gains, against our £45–50 million target. This is, in my view, a robust performance in these markets, where economic sentiment has deteriorated, political uncertainty has increased and decision-making has slowed dramatically. These market challenges have also created opportunities for us as we have built a rich pipeline of both short and long-term opportunities.

It hasn't always been easy and not everything goes to plan, as we saw at Bromley which experienced some further construction delays. That said, through persistence, passion and dedication, the team have overcome a number of onsite challenges and we have now opened and launched this mixed-use scheme, providing much needed homes, leisure, retail and parking for the town.

It has been pleasing to see the fruits of our hard work and reputation as we have further consolidated our position in our three core geographies of London City Region, Manchester and Dublin, taking on new trading and PPP opportunities and further transitioning our investment portfolio in line with our regeneration focus. These wins are no accident. They underline our differentiated approach and the wider strength within the team to identify and be awarded new opportunities.

WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE BIGGEST RISKS TO U+I IN THE YEAR AHEAD AND HOW DO YOU PLAN TO MITIGATE AGAINST THEM?

A.

Brexit has had a pervasive impact on our sector. Planning consents have been delayed, local authorities have been unable to proceed with regeneration schemes, investment decisions have been postponed at a corporate and individual level and there is declining consumer and business sentiment. These are issues that we have faced over the past year and continue to confront today.

Leadership uncertainty compounds these risks, as a change of Government may bring changes in policies, legislation and regulations, creating further complications around planning and development. This also makes it harder for companies to give guidance with any certainty.

We are however better placed than many to address these challenges. There is a genuine need for the work that we do – particularly as the public sector is under increasing pressure to maximise its existing assets

– and PPP is a key way to improve productivity. There is also a real passion within U+I to do that work to the best of our ability, learning from experience so we can build a robust business for the future. Combined, these should help us to deliver our longer-term gains targets.

We are hopeful too that, once current uncertainty is lifted, decision-making will pick up and the pace of projects will increase.

WHAT WOULD STOP YOU DELIVERING ON YOUR KPIS NEXT YEAR?

A.

Continued political and economic uncertainty is the biggest threat to our business in the short term as it is impacting market confidence and delaying decisionmaking. However, we have strong fundamentals to deliver on our targets supported by a well-balanced portfolio across development, trading and investment, to manage our risk. We are also working on some truly exceptional projects that provide visibility for the next 10+ years and should deliver long-term rewards to shareholders. We have strengthened and realigned our team to ensure that we have the right skillset to drive our schemes forward and deliver results that combine creativity with efficiency and productivity.

WHAT ARE
YOUR VIEWS
ON THE RETAIL
ENVIRONMENT
AND ITS
IMPACT
ON U+I'S
INVESTMENT
PORTFOLIO?

A.

There is no doubt that the retail market is in the throes of fundamental change, which has affected the performance of ours and many other companies investment portfolios. Overall sales are static but a growing proportion of consumer spending is taking place online meaning a number of retailers are suffering. That said, people still want convenience and they still want to enjoy the shopping experience. With that in mind, we take a great deal of care when we buy retail assets, choosing sites with a continued relevance for the consumer, ensuring the tenants are suited to the local catchment. They will typically offer some or all of community space, libraries, doctors surgeries, schools or other social infrastructure making them relevant for the long term.

The current environment presents some good buying opportunities, hence our acquisition of three assets over the course of the year – all in relevant locations which we believe will deliver the double-digit returns we





look for. We will continue to seek out well-priced, mixed-use regeneration assets that can deliver long-term sustainable income, whilst also increasingly retaining elements of existing development projects in our portfolio where we can nurture them to realise their full value over a three to five-year period.

# Q. WHAT DOES U+I MEAN BY PURPOSE AND HOW DO YOU PUT IT INTO PRACTICE?

A.

Every successful business needs a rallying cry, not least because today's employees want to feel as if they belong to something and are contributing to a greater good. At U+I, purpose lies at the very heart of our business – we want to turn underloved, overlooked sites into beautiful places to live, work and enjoy life.

Importantly, we want to do it properly so we work collaboratively with our partners from the very start of our projects. We listen to what communities want; we focus on worthwhile use, not just meanwhile use and we aim always to deliver places with a long-lasting positive legacy.

# WHAT ARE YOUR KEY PRIORITIES FOR THE NEXT 12 MONTHS?

A.

Our focus for the new financial year is on the delivery of our pipeline and ensuring that the business is positioned to deliver the results that our stakeholders expect in the most effective and value-driven manner.

We will seek out new funding partners to invest in our major PPP schemes and ensure that they move towards their long-term goals.

Beyond these goals, we will also seek to deepen our community involvement and create new industry standards. This will include setting up a new Community Engagement Panel to uphold the commitments we set out in our recent PPP - The Reset report to restore trust in PPP and hold us to account on our new projects, led by our new independent Nonexecutive Director Professor Sadie Morgan. This will help to imbue ourselves and the wider sector with vigour, determination and a tangible sense of purpose.

Peter Williams,





# THE FIVE THINGS THAT MAKE US DISTINCTIVE

We build strong partnerships. We have a clear geographic focus. We challenge the status quo. We respect and celebrate heritage and culture. Most importantly, we deliver great places. These five things help us to stand out and drive our performance.

Our values of imagination, intelligence and audacity inform everything that we do, allowing us to realise the untapped potential in places where others can't.

Our values are equally important, anchored by our clear purpose. We are motivated every single day by the curiosity to innovate, the commitment to retain the soul and stories of a place, and the passion for creating neighbourhoods where communities can thrive.

# STRONG PARTNERSHIPS



# A relationship built on trust

We have built a close and trusted network of partners over a number of years. From public bodies and local authorities, to contractors, investors and architects, we bring together the best people to challenge ideas and keep innovating. We are not afraid to test ourselves; to get to the unvarnished truth.

Only recently, we spoke to 75 senior decision-makers in the public and private sector to find out what they think of us and what we need to improve. The trust and relationships we've built with these partners over time create new opportunities, support our over 90% success rate in planning, and create barriers to entry for others.

In 2018, we were named on the Mayor's London Development Panel, a vehicle expected to bring forward up to £20 billion worth of developable land over the next four years. This will allow us to bid on new regeneration projects.

# How this helped us deliver in FY2019

Our close relationships enabled us to secure a fourth development opportunity in Ashford. At Newtown Works we will be working in partnership with Quinn Estates to transform a 12-acre brownfield site into a vibrant mixed-use scheme – delivering film and studio floorspace, homes, a hotel and quality public realm.

In our CEO review you can read more about our PPP campaign and the results it has had. Alternatively go to: www.uandiplc.com/ thoughts

EXPLAINS THE IMPORTANCE OF PARTNERSHIPS

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# CHALLENGING THE STATUS QUO



SIMON HESKETH, DIRECTOR, REGENERATION LONDON

EXPLAINS WHY WE'VE CREATED A NEW PPP CHARTER

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# Thoughts with solutions

We will never shy away from difficult conversations or complex issues. We challenge conventions, call for change and promote innovation across the property sector to help find solutions. This means listening to partners, change-makers and risk takers, commissioning research and facilitating conversations to bring about real change that can transform our industry – its practices and perception – for the better. Public Private Partnerships (PPP) are a case in point. We believe that, done well, PPPs can deliver value and release potential for everyone; but that is not how they are seen currently. We spent months listening to key voices, from politicians and developers to community activists and councillors. Óur aim was to understand the major issues and gauge what people really want and need. We published our conclusions in our report PPP – The Reset, published on our website.

# How this helped us deliver in FY2019

Our work to understand the issues and challenges facing PPP resulted in us making a series of commitments to pioneer change and deliver a best-practice charter for our PPP projects. Our aim is to lead by example and restore trust in PPP, founded on a genuine partnership between developer, public sector and the community. In April 2019 we appointed Stirling prize-winner Professor Sadie Morgan as an independent Nonexecutive Director to lead on the establishment of a Community Challenge Panel, which will hold us to account on the commitments we made and measure our progress.

For more about our research, visit: www.uandiplc.com/thoughts

# THE FIVE THINGS THAT MAKE US DISTINCTIVE CONTINUED <u>ING AND</u> JAMES HEATHER, **DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, MANCHESTER** THINK IT STATE OK. . . . . HE HISTORY OF A PLACE **14** | **U and I Group PLC** Annual Report & Accounts 2019

# Mayfield

Every building or piece of land has a soul and a story. For us, true regeneration is about working with that heritage and history to inspire the places of the future. We spend time with local communities to understand their hopes and aspirations so we can deliver places that they and future generations can be proud of. At Mayfield, we are committed to restoring the industrial character of this 24-acre former railway depot, which has been empty for over 30 years - creating a thriving neighbourhood in the heart of Manchester and creating over 10,000 local jobs.

# How this helped us deliver in FY2019

Opening up Mayfield's arches for events, workshops and consultations throughout the year – and establishing Mayfield & Co, our coworking space for young businesses – has restored industry and creativity to once-abandoned buildings across the site. It has also helped us to form ongoing conversations with local communities. What we have heard has helped to shape a shared vision, creating a plan that will respect and restore the rich heritage, distinctive personality and architectural quirks of the original site. We are also submitting planning in summer 2019 for Manchester's first purposebuilt public park in more than a century, which we are targeting completing in 2021. We secured endorsement for our Strategic Regeneration Framework in May 2018, winning an award for 'Best Planning Policy Document' in the process.

Read all about our Mayfield story at: www. mayfieldmanchester.co.uk



### Worthwhile beginnings make for worthwhile endings We know that when we

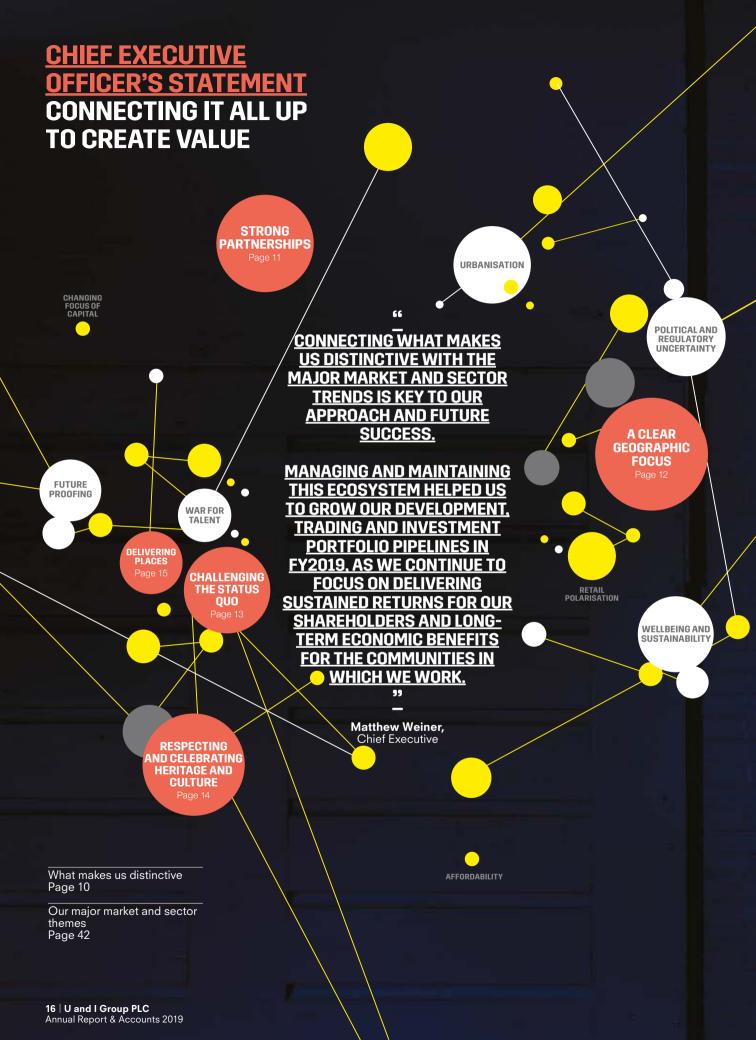
listen, we make better places and communities. The moment we secure a site, we open our doors to make use of spaces and places, starting conversations, adding value to communities and creating benefits that last. These include opportunities for independent businesses to grow and develop, cultural experiences, and places to meet, eat, drink, have fun and try new things. Other developers call this Meanwhile Use. We call it Worthwhile Use – not a temporary nice-to-have but an integral part of our regeneration process and an essential connection with local communities. It's about a social responsibility.

# How this helped us deliver in FY2019

The Workshop at 8 Albert Embankment is a temporary community and arts space, which has welcomed over 48,000 people through its doors. Alongside the London Fire Brigade pop up museum, The Workshop is home to charities, social and start-up enterprises and artists, all with creativity at their heart and all committed to supporting local children and their families. The space complements our dedicated project website, which allows us to share our ideas and plans and, crucially, to consult extensively with the local community, before we submitted for planning for our mixed-use scheme in March 2019. This collaborative consultation process has meant we have been shortlisted for the 'Community Engagement in the Planning Process' category at the 2019 London Planning Awards and the 'Best Use of Publicly-Owned Land and/or Property in Placemaking' at the 2019 Planning Awards.

### JOANNA AXON, DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, LONDON

EXPLAINS HOW WE MAK MEANINGFUL PLACES





U+I has delivered a robust performance in the financial period (to 31 March 2019), including £42.8 million of development and trading gains, against a very challenging backdrop. Our profit before tax was £6.3 million (2018: £48.2 million), and our basic net asset value is down 5.3% to 289 pence per share (2018: 303 pence per share), after the payment of £22.4 million of dividends (17.9 pence per share) during the period. Including joint venture assets, our investment portfolio delivered -1% total return (2018: 10.1%), as we suffered a 4.9% capital value decline. Post tax total return was 0.9% (2018: 12.2%), primarily reflecting the reduction in value of the investment portfolio.

These results show our resilience against an uncompromising market backdrop and a year marked by growing political, planning and economic uncertainty, without which we believe gains would have been in excess of our upper £50 million target. Over the last four years, we have delivered average gains of c.£50 million per annum, in line with our medium-term target.

### **Our markets**

The medium-term economic fundamentals in the UK remain sound, if unspectacular, with consumers' real incomes increasing and companies having money to invest, albeit showing reluctance to do so. The real estate cycle has numerous long-term supportive forces at play, most notably in terms of the supply of new accommodation, which has been comparatively disciplined. Interest rates globally remain anchored at low levels and, with limited debt exposure, the market can stay relatively protected against a slowdown. At the same time, we are seeing the redefinition of space, in terms of usage and ownership.

Increasingly property is seen as a service; a provision to be subscribed to rather than owned outright.

This has widespread consequences. In the retail environment, it has led to a much faster degree of obsolescence. In the office environment, businesses need to occupy inspiring spaces or else talent is not interested in working for them. In residential, people are searching for spaces where they can feel truly at home, but with pressure on disposable income, affordability and convenience are prioritised over postcode.

As an industry, we need to provide those places and we need to do this by creating multi-use spaces that suit an increasingly 'co-everything' world. Political, economic and social demand for the type of mixed-use developments that we deliver will continue.

These are the challenges but they are also opportunities for U+I.

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INTEREST RATES
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# CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S STATEMENT CONTINUED

### Our opportunity

We are a specialist developer and investor with a substantial pipeline of complex mixed-use regeneration schemes. We seek to transform overlooked parts of towns and cities, through a mix of commercial and residential real estate uses, revitalising communities. We unlock the potential of land and assets – mainly in the densely populated areas of London City Region, Manchester and Dublin – to create value.

Our blend of large Public Private Partnership (PPP) projects, shorter-term entrepreneurial trading activity and recurring revenue from our investment portfolio - all centred on mixed-use regeneration - give our portfolio a clear focus and generate multiple income streams to help to mitigate risk. Our deep relationships with local stakeholders help us to identify suitable sites and better understand potential risks so we can facilitate planning and delivery.

The scale of our projects, our vision to see the potential in complex sites where others don't, our partnership approach with the public and private sector and our ability to secure funding for our PPP schemes create barriers to entry for others, and give us a competitive advantage.

# PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

### Strengthening our portfolio

We are making further progress on our stated strategic objective to develop a pipeline of fewer, larger projects with public and private partners in our three core geographies.

In July 2018 Cambridge City Council and Anglian Water appointed us as master developer to deliver a major residential-led mixed-use scheme - named Cambridge Northern Fringe East (CNFE) - on an existing water recycling site, to help address the significant shortfall in homes and amenities in this region. The scheme secured £227 million in funding from Government's Housing Infrastructure Fund in March 2019 to relocate Anglian Water's existing water recycling centre and release the core 120-acre brownfield site. Having met this key milestone, the project is now progressing at pace. It will deliver c.£20-30 million of development and trading gains for U+I over its c.15-year lifespan, with our first profits expected in FY2023. These gains could increase should we bid for and be selected to deliver any elements of this project ourselves.

Public Private Partnership: Long-term, large-scale, mixed-use regeneration projects in partnership with public and private bodies. Equity light, these are undertaken with a publicsector landowner, who seeds the partnership with land. This means low upfront capital requirements for U+I. We capture value through development margin, as we deliver the amenities, offices, homes, jobs and public assets that communities need, and which resource-poor local authorities would otherwise struggle to deliver alone.

We remain in exclusive negotiations for a new PPP project in the London City Region and are also still on the shortlist for a major partnership opportunity in Dublin, and expect a decision on both in H1 2020. Combined they have a Gross Development Value of c.£2.0 billion.

In August 2018, we were also appointed to the Greater London Authority's (GLA's) London Development Panel which will bring forward up to £20 billion worth of development land over the next four years. This opens up new opportunities and supports our position on TfL's Property Partnership Framework, a position we have held since 2016.

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PPP is an integral part of our business and support for it was reinforced by Government in the November 2018 Budget. Yet it is often misunderstood as a mechanism for change and faces some reputational challenges. In the financial period we undertook an extensive research, consultation and listening programme with the public. private and civic sectors in an effort to understand these challenges, establish a blueprint to address them and drive new industry standards. We published our findings in our PPP - The Reset report in November 2018, whilst also making a number of specific commitments which will enhance and improve our approach to PPP. Most notably, we will establish a Community Challenge Panel which will be overseen by our recently appointed independent Non-executive Director, Professor Sadie Morgan, to hold ourselves to account on our commitments. The process to appoint the Panel is underway.

More about our PPP commitments online: www.uandiplc.com/thoughts





### **DEVELOPMENT AND TRADING**

### Steady progress in a difficult market

Public Private Partnerships are an essential part of our business and these projects tend to be large, long-term and equity light as the public or private sector seeds the partnership with land. In contrast, and crucially as a counterbalance to these large, long-term projects, our trading portfolio is shorterterm in nature. We buy land and add value through enhanced planning consents and/or asset management, leveraging our experience in mixed-use regeneration and local authority relationships that we have nurtured and developed over the last 25+ years.

Having achieved development and trading gains of £12.8 million in the first half, we added another £30.0 million in the second half, totalling £42.8 million for the financial period and reflecting our typical second half weighting. However, some projects were delayed - including Kensington Church Street and Rhoscrowther Wind Farm, both of which we now expect to monetise in FY2020. Some, like Hendy Wind Farm, we took a different approach to benefit shareholders, whilst others exceeded expectations. A full breakdown of the projects that underpinned this financial period's gains is provided in the Portfolio Review. It demonstrates the diversity and flexibility we have within our portfolio.



Preston Barracks in Brighton has been a particular highlight for us this financial period as we achieved gains of £13.8 million, significantly ahead of our £2-3 million target. This was mainly achieved through the sale of the residential component to Optivo, one of the largest housing providers in the UK, and some additional planning overage gains from our partnership with Scape Student Living. Optivo recognised the quality of the proposed scheme and, as experts in affordable housing, they are perfectly qualified to deliver this part of our wider £200 million GDV mixed-use development, that will provide over £280 million of economic benefit for the City of Brighton over the next ten years.

Preston Barracks, Brighton

Trading: Short-term trading opportunities where we apply our expertise in sourcing and buying undervalued land and buildings, creating value through enhanced planning consents, change of use or asset management. Our relationships and understanding of the market allow us to focus on opportunities where terms of trade are in our favour and we can realise value efficiently.

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# CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S STATEMENT CONTINUED

Harwell continues to evolve into a key project for us. This world-class, Governmentbacked science, technology and innovation campus, where we have worked since 2014, delivered £4.8 million of development and trading gains in the financial period. This follows the completion of two pre-let developments and the sale of a significant piece of land to an existing occupier. In the last five years we have delivered and leased 350,000 sq.ft. of space on the campus. In March 2019, our joint venture partnership secured £110 million of funding from Santander, committing further resources to the next stage of development, which in the next two years will deliver over 200,000 sq.ft. of high-tech industrial, laboratory and office accommodation.

With Harwell and CNFE, we now have two major PPP schemes in the Cambridge/ Oxford corridor. In line with Government, which is investing heavily in these locations, we too see this growth corridor as a focus for innovation and talent and we are committed to continuing to grow our presence here.

During the financial period we secured planning permission and commenced construction works at Hendy Wind Farm. We also entered discussions to sell the project at a level that would have delivered our forecast gain. However, as we moved to close, we did not feel the terms and price reflected the ultimate quality of the scheme. Therefore, as with Brvn Blaen last year, we felt it was prudent to delay as we believe we can get a better return for shareholders if we sell in FY2020 when the project works have been completed.

In the second half of the financial period we achieved practical completion at St Mark's Square in Bromley. There is a good level of buyer interest in the completed residential units and the leisure element is open and trading well. However, due to construction delays in the second half of the year, we have incurred increased professional fees as well as higher interest charges as sale receipts were delayed. leading to a provision of £1.5 million. We are in the process of settling the final account with the contractor and expect to resolve the situation during FY2020.

During the financial period we have focused on building our shorter-term pipeline to support our larger, longerterm PPP projects. At the start of the financial period we revised the structure and focus of our acquisitions team towards trading and this has delivered three new trading opportunities. All in our core geographies, the Arts Building in Finsbury Park, Newtown Works in Ashford and White Heather Industrial Estate in Dublin are a further demonstration of our ability to source exciting opportunities. We expect them to generate strong gains for the business over the next one to three years, giving us improved short-term pipeline visibility.

More about the market we operate in online: www.uandiplc.com/investors/how-we-create-value/our-market

### **INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO**

Investment: This is a recurring revenue achieved by acquiring assets with a regeneration focus that will deliver a sustained yield. We seek out sites that we believe have been overlooked and add value through smart asset management. Where we develop a site, we are increasingly looking to bring it into our investment portfolio to drive value and nurture it over time. Alternatively, we find sites with longer-term regeneration potential, that can potentially feed our development pipeline.

# The regeneration opportunity

At the year end, the investment portfolio was valued at £154.0 million (2018: £139.5 million). Over the 13-month period we made £27.4 million of acquisitions and £7.5 million of disposals. The core portfolio initial yield of 6.6% remained robust, confirming the work we have done on income sustainability However, we suffered a capital value decline of 4.9% (including our share of joint ventures) as market sentiment outweighed asset fundamentals, especially for retail property outside London and the South East. Including joint venture assets, we delivered a total return of -1% which takes into account capital value movements and income return. Our activity levels were below the £50 million acquisitions and £25 million disposals targets we set ourselves for this financial period but we believe it is essential, particularly in the current environment, to remain disciplined and buy and sell the right assets at the right price.

We remain encouraged by the high levels of occupancy across our portfolio (>90%), largely unchanged rental values and low voids (7.3%), evidence that smart buying and active management can deliver income-led results, even when the investment market is challenging overall. With such a strong convenience focus (38.1% of portfolio), no department stores and only 13.6% exposure to fashion/ footwear, our portfolio has the fundamentals to deliver. Retail failures from CVAs and administrations continue to have only a small impact, representing 2.4% of rental income. Of this, the net impact to income was only £75,000 or 0.6% of rent roll. We also have limited exposure to any one single tenant, with our largest -Matalan - making up less than 5.0% of total income.

The UK property market is uncertain, with liquidity weakening, mainly due to the nervousness triggered by delays in decision-making at Government level. We believe that retail assets are being indiscriminately valued rather than being assessed on fundamentals. This creates clear challenges for us as vendors and asset managers but also provides opportunities as buyers.

To that end, we have remained cautiously active in recent months, using this market uncertainty to make three attractive acquisitions: St Peter's Quarter in Bournemouth, Waterglade Retail Park in Clacton-on-Sea and a Pure Gvm unit in Finchley. Each of these assets is well-suited to the local catchment, has the potential for us to add further value through asset management initiatives and should deliver the doubledigit returns we look for.

Our portfolio is primarily in the retail sector, where shopper missions are polarising along the lines of destination/experience orientated visits or service/ convenience. Our focus remains on convenience-led schemes which are aligned to their local catchment and play a vital role within the community. Here demand remains robust and there is a certain degree of insulation against the ongoing shift to internet shopping and changes in consumer behaviour.

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# WE REMAIN ENCOURAGED BY THE HIGH LEVELS OF OCCUPANCY ACROSS OUR PORTFOLIO (>90%), LARGELY UNCHANGED RENTS AND LOW VOIDS.

Over time, we believe the industry will need to reconsider what 'prime retail' really means. Ultimately, the most attractive retail assets are those that provide a sustainable income by offering the right experience to the consumer and the right price for the occupier. These are the assets that we pursue, not 'prime' in the conventional sense but fit for purpose, resilient and delivering sustainable income and capital appreciation.

Having delivered our target return in FY2018, we have been disappointed by the performance of the investment portfolio over the 13-month period. We acknowledge that our approach has not delivered consistently over the last three years. We have previously spoken of the potential to retain elements of our development portfolio and benefit from the opportunity to realise further value as those schemes mature. As our development portfolio has grown in size, so this potential is now a reality and will allow us to benefit from the world-class schemes which we have created and of which we have a deep understanding. Most importantly, this reinforces the business's focus on regeneration, whilst also driving higher returns to shareholders, such that over a three to five-year period we expect to see investment portfolio returns closer to our overall target return.

Initially we have identified potential assets worth up to £250 million from our development pipeline which would meet our investment portfolio criteria. This means that by 2024 the investment portfolio should primarily be comprised of assets created from our development portfolio or assets held for their longer-term development potential. We know that we can achieve our targets and recapture previous levels of performance.

More about our Investment portfolio online: www.uandiplc.com/ our-places

### Capital initiatives to enhance delivery

In order to advance some of our bigger schemes, we have held a number of meetings with potential capital partners from around the world to invest, initially, in up to three of our major PPP projects. We have been encouraged by the level of engagement and interest in our projects from a range of private and institutional capital from across the globe, albeit UK political uncertainty has meant that progress has been slower than we would like, with capital showing some reticence to invest. However, empathy with the UK remains and potential capital partners have been attracted by both the quality of the projects and their locations within our gateway cities. We are in the process of shortlisting potential partners, whom we think are the best fit, see the potential of these assets and share our vision for our major projects. We are targeting concluding the process in 2020 and will give a further update on progress at our interim results in November 2019. Securina funding allows us to advance our projects cost-efficiently, ensures timely delivery of our projects in conjunction with our public sector partners and means we can rotate capital into new schemes.

# Efficiencies programme underway

We remain focused on maintaining capital discipline and a strong balance sheet. As reported in our interim results, we have put in place an efficiencies programme to ensure that we continue to manage our recurring overheads as effectively as possible, given our prospective pipeline of projects. This is being led by a Chief Operating Officer who was appointed in January 2018 on an interim basis to undertake a review of all areas of the business and identify and implement cost savings. Annualised net recurring overheads in

the financial period were £17.8 million (2018: £20.3 million).

Currently we employ certain specialist developmentrelated expertise internally, such as project management and marketing, rather than using external specialists. We do this as it gives us more immediate control over certain aspects of our projects. Historically we have viewed this as a central cost/ overhead expense. In order to more closely align ourselves with and be more comparable to our peer group, we are now adopting the industry-wide practice of capitalising that expenditure where appropriate rather than treating it as a corporate overhead. This has led to capitalisation of £2.5 million in FY2019, which is expected to be the level for future years.

To further increase efficiencies, over the financial period, we have undertaken an internal review of each part of the business, which has led to us realigning teams and improving some of our processes so we now believe we have the right team size, structure and skillset, relevant to the scale, value and stage of each project. As we conclude our existing smaller and legacy projects and continue to focus on fewer, larger projects, productivity will increase and support more efficient delivery. Furthermore, as we move into the delivery phase of our pipeline, we will increase the opportunity to earn additional Development Management Fees to offset our overhead. Development Management Fees generated in FY2019 were £2.5 million, a figure which we expect to increase annually over the next five years, with £3.0 million targeted in FY2020.

# CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S STATEMENT CONTINUED

# Dividend – aligning shareholders with our performance

In line with our dividend policy we paid an ordinary dividend of 5.9 pence per share – comprising an interim dividend of 2.4 pence per share paid on 30 November 2018 and a recommended final dividend payment of 3.5 pence per share to be paid to shareholders on 6 September 2019.

As part of our dividend policy we also pay a supplemental dividend related to the net free cash flow generated during the financial period. Given the strength of our net cash position, we are pleased to recommend a supplemental dividend of 4.1 pence per share (2018: 12.0 pence per share).

This will be the fifth successive supplemental dividend paid to shareholders, evidence of our ability to generate strong and sustained surplus cash flows from our development and trading activities, as well as our commitment to aligning our shareholders with the success of the business.

We constantly monitor the method by which capital is returned to our investors and the Board will review this again over the course of the coming year.

# Innovation to unlock potential and drive growth

Mixed-use regeneration is about breathing new life into neglected or underestimated places and we believe that innovation is an integral part of that process.

Having re-established the Central Research Laboratory at The Old Vinyl Factory in Haves as the ÚK's first full-service accelerator for hardware entrepreneurs, we have taken this proof of concept and committed £3 million to develop an innovation hub proposition we call Plus X. This brings together public and private sector capital to promote innovation, enhance job creation and give fledgling businesses and SMEs room to grow, while simultaneously driving demand for commercial space and delivering distinctive places. The first Plus X will open at Preston Barracks in Brighton in early 2020 and we have also submitted planning for a revised facility at The Old Vinyl Factory. This is just the start, as we plan to develop further Plus X holdings at other major regeneration projects. This concept delivers substantial wash over of value to our wider regeneration activity and we believe it is the first of its kind in our industry. In time, we expect Plus X to create additional value for U+I through securing further PPP opportunities such as Preston Barracks, whilst becoming a potentially valuable and scalable business in its own right.

During the financial period, we also made a deliberate move to explore innovation in property technology that has a direct benefit to delivering better outcomes for our projects. Having been early adopters of their product, in October 2018 we made a small investment into WiredScore, the market leader in certifying building

technology. As users, we believe there is tremendous growth potential for the technology, not just in commercial property, but increasingly in residential where connectivity and quality of infrastructure are of growing importance. Since the period end, we have also invested in Matterport, the 3D virtual reality modelling experts for the real estate sector. In our role as strategic advisor to these two businesses, we can share expertise, whilst getting an opportunity to see first-hand some of the new cuttingedge technologies that could inform our future approach to our schemes and help us to keep innovating. Given the speed at which the world is moving, we will continue to seek out relevant new innovations to invest in, where we can harness technology to get insights that will support our decisions and allow us to stav ahead of new trends, to deliver great places that meet people's needs, not just now, but for the future.

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### Strengthening the team

In recent years, U+I has evolved from a newly-formed business into a recognised brand with a portfolio of landmark regeneration assets across the London City Region, Manchester and Dublin.

That transition would not have been possible without our people, the backbone of our business and the inspiration for everything we do. Whilst our land bank can provide the raw material from which we can generate returns, it is our team that will realise this potential. In this vein, we need to do more and prove that we can execute, as well as originate. That involves ensuring that we have the right talent and structure to deliver on our KPIs and develop as a business.

To that end, from 22 May 2019, Richard Upton becomes Chief Development Officer, The Board has long felt that the Deputy CEO title did not fully reflect Richard's role. His ability to develop and realise a compelling vision, to build the necessary trust and relationships across stakeholder groups, and find solutions that benefit everyone are essential to our business. His job content will not change but this new title better indicates his focus, where he has accountability and responsibility for the origination of new opportunities, exploiting the potential within our increased pipeline and execution of our major PPP projects, including Mayfield in Manchester and 8 Albert Embankment in

We are also pleased to announce that Professor Sadie Morgan, founding director of architects practice dRMM, has joined the Board as an independent Nonexecutive Director with effect from 3 April 2019. A Stirling prize-winner, a commissioner on the National Infrastructure Commission and chair of the Independent Design Panel for

High Speed Two, Professor Morgan brings with her a wealth of knowledge and a genuine commitment to PPP as a source of long-term regeneration. As well as chairing our Community Challenge Panel to hold us to account on our PPP commitments set out in PPP - The Reset, Professor Morgan will oversee the establishment of a workforce advisory panel, acting as a conduit between the Board and our people to support employee engagement and ensure we are sustaining an inspiring culture relevant to our vision.

Worthwhile Use: From day one of securing a site, we use our spaces and places to add value to communities, hear their views and create benefits that last. Benefits such as risk-free opportunities for independent businesses to grow and develop, cultural experiences, and places to meet, eat, drink, have fun and try new things. This positive change rooted in the local community allows us to understand their needs and frame our projects around these.

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### OUTLOOK

# Delivering sustainable long-term returns for shareholders

U+I sits at the heart of major trends. We are regeneration specialists with the experience, understanding and creative talent to turn underestimated and overlooked sites into vibrant, mixed-use places that enhance productivity, drive economic growth and contribute constructively to communities.

The raw material is there neglected public sector land in our chosen geographies - with the public sector increasingly under pressure to deliver greater productivity from its real estate. The need has never been greater, people want to live in better homes, work in better places and lead better lives. We have the skillset and the relationships to enable and support central and local government to meet its targets, whilst addressing the shortfall in quality mixed-use spaces that will benefit local communities. That is our focus and we are confident that we can deliver over the long term.

The short-term will be more challenging, as markets face political and economic uncertainty. The Brexit delay spells another six months of uncertainty and will keep investment and hiring decisions on hold. This has had a direct bearing on our FY2019 results and has meant that we have revised our development and trading gains target for FY2020 from £45-55 million to £35-45 million and our FY2021 target from

£35-45 million to £45-55 million. We have reviewed our pipeline as a whole and, although we have moved Kensington Church Street, Hendy Wind Farm and Rhoscrowther Wind Farm into FY2020, this lowering of our target and retaining this larger guidance range reflects the market we currently operate in, where we expect wider factors - in particular the fallout from the political crisis at both central and local government levels - to delay decision-making and, in turn, the delivery of some of our gains.

Of course, within this increasingly complex political and planning environment there is opportunity for a business such as ours that treats community engagement as central to delivering schemes that can heal the divides that are blighting our cities. There is a need for knowledge and expertise to find opportunities amid the uncertainty.

We remain a total return business and are committed to our longer-term target of 12% average post tax total return and 10% average investment portfolio total return, and believe we have the right strategy and team to achieve these over time.

In the year ahead, we will focus on securing planning consents and delivering our development projects, while remaining alert to shorter-term trading or new investment opportunities where they align with our regeneration focus, as well as possible new PPP opportunities in our three core regions.

Our efficiencies programme enhances our ability to deliver value for shareholders for the long term. Our funding partnerships are part of this programme, enabling us to drive returns, while delivering on our commitments.

I want to thank the team for their hard work and contribution over the last 13 months. Against an exceptionally difficult backdrop, our people have continued to demonstrate the curiosity, passion and commitment that helps us to secure flagship projects and deliver on our key purpose 'to unlock long-term value for all through regeneration'.

Notwithstanding market conditions, we have strengthened our short and long-term pipeline, giving good future visibility. I am enthusiastic about our ability to deliver our projects and create a successful, motivated and inspirational company.

Matthew Weiner, Chief Executive Officer, U+I 21 May 2019

### **PORTFOLIO REVIEW**

The U+I portfolio comprises a balance of longer-term PPP projects, shorter-term trading opportunities and investment assets. These three elements combine to maximise value creation, providing multiple routes to market, diversifying our earnings stream and mitigating risk through the economic cycle.

There is a strong connected theme running through our schemes. They are focused on regeneration; they are focused on our core geographies of London City Region, Manchester and Dublin; and they are expected to benefit from what we believe to be the four key drivers of economic growth – talent, tourism, transport and tolerance.

Importantly too, each element benefits from the others, to create a unified business, where the whole is greater than the sum of the parts.

### **Development and trading**

- Development: large-scale, mixed-use regeneration projects that are designed to deliver significant value over time. Often structured as Public Private Partnerships, these comprise 31% of gross assets and deliver multiyear profit flows.
- Trading: shorter-term trading opportunities where we buy land and add value through enhanced planning consents and/or asset management.
   These comprise 39% of gross assets and deliver profit flows over one to three years.

Investment: Assets that provide recurring income, the proceeds of which support our development and trading activities. These assets also offer optionality for asset management or change of use to drive incremental value. They comprise 30% of gross assets.

We use our values of imagination, intelligence and audacity to bring vision and verve to our business and our projects. We have always thought of the communities who will populate the places we create. With this in mind we have increasingly recognised that the generations of today are more interested in affordability and convenience than postcode. This understanding combined with hard work and an increasingly talented team - have helped us to gain the trust of stakeholders in both the public and private sector, and thereby win landmark projects. These will become the core assets of the future and we intend to deliver them with our capital partners.

### **DEVELOPMENT AND TRADING**

### PPP

Transforming sites into vibrant mixed-use communities.

Financial characteristics: Multi-year profits.

Profit driver: Developing site and subsequent letting/disposal.

### **TRADING**

Improving land value, primarily through planning or asset management.

Financial characteristics: 1–3 year profits.

Profit driver: Disposal.

During the financial period, we delivered £42.8 million of development and trading gains. A summary of our realised gains and losses in FY2019 can be found on page 26.



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# PORTFOLIO REVIEW CONTINUED

### SUMMARY OF OUR REALISED GAINS AND LOSSES IN FY2019

PROJECT NAME	VALUE TRIGGER	PREVIOUS TARGET	REALISED GAINS/ LOSSES
Bicester (Mixed-Use Scheme A), London City Region	Completed disposal of this retail-led, mixed-use scheme, conveniently located opposite Bicester Village, to Value Retail.	£3-5m	£4.0m
Bryn Blaen Wind Farm, Wales*	Completed disposal in March 2019. Gain is slightly below our target due to increased costs in connecting the site to the grid.	£6-8m	£4.7m
	Completed sale in H1 to Hyde Group. This was the final disposal of the site we assembled in Charlton Riverside and was held in joint venture with Proprium Capital Partners.	£2-4m	£3.3m
Harwell, Oxford*	Sale of a plot of land to facilitate an existing occupier's expansion on site and completion of two pre-let developments totalling 65,000 sq.ft.	£4-6m	£4.8m
	The scheme was approved by the Mayor of London in September 2018. However, in March 2019, the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government called in the scheme leading to an inquiry in November 2019. This delay restricted our ability to deliver gains this financial period. We, alongside our joint venture partners, continue to seek a timely outcome and are targeting realising gains in FY2020 – either through development of the site or refinancing of the site post planning. However, this is dependent on the timing of the decision by Government post the inquiry. We have slightly reduced our forecasts for FY2020 to reflect the delay.	£5-7m	£0.0m
Curzon Park, Birmingham*	This asset has been acquired by the Government as part of the HS2 project. The gain represents our share of the estimate of the fair value due to Curzon Park Limited of the land that was subject to a CPO during the financial period. We remain in negotiations with HS2 to agree the final level of settlement.	£4-7m	£9.3m
	Disposal of the residential element of the site to affordable housing provider, Optivo and further gains from planning overage from our partnership with Scape Student Living. This project highlights the potential for successful PPP schemes. The gains exceeded expectations, largely reflecting the quality of the site.	£2-3m	£13.8m
	Planning for Hendy was secured on 30 October 2018 but we made a strategic decision not to sell the project during the year in the strong belief that we could realise more value by delivering a built out site. We expect to exchange on a sale in H2 2020 which should deliver £4–6 million gains. As announced at our interim results, planning consent was delayed at Rhoscrowther, meaning we missed the subsidy window. We now expect to deliver lower than previously expected gains in FY2020 through delivery of a non-subsidised scheme. A planning application will be submitted shortly.	£10-12m	£0.0m
	Various smaller projects, contributing less than £3.0 million apiece. These include completion of the final units at Ilford, delivering £1.6 million; development profit from the student accommodation at Circus Street, Brighton for £1.8 million, and the sale of the Assembly Buildings and Veneer Building at The Old Vinyl Factory, Hayes. It also includes a provision of £1.5 million at St Mark's Square in Bromley where we incurred increased professional fees and interest charges as receipts were delayed due to construction delays.	£9-12m	£2.9m

<sup>\*</sup> Held in joint venture

### New trading opportunities

We have continued to grow our trading pipeline with three new opportunities that are expected to generate strong gains for the business.

# Arts Building, London City Region

In January 2019, we acquired the Arts Building in Finsbury Park, a c.50,000 sq.ft., five-floor warehouse-style building. The transaction was completed off-market, highlighting the strength of our network and our ability to move quickly when necessary. Located less than 10 minutes from Central London, we will refurbish the offices and convert the ground floor warehouse space into offices and re-let. It is our intention to revalue or sell, generating gains in FY2020.

### Newtown Works, London City Region

In December 2018, we completed a funding deal with Quinn Estates to acquire Newtown Works, a 12-acre brownfield site in Ashford. This is our fourth transaction in the town, underlining the trusted relationship that we have developed with local stakeholders, including Ashford Borough Council. Work is already underway to transform the site into a dynamic mixed-use scheme, likely to begin generating profits from FY2020.

# White Heather Industrial Estate. Dublin

In December 2018, we acquired the White Heather Industrial Estate in Dublin as a medium-term trading opportunity. This builds on our previous strategy of identifying industrial land with potential for residential-led mixed-use regeneration.

### **Outlook for FY2020**

We have reviewed our portfolio for the comina financial period, including the addition of Kensington Church Street, Hendy Wind Farm and Rhoscrowther Wind Farm that have moved across from FY2019. Based on our current pipeline, we are targeting development and trading gains of £35-45 million in FY2020 (revised down from £45-55 million) and £45-55 million in FY2021 (revised up from £35-45 million). The projects listed below are expected to make up this target but, as always, these can change and we have the ability to flex this mix of projects where appropriate.

We have a strong pipeline of short and long-term projects and are focused in the year ahead on delivery across these. This includes securing planning consents at 8 Albert Embankment and Landmark Court – two of our major PPP projects in London City Region which we submitted



Mayfield, Manchester future scheme.

for planning in March 2019 – whilst also securing planning for the first phase of our £1.1 billion mixed-use regeneration project at Mayfield, Manchester, for a 6.5 acre park, office and parking space.

As well as driving value from our existing portfolio, in line with our strategic aim of growing our portfolio with high-quality projects, we will continue to seek out opportunities that meet our regeneration focus, where we can broaden our shorter-term trading pipeline and complement our longer-term PPP pipeline across London City Region, Manchester and Dublin.

### PROJECTS EXPECTED TO DELIVER FY2020 GAINS

PROJECT NAME	VALUE TRIGGER	TARGETED GAINS
Arts Building, London	Completion of works, letting and subsequent sale.	£8-10m
Newtown Works, Ashford	Securing planning and initial lettings/disposals.	£5-7m
Kensington Church Street, London*	Surplus arising from either development of the site or refinancing of the site post planning.	£4-6m
Hendy Wind Farm, Wales	Completion of construction and sale.	£4-6m
Rhoscrowther Wind Farm, Wales	Planning and sale.	£1-3m
Other	Various smaller projects individually contributing <£3.0 million.	£13-15m

<sup>\*</sup> Held in joint venture





### **INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO**

Smart asset management where there is regeneration potential.

Financial characteristics: Recurring stable income and capital growth.

Profit driver:

Potential sale in excess of book value or capital value through revaluation.

During FY2019, we completed £27.4 million acquisitions, £7.5 million disposals and £4.6 million asset management initiatives, as outlined in the chart.
Our target for FY2020 is to deliver c.10% total return, albeit delivery of this could be challenging in current markets.

PROJECT NAME	OVERVIEW	VALUATION
Disposals		
Killingworth Centre, Newcastle	In line with our focus on three core geographies, we identified Killingworth as a strategic disposal in 2018. In FY2019, to reduce our risk, we sold off the Mall element where we felt income was not sustainable. We have retained the long-term income from Matalan and Home Bargains units, yielding >8.5%.	Mall element sold for £7.5 million yield of 9.4%
Acquisitions		
St Peter's Quarter, Bournemouth	Bournemouth is largely populated by students and older, affluent retirees. St Peter's Quarter, a 98,000 sq.ft. mixed-use scheme, fits neatly into this demographic. Comprising student accommodation, leisure and retail, the asset is generating a strong income return and there is significant potential for further growth/asset management. In recent months, we have let additional space in the basement and benefited from break clauses not being exercised due to strong trade. We believe it will achieve a >10% total return, with 56% of the rent subject to fixed or RPI uplifts.	Acquired for £11.3 million
Waterglade Retail Park, Clacton on Sea	A convenience site occupied by four tenants (B&M, Halfords, Iceland and Carpetright), this acquisition exemplifies our understanding of the retail market and the niche opportunities it presents. All four tenants are well-suited to the local catchment, the investment generates an initial yield of 9.3%, with the opportunity to deliver double-digit returns through asset management and lease re-structuring. Since financial period end, we have re-geared the B&M lease, extending the term by eight years and generating a c.£600K capital uplift.	Acquired for <b>£11.3</b> million
Pure Gym Unit, Finchley	This leasehold asset was acquired off-market. Located on an acre of land, the transaction builds on our relationship with the London Borough of Barnet and meets our investment criteria as an income-generating asset with longer-term regeneration potential. It offers a net initial yield of 5.9%, expected to rise to over 7.0% at rent review in 2021. The residual value with planning for residential uses and vacant possession would be materially higher than current investment value.	Acquired for <b>£4.8 million</b>
Material Store and Boiler House, The Old Vinyl Factory, Hayes	Transferred from our development portfolio into our investment portfolio on practical completion, demonstrating how we can nurture quality assets where we see longer-term potential. Units were pre-let.	
Asset management initiatives		
Harwell, Oxford	The campus environment is improving, as we build new accommodation and the campus continues to attract top talent. This will drive rental growth by the creation of new headline rents. During the financial period, we also restructured the lease at the adjacent Gemini building, increasing the value of the asset by £2.0 million. We also completed an outstanding rent review on the Element Six building, securing an uplift in value of £3.5 million; our share being £0.9 million.	

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### **Key statistics**

	31 Mar 2019	28 Feb 2018
Portfolio value	£154.0m	£139.5m
Valuation change	£(11.2)m	£(2.4)m
Number of assets held	19	16
Value of disposals	£(7.5)m	£(53.2)m
Initial yield in the period	6.6%	6.2%
Equivalent yield	7.9%	8.3%
Contracted rental value	£11.7m	£8.9m
Estimated rental value	£13.1m	£10.7m
Voids	7.3%	7.9%

Specialist platforms
Our specialist platforms, focused on office refurbishments and income-generating strategic land in the London City Region and Dublin, combine our skills and experience with the balance sheet strength of our joint venture partners, Colony Capital and Proprium Capital Partners. More details of our five projects across the two platforms can be found below.

PROJECT NAME	OVERVIEW	FY2020 TARGET
Donnybrook House, Dublin	We completed the refurbishment of Donnybrook House, increasing the net lettable space by 37% and launched this landmark six-level office development in October 2018. Since the end of the financial period, we have let the gym in the basement and discussions are underway with the creative and technology sectors to let the office space.	Targeting the building being fully let and a subsequent sale.
The Hive (formerly Ballymoss House), Dublin	Construction started in August 2018 to refurbish and extend The Hive building, providing much needed office space to the undersupplied Dublin market. It has already attracted considerable letting interest.	Targeting practical completion of construction in August 2019, pre-letting the building and a subsequent sale.
Carrisbrook House, Dublin	Secured planning permission at Carrisbrook House in October 2018, having acquired the building in August 2017 as a neglected property with significant upside potential.	Revising planning consent to take advantage of new Dublin City Council planning guidance on heights.
The Record Store, Hayes	Progressing fit out.	Targeting fully letting building and sale.
Proprium Capital Partners		
Mecca Bingo, London	Vacant possession discussions underway.	Securing planning.

# **PORTFOLIO REVIEW**

### Top five occupiers as at 31 March 2019

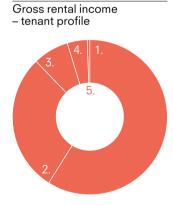
	Annual Rent £'m	% of contracted rent
Matalan	0.5	4.7%
Sainsbury's Supermarket	0.5	4.2%
Ricardo-Aea	0.5	3.9%
B&M	0.4	3.2%
Carpetright	0.3	2.7%

### Income generating properties - like-for-like rental income received

Year ended 31 March 2019	Property owned throughout the year £'000	Acquisitions £'000	Disposals £'000	Total net rental income £'000
Investment	9,831	3,931	(37)	13,725
Development and trading	1,823	334	308	2,465
Joint ventures	3,204	_	58	3,262
	14,858	4,265	329	19,452

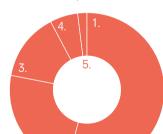
Year ended 28 February 2018	Property owned throughout the year £'000	Acquisitions £'000	Disposals £'000	Total net rental income £'000
Investment	10,288	_	1,724	12,012
Development and trading	1,306	_	763	2,069
Joint ventures	2,404	_	358	2,762
	13,998	_	2,845	16,843

### Core investment portfolio - 31 March 2019



1. PLC/Nationals: 58.9% Local Traders: 29.1%
 Regional Multiples: 7.4%
 FTSE 100: 4.2%

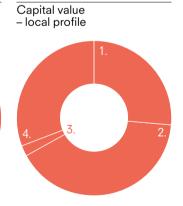
5. Government: 0.4%



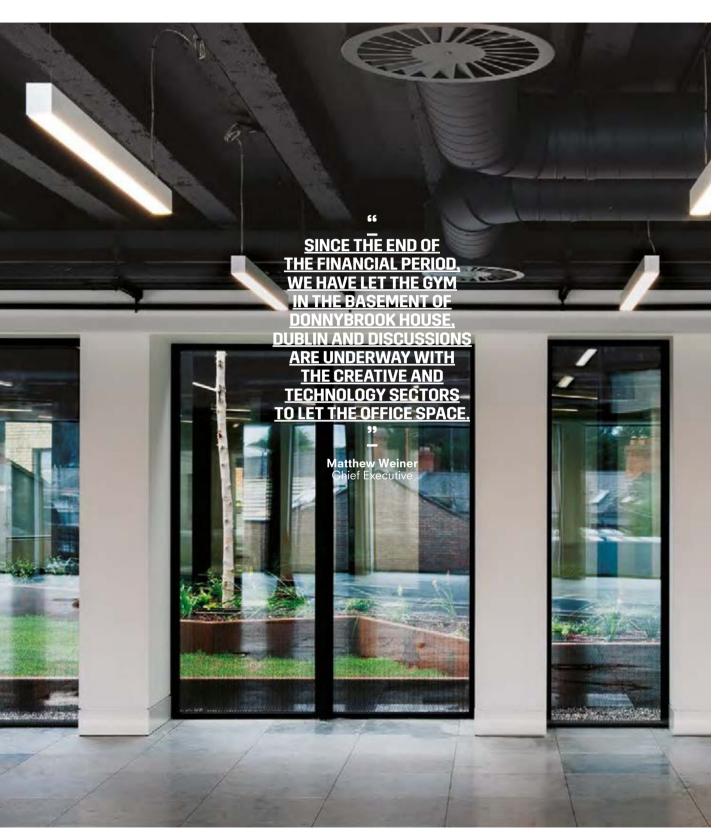
Gross rental income

- lease-term profile

1. 0–5 years: **54.4%**2. 5–10 years: **23.7%**3. 10–15 years: **14.3%**4. 15–20 years: **5.9%**5. 20+ years: **1.7%** 



1. London: 26.6% South East: 40.6%
 Manchester: 2.2% 4. Rest of UK: 30.6%



# SPECIAL REPORT WHAT GREAT LOOKS LIKE

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# SPECIAL REPORT CONTINUED

We are property developers.

That can be difficult to admit, because we don't have a very good name in the world at large. People tend to think of us as corporate gluttons, sacrificing social wellbeing on the altar of Mammon.

U+I doesn't want to be like that. And, dare I say it, we aren't like that. We are distinctive. That distinctiveness does not stem from bloody-mindedness – though we need a hefty dose of that from time to time. Instead, our distinctiveness reflects an understanding that what we do can affect – or transform – people's lives, not just for months or years, but for decades. So it matters, enormously.

### We have a real responsibility to get it right

The built environment cradles hope and opportunity. Done well, we can create places that are happy, thoughtful and locally distinctive; places that confer a sense of belonging; places that foster hope and wellbeing. Places that, when the hoardings come down, feel like home for the local community.

Of course, our responsibilities extend beyond the communities where we work. They extend to all our stakeholders, from public sector partners to individual and institutional shareholders.

Some companies may find these things hard to reconcile – for us they are intimately connected.

So, from the moment U+I was founded back in 2015, we knew our long-term value would come from being purpose-driven in everything we do.

Back then, we said we would unlock financial, economic, social and cultural value. We said we would kick-start radical transformations in overlooked and misunderstood places. And we said our track record would make us the partner of choice for public and private organisations.

# Three and a half years on we are still young, we are still growing and we know there is much more to do

There have been challenges and we have hit roadblocks along the way. We've learnt some key lessons, the most important of which is the power of partnerships and the need for a shared vision with our partners for the long term. We have to be resilient and resourceful, finding the right – not necessarily the easiest – solutions to difficulties along the way.

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# SPECIAL REPORT CONTINUED

The early evidence suggests that we are making progress. The value of our pipeline has grown significantly from £3.6 billion to over £11 billion; its visibility stretches out for the next ten years, and beyond. We have been mandated to develop some of the most high-profile projects in the UK, including the London Fire Brigade's headquarters on Albert Embankment and Mayfield in the heart of Manchester. These sites are unique and rarely come to market.

We are keenly aware of the responsibility that comes with them. Large-scale, mixed-use regeneration is complex. It takes time. It takes drive. It takes humility. Above all, it requires the values that our business lives by – imagination, intelligence and audacity.

The imagination to understand how underloved, overlooked land can be transformed into inspiring, inclusive places. The intelligence to understand how that journey can be achieved. And the audacity to know that we can do it.

It is these values that motivate us to work harder and more purposefully. And they hold true, whether we are refurbishing a tired shopping centre to improve the customer's experience or creating a park from nothing.

We want to be best-in-class and we want to do it in the next five years – creating vibrant places that enhance people's lives and deliver consistent, market-beating financial returns That requires a strong sense of purpose, a cohesive, unified culture and a willingness to learn from experience and mistakes.

It also requires exceptional talent. That does not mean making our team bigger, far from it. We have built this business by being nimble and entrepreneurial and we will stay that way. We seek out the best and smartest people to match the complexity of our projects. We will nurture and develop these people and inspire them to deliver our purpose with confidence, creativity and vision.

Our people are our future. They will drive growth, increase our resilience and take us to where we want to go.

### Having started on this path earlier than most gives us several advantages

Our projects take years to win and years to build. We have spent time earning the trust of our public and private sector partners. They know we are values-led and they know that we care. They also know that when it gets tough we won't hide. Things don't always go as planned and our partners know we are there for the long-haul and because we share a vision and a purpose. Together we'll work it out.

We understand that when our partners entrust us with their land, it is a privilege. They need these projects to work, to breathe new life into old spaces, to deliver homes, offices, shops and places to play – where people can feel happy and hopeful. They also need them to generate cash, consistently.

This is a responsibility and an opposituate; one that we are determined to maximise. Our UH train will deliver smetring exceptional - fer the people that live and work in our spaces, for the partners who cutrust us with them and for our shareholders, who support and back our growth.

We have started down that road. We will carry on with renewed vigour. And we won't disappoint.

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# **OUR MARKET**

# ENSURING OUR DISTINCTIVE APPROACH STAYS RELEVANT

### **MAJOR THEMES**



2. WAR FOR TALENT

### Description

A growing UK population expected to reach c.74 million by 2039 – a 12% increase on today (ONS, 2017). Over 80% of this is urban, predicted to reach c.85% in 2039 (UN, 2018). This is putting pressure on our towns and cities to offer the required infrastructure, public places, services and amenities – as well as new homes. Employers need to be in cities that give access to the workforce they want.

Several major economies are either at or close to full employment, yet in 2018 more companies than ever before found it hard to recruit staff (British Chambers of Commerce, 2019). Attractive workplaces that meet changing employee needs, whilst delivering something extra, are increasingly critical to engaging employees, enhancing individual and collective productivity and enhancing a business's overall performance.

### Change in year



**183.1%** 

of the UK population was urban in 2017 compared to 82.9% in 2016 (The World Bank, 2018).





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consideration for most businesses' headquarter moves today is proximity to top talent (JLL Real Views, 2018).

### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR U+I**

## c.1 million

homes could be built on existing derelict brownfield land in England (CPRE, 2019) but it doesn't yet have planning permission. This land could be used to provide mixed-use projects around transport hubs and help to meet Government's target of 300,000 new homes every year by 2025.

### £30,000

is believed to be the true cost of replacing an employee (Oxford Economics, 2014). To attract and retain top talent, companies need innovative work spaces, in high-growth locations where people can move seamlessly between work and personal time.

### Our response

We work with the public sector to unlock potential and generate returns from their existing assets. Typically, these sites are too complex for REITs and too mixed in use for housebuilders, but they suit us perfectly. Our opportunity includes c.10 million sq.ft. of land accessible by TfL and further developable land owned by the GLA, following our appointment to The London Development Panel in 2018.

We understand the importance of creating amenity-rich work spaces, that provide positive and productive workplace experiences that support mental and physical wellbeing, and promote employee satisfaction. Our schemes are created with occupiers in mind. They provide a flexible business solution giving companies – of any shape, size or purpose – an edge to attract and retain talent, and in turn increase their competitiveness.

Relevant strategic priorities:

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Relevant risks and uncertainties:

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- Key: Our strategic priorities
- 1 People first approach
- 2 Grow pipeline
- 3 Drive value
- Deliver excellent returns Maintain capital discipline and efficiency

- Risks and uncertainties
- Market risk
   Scarcity of viable opportunities
- © Counterparty risk
- Banking risk
- G Construction risk
  Planning risk



Brexit discussions, leadership challenges, elections and changes in regulation create risks and opportunities as companies and consumers adapt to a constantly changing landscape. This has led to some adopting a 'wait and see' approach to decision-making. This is exacerbated as macro-political issues detract from and delay progress in major areas, such as housing.



Comfortable, quality environments promote healthy living and working, whilst encouraging happiness, wellbeing, trust and social interaction. In addition, a building's design, automation, energy management systems and surrounding environment should all drive productivity. Providing a customisable, agile space with IT connectivity, collaborative meeting areas, amenities and health and wellbeing facilities are key to helping businesses to grow.

FUTURE PROOFING

In a rapidly changing world, where shifting trends influence how we live, work, shop and play, cities will only meet their growth challenges if they support innovation and stay relevant. To do so requires designing for radical flexibility suited to the catchment area, so local people, companies and talent - as well as consumers and visitors - will choose to live, work and shop there.



### **↓ Four quarters**

in succession business investment has fallen, the largest spell of continuous decline since the great financial crisis (ONS, 2019).



### ↑>Two-thirds

of organisations are taking steps to identify and reduce workplace stress, an increase on previous years (CIPD, 2018).



### **1900,000**

creative sector jobs expected to be created nationally by 2030 (Centre for London, 2018). That means businesses need flexible, innovative workplaces to meet their evolving needs.

### #1

most powerful financial centre in the world, London will continue to attract international businesses to headquarter and invest in the UK capital (Savills, 2019). Other major cities - such as Dublin and Manchester - should also benefit as companies base themselves around talent hubs.

### 68%

of public sector workers believe employees' mental and physical wellbeing are on the agenda of senior leaders (CIPD, 2018). Government and businesses are pushing for quality environments that promote healthy living and working.

### 900,000

hectares of freehold land in England and Wales (Telereal Trillium report, 2016) owned by public sector organisations could support delivery of inspirational and agile mixed-use places, shaped to meet evolving business and community needs, whilst allowing local authorities to generate income from existing assets.

Our size and flexibility mean we can anticipate and respond quickly to change. We work collaboratively with Government across all parties, towards policies and a regulatory framework that will help local communities to prosper. Dublin has become the most popular location for financial services firms looking to relocate post-Brexit (EY, 2019), showing increasing opportunities in this core geography, whilst our schemes in the Cambridge Oxford corridor align with Government's focus on science and innovation.

We understand the importance of placemaking to bring communities together. We listen to local needs to ensure our schemes respect the local heritage of the place, whilst encouraging healthy, active lifestyles. Typically, our buildings offer green space to encourage cycling and walking, as well as a range of leisure amenities, such as gyms, dance halls, yoga studios, bike facilities and entertainment.

We understand that real estate is more than a physical product; it is a flexible, customer-centric service. That is why we are exploring innovation in property technology - including investing in WiredScore, Matterport and Plus X – to give fledgling businesses and SMEs an opportunity to grow, and – importantly - to see first-hand new cutting-edge technologies that could inform our approach, give us an edge and transform the future of real estate.









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### **OUR MARKET**

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  Our strategic priorities
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### SECTOR THEMES

Description



Rapidly advancing technology is changing attitudes and increasing demand for flexible living, working and social spaces. This influences the design and make-up of real estate, reinforcing the importance of innovative and flexible spaces close to good transport links and anchored by amenities.

AFFORDABILITY

Affordability is a key factor for decision-makers across residential and commercial property. The purchasing power of both individuals and companies has been impacted by numerous factors, including low wages, declining confidence and pressure to retain top talent. Hit by a slowdown in sales, retailers are also demanding more affordable rents.

### Change in year



### ↑£184 billion

value of the digital sector, as UK tech expanded nearly 3x faster than the rest of the economy in 2018 (Tech Nation, 2018), with London a particular focus of activity, making the need for innovative spaces for this tech talent more acute than ever.



fall in home ownership in the UK since the financial crisis (Bloomberg Economics, 2018), with the average home in England in 2017 costing almost 8x more than the average annual pay packet (Shelter, 2019).

### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR U+I**

### **58%**

of workers say their workplace enables them to work productively (Savills, 2019). This drives the need for smart, creative building design and access to amenities and leisure facilities so people can move seamlessly between work, home and social activities.

### **78%**

of people believe public sector organisations should ensure their unused land is developed to provide housing and create new places for local communities (YouGov, 2018). The need for attractive, mixed-use sites where people can afford to live, work and socialise is of growing importance, particularly as more homes would increase sales and reduce prices.

### Our response

The appointment of a new Creative Director in March 2019 brings fresh ideas, creativity and experience as we seek to challenge norms and test boundaries so that we can deliver the most innovative mixed-use designs, that support greater flexibility and connectivity. Crucially too, these must be locally relevant, not just for today but also in the future.

In today's world, agile, affordable, convenient environments are frequently more important than postcode. We operate in the midmarket where there is the greatest shortfall in both residential and commercial space and we focus on three core geographies where demand remains high.

Relevant strategic priorities:



Relevant risks and uncertainties:

# **RETAIL** POLARISATION

CHANGING **FOCUS OF** CAPITAL

Traditional retail is under intense pressure, hit by weak GDP growth, the explosion of ecommerce and rising costs. Physical stores have an important role to play but, to remain relevant, there is a growing need for mixed-use environments that provide attractive and accessible shopping, leisure, culture and community experiences. Space needs to be either experiential and/or convenient, whilst also engaging or inspiring.

€72.4 billion of new capital is expected to flow into global real estate in 2019, as institutions seek yield. Gateway cities are the most likely beneficiaries of this investment (Inrev. Andrev and Prea. 2019). Weak Sterling and a strong regulatory framework make the UK an attractive destination for overseas investors, seeking out robust local economies, occupational activity and the prospect of rental growth.

### **RESPONDING TO MARKET THEMES:** PRESTON BARRACKS. **LONDON CITY REGION**

We are motivated to become the best mixed-use regeneration developer in the UK and Dublin. To do so, we recognise that we need to constantly review our business model and the market in which we operate to ensure we continue to be relevant, not just now, but for the future. Demand for mixed-use regeneration is growing and our distinctive approach and trust, built up over 25+ years, create barriers for others, and opportunities for us.



### **↑>2,400**

shops disappeared from Britain's top 500 high streets in 2018, the highest level on record, with chain stores closing at their fastest rate in nine years (PwC, 2019).



increase in allocations to property - from 8.9% in 2013 to a forecast 10.6% in 2019 (Hodes Weill & Associates, 2018).



### c.18%

forecast growth of convenience market between 2018 and 2023 (IGD, 2018), with 90% of UK retail sales touching a physical store (CBRE, 2019). Assets providing the right retail experience to the relevant consumer whilst remaining affordable to occupiers will continue to perform.

### >10%

average global allocation to real estate, compared to less than 9% previously (JLL, 2019). The search for returns is pushing investors up the risk curve to pursue development opportunities.

We recognise the importance of context and content for all our assets. The appointment of a new Head of Content in March 2019 will ensure we continue to anticipate and meet user needs, fulfilling our promises to deliver life enhancing, community-led places. Sustaining retail as part of a reinvigorated mixed-use centre is a challenge but consumers are still willing to pay for experiences, if they are the right ones for them.

We understand the appetite for exciting regeneration schemes in high-growth geographies, de-risked through a trusted partner, that can provide access to a growing portfolio, local expertise and relationships. We are offering capital partners the opportunity to fund and share in the success of three of our PPP schemes, providing them with access to rarely available land, whilst conferring

benefits and efficiencies for U+I.

Faced with a deficit of suitable accommodation to meet demand in this long-term derelict former Ministry of Defence site, and an urgent battle to attract and retain top talent, Brighton & Hove City Council and University of Brighton asked U+I to help to establish the Lewes Road area as a thriving new academic and economic corridor in Brighton.

In one of Brighton's biggest ever regeneration projects, our £200 million GDV Preston Barracks project will provide 369 new homes, 534 student bedrooms in managed halls of residence, a new home for the University's Business School and a 50,000 sq.ft. innovation hub, called Plus X, to support local start-ups and SMEs. Respecting the site's rich heritage, designed to encourage innovation and wellbeing, the new Preston Barracks scheme will support the retention of top talent and create over 1,500 jobs, injecting more than £280 million into the local economy over the next ten years.





# WE FOCUS ON THREE HIGH-GROWTH GEOGRAPHIES.

London City Region (defined as within one hour's commute from London), Manchester and Dublin are thriving markets, rich in heritage, culture and potential. These well-connected knowledge anchors are also experiencing sustained population growth and have strong, above-average employment dynamics which are forecast to continue in the near, medium and longer-term.

Crucially, they share four key attributes, all of which we believe are major drivers of economic growth:

> <u>1.</u> TALENT

<u>2.</u> Tourism

3. TRANSPORT

4. TOLERANCE

Our longstanding presence in these regions has given us an intimate understanding of the local communities, their demographics and their evolving needs. We have also had time to develop a track record and create a privileged network, earning the trust of our stakeholders and driving support for our continued expansion plans.

The following pages report on our four Ts by geography.



CAPITAL OF THE FASTEST GROWING ECONOMY IN THE EU

- High-growth market

   Sixth most competitive economy in the world in 2017 and fastest growing in the Eurozone
- Population expected to increase by 1 million by 2040
- Financial Times' #1 'large' city destination for foreign direct investment in 2018 (Singapore and London
- best 'major' city)
  Third largest EMEA tech
  cluster in Europe after London and Madrid

### Top talent

- European home to four of Forbes' top ten most innovative companies in the world
- Youngest population in Europe, with a third under 25 years old
- Third behind London and Madrid of CBRE's November 2018 EMEA large tech clusters

### Strong tourism

30 million visitors passed through Dublin in the last 12 months

- Excellent transport links

   Over 600 daily flights to
  185+ destinations
- Good accessibility by boat, train, bus, bike, air, with the airport only 10km from the city centre and the ferry port only 4km

- Tolerance for diversity

   Global Financial Centres' Index Top 30 best places in the world to live and do business
  - 17% of population in Ireland non-Irish nationals

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- Most successful city for attracting foreign direct investment outside London Home to eighty of the FTSE 100
  20 million people live within two hour's commute
  Biggest digital and tech

- hub in the UK after London
- Laureates on their staff
- capacity to grow from 28 million to c.50 million passengers a year

# **OUR INTEGRATED BUSINESS MODEL**

Our business model is aligned with a number of major global macro and sector trends. As such, there is an urgent need for the type of mixed-use regeneration projects we deliver.

More information about our markets on page 42

### **WE HAVE A DISTINCTIVE APPROACH**

We have built a differentiated business, gaining the trust of our partners, earning a reputation for creativity and collaboration, and building a strong team to drive performance.

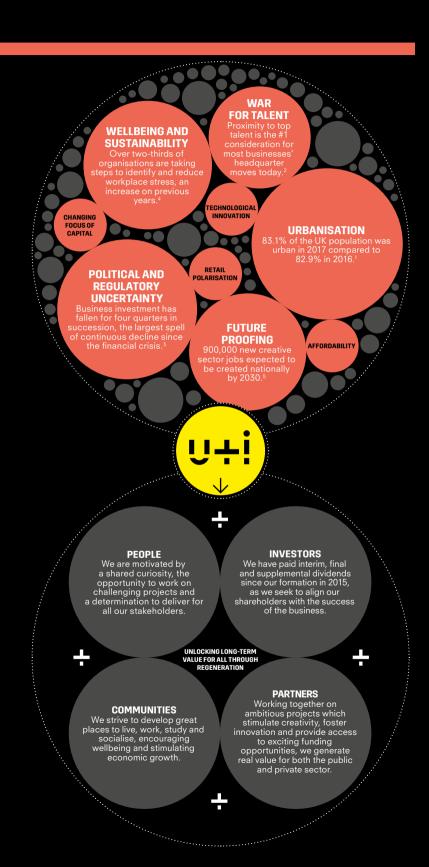
The combination of our approach and market need is fundamental to growth, helping us to deliver great places, create brand value, drive our pipeline and achieve our purpose.

More about our future ambitions on page 34

### Sources:

- The World Bank, 2018 JLL, 2018 ONS, 2019 CIPD, 2018

- 5. Centre for London, 2018



- Key: Relevant market themes
- 1 Urbanisation 2 War for talent
- Nolitical and regulatory uncertainty
   Wellbeing and sustainability
   Future proofing

Relevant risks and uncertainties

- B Scarcity of viable opportunities
- © Counterparty risk

  Banking risk
- Construction risk Planning risk

# HOW WE UNLOCK AND ADD VALUE

# Securing land and our six key inputs

We secure land for community-focused regeneration and mixed-use development projects. These are often underestimated and overlooked sites, full of heritage and potential, but too complex for other developers.

# 1. People

A motivated team of experts with the right mix of experience and skills to deliver the ambitious projects our partners and communities expect and deserve.

# 2. Purpose

Driven by our values, we have the vision to unlock potential where others can't and the intelligence, imagination and audacity to take ideas forward and benefit all our stakeholders.

# 3. Assets

We find underloved. overlooked sites which we can buy, transform, revive and nurture, while respecting and restoring their heritage.

# 4. Partners

Regeneration only works through genuine partnership. We work collaboratively with our partners and bring together the best people to challenge ideas, innovate and ultimately deliver positive change.

# 5. Financial strength

A strong, efficient balance sheet, an equity-light approach and access to finance mean we can move quickly when we find the right opportunities where we can unlock potential.

# 6. Reputation

Over the last 25+ years we have built real trust with partners and communities. Our reputation means we are increasingly selected to bid for exciting new business opportunities.

# **OUR THREE VALUE CREATING**

Transforming underestimated sites into vibrant mixed-use communities.

# Value creating activities: Large, long-term regeneration projects

We have an equity-light approach with the public or private sector which seeds the partnership with land.

We capture value through mixed-used development, typically including some résidential, office, retail and leisure.

# Multi-year profits.

Profit driver:

Developing site and subsequent letting/disposal.

Quality, network and trust give us a licence to operate:

- We have a high success rate in securing public private partnerships
- We are a public sector partner of choice and TfL and GLA panel members, giving us privileged access to new opportunities

# Relevant market themes

1 2 3 4 5

# Relevant risks and uncertainties

B C D E

Improving land value, primarily through planning or asset management.

# Value creating acti Short-term trading

# opportunit<u>ies</u>

We take advantage of mis-priced assets.

We secure land and add value through enhanced planning consents, change of use or asset management.

# 1-3 year profits.

Profit driver: Disposal.

We are good at getting planning permission:

- Our success rate is >90%, mitigating planning risk
- We have long-term relationships with decision makers
- We optimise mix of use and density to create value through planning

# Relevant market themes

1 2 3 4 5

# Relevant risks and

Smart asset management where there is regeneration potential.

# Value creating activities: Asset management

We add value through active asset management of income producing sites. They are our anchor for development and trading activities.

Financial characteristics: Recurring stable income and capital growth.

# Profit driver:

Potential sale in excess of book value or capital value through revaluation.

Our proactive approach and local knowledge drives value:

- Asset management initiatives help increase occupancy and support higher rents
- Our regeneration focus allows us to transition PPP/trading projects across to our investment portfolio where we can nurture them to gain further long-term value

# Relevant market themes

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# Relevant risks and uncertainties







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# uncertainties









# OUR STRATEGY RESPONDING TO MARKET **THEMES**

# STRATEGIC PRIORITY #1: PEOPLE FIRST

# Description

Our greatest strength is our people and their belief in what we do – both our dedicated team at U+I and the wider circle of partners and communities we work with every day. Their insights, expertise and commitment to our purpose make us tick, helping us to keep improving so we can deliver successful projects and sustainable returns for our shareholders

# Context

The Government's industrial strategy for a productive, wealth-creating economy outlined five foundations of productivity - ideas, people, infrastructure, places and business environment.

# **Progress against KPIs and** FY2019 highlights

Employee satisfaction



new Non-executive Director appointment

# Future objectives and targets

- Continue to invest in quality people through a new talent programme that will drive our distinctive approach and support delivery of >90% employee satisfaction every year
- Ensure our values of imagination, intelligence and audacity underpin everything that we do so we can deliver thriving mixed-use places that support local communities and drive productivity
- Regular feedback to the Board through creation of a workforce advisory panel, led by our new independent Nonexecutive Director

# Relevant market themes:







Relevant risks and uncertainties:







First Thursday all company meeting.







# **OUR STRATEGY**

# STRATEGIC PRIORITY #3: **DRIVE VALUE**

# Description

Focused on regeneration, our integrated development, trading and investment portfolio drives our growth, plays to our strengths and mitigates risk.

We secure opportunities, add value through planning and realise value through the development, sale, or nurturing of assets in our investment portfolio.

# Context

Companies with a higher social value have been outperforming other stocks over the last five years (Drucker Institute Corporate Effectiveness Index, 2019).

In a competitive landscape, top performance requires experience, understanding, close relationships and active asset management initiatives.

# **Progress against KPIs and** FY2019 highlights

investment portfolio total return against 10% per annum target (FY2018: 10.1%)

# £4.6m

value created from asset management initiatives (FY2018: £6.5 million)

# Future objectives and targets

- Retain quality regeneration projects in investment portfolio, to nurture for the long term, whilst benefiting from early investment and the added value generated through planning, development and asset management
- Secure planning consents for significant projects including 8 Albert Embankment, Landmark Court and Mayfield
- Improve performance of investment portfolio through asset management, strategic acquisitions, disposal of non-core assets and retention of development and trading assets
- Targeting 10% total return in investment portfolio in FY2020 and average 10% per annum

# Relevant market themes:

1 2 4 5

Relevant risks and

uncertainties:





Institute of Imagination.

# **STRATEGIC PRIORITY #4: DELIVER EXCELLENT** RETURNS

Description

Maintaining the balance of longer-term PPP projects shorter-term trading activity the investment portfolio means we can generate the property cycle.

Our specialist platforms help us to generate additional revenue streams through off-balance sheet activity. Funded by largethey allow us to deliver more projects, using the same resources.

### Context

Average global allocations and are set to grow as the sector provides higher classes (JLL, 2019). Businesses with a of long-term growth trends, are likely to be the greatest beneficiaries.

Progress against KPIs and FY2019 highlights

total return against 12% average per annum target (FY2018: 12.2%)

£360.1m

basic NAV (FY2018: £379.3 million)

£6.3m

profit before tax (FY2018: £48.2 million)

Future objectives and

- targets

   Consistently monitor capital allocation to PPP, trading and
- Continue to de-risk development process through forward sales and forward funding to build pipeline of through cycle projects, supporting long-term capital efficiency
- Secure capital partner(s) to fund up to three of our major regeneration

Relevant market themes:



Relevant risks and uncertainties:





# **STRATEGIC PRIORITY #5: MAINTAIN CAPITAL DISCIPLINE AND EFFICIENCY**

Description

By actively managing an efficient balance sheet with appropriate gearing and a sizeable cash buffer, we mitigate against development exposure and

Where we have excess capital on our balance sheet, we use our strong cash flows to reinvest, pay-down debt or return capital to shareholders, to align them with our success. We have a clear policy for ordinary dividends and supplemental dividends, paid out every year since U+I was formed.

Context

1.2% economic growth forecast in 2019 (BCC, 2019), reflecting Brexitpolitical uncertainty and a less benign global environment. Prudent efficient balance sheets and manage their capital, will be best placed to mitigate against adverse external risks.

Progress against KPIs and FY2019 highlights

gearing against 40-50% on balance sheet target (FY2018: 31.4%)

10.0p

total dividend (FY2018: 17.9p), including 4.1p supplemental dividend

reduction in annualised net recurring overheads

Future objectives and targets

- through co-ordinated programme, including capitalisation of a total of £2.5 million of net overhead and securing £3.0 million in Development Management Fees in FY2020
- Disciplined approach to strong balance sheet and ability to reward

Relevant market themes:

Relevant risks and uncertainties:





# KEY PERFORMANCE **NDICATORS**

Strategic KPIs
The following Key
Performance Indicators (KPIs) are used by the Board to measure the success of the Group's performance against its strategic priorities.

In our 2018 Annual Report and Accounts we added 'people first' to our strategy. This reflects the importance of our partners and employees to our business and aligns with our clear purpose of delivering socio-economic benefits to local communities and sustainable long-term returns to our shareholders.

In 2019 we have gone further, creating a new KPI around employee satisfaction, to ensure we have clear targets across our five core strategic priorities.

# Link to remuneration

The remuneration of our Directors is closely aligned with our financial KPIs

# **DELIVERING AGAINST OUR STRATEGY**

	Strategic priority				
Strategic Key Performance Indicators	PEOPLE FIRST	GROW PIPELINE	DRIVE VALUE	DELIVER EXCELLENT RETURNS	CAPITAL DISCIPLINE AND EFFICIENCY
Employee satisfaction	•	•	•	•	•
Development and trading gains	•	•	•	•	•
Investment gains	•		•	•	•
Total return	0		<b>O</b>	•	•
Gearing		•		•	•

through the Company's Long-Term Incentive Plan (LTIP). The level at which our LTIP vests relies on a consistent level of performance resulting in net asset value (NAV) growth over a number of years.

The Directors' annual bonuses comprise three elements – development and trading gains (30%), NAV growth (30%) and nonfinancial strategic and personal objectives (40%).

More details of Directors' remuneration can be found in the Remuneration Report on page 131.

# **Non-financial KPIs**

As a business we have been considering ways to make ourselves more accountable.

Over the coming year, we will identify three non-financial KPIs which link to our sustainability agenda and tie into our people first approach, a core pillar of our strategy.

We will then start the process to baseline these to ensure they provide the right metrics and targets for us to benchmark our progress against year-on-year, evolving from targets to delivery within 3-5 years.

In the year ahead we will also put in place the requisite processes to record the information, with a view to outlining our non-financial KPIs in FY2020 and reporting our first data in FY2021.

# Employee satisfaction KPI: N/A in FY2019



KPI figure delivered in period: 88% of employees agreed that they were 'satisfied with U+I as a place to work'. As this was the first year we have undertaken this all staff survey, there was no target but going forward it will be >90% employee satisfaction.

Status: more work to do

# How we measure it

Bi-annual employee survey asking staff to rate their satisfaction with U+I as a place to work.

# Why it's important to U+I

Our people are the heartbeat of U+I and we are passionate about ensuring we nurture what we have so we can retain the best talent, whilst continuing to attract a diverse workforce. By creating a culture and environment where our staff can flourish - working on exciting projects, where they can learn, challenge and keep pushing for excellence - we can set our company and our projects apart.

# Objectives for FY2020

We are reviewing and responding to comments from our FY2019 survey to help us to achieve our target of >90% employee satisfaction.

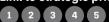
# Link to remuneration

Yes

# Link to strategic priority







# Link to market themes

- Urbanisation
- War for talent
- Wellbeing and sustainability
- Future proofing

# Link to principal risks and uncertainties

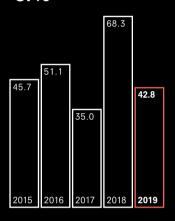






Development and trading gains KPI: average £50 million per annum

£42.8m



KPI figure delivered in period: £42.8 million development and trading

Status: more work to do

# How we measure it

Development and trading gains are achieved as we sell land and assets, where we have added value through improved planning or asset management. As such they are a key measure of the Group's progress.

# Why it's important to U+I

Development and trading represents the largest part of our business and delivery of our targets is validation of our business approach. For this reason achieving our targets represents 30% of our Directors' annual bonus.

Objectives for FY2020 £35–45 million development and trading gains

# Link to remuneration Yes

# Link to strategic priority









# Link to market themes

- Urbanisation
- War for talent
- Political and regulatory uncertainty
- Wellbeing and sustainability
- Future proofing

# Link to principal risks and uncertainties





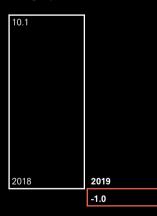






# Investment gains KPI: average 10% per annum

-110%



KPI figure delivered in period: -1% investment portfolio total return

Status: more work to do

# How we measure it

Investment portfolio total return includes the capital growth and income growth realised during the financial year across our investment assets.

# Why it's important to U+I

The investment portfolio balances our business, mitigating risk, whilst supporting our overhead costs. It is a key driver of NAV growth, which supports delivery of our total return target.

Delivery of 10% total return in our investment portfolio in current markets will be challenging but we remain committed to our target.

# Objectives for FY2020

10% total return

# Link to remuneration Yes







# Link to market themes

- Urbanisation
- War for talent Wellbeing and sustainability
- Future proofing

# Link to principal risks and uncertainties



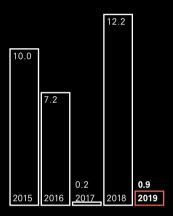




# **KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS** CONTINUED

Total return KPI: average 12% post tax total return per annum

0.9%



KPI figure delivered in period: 0.9% post tax total return

Status: more work to do

# How we measure it

Total return, represents the growth in our basic net asset value (NAV) including dividends.

Why it's important to U+I
Total return is the most direct way of measuring returns to shareholders during the year as it records NAV growth, including dividends. Delivery of our NAV target represents 30% of our Directors' bonus.

12% post tax total return is a long-term target but, in light of current markets, this is unlikely to be achieved in FY2020.

# **Objectives for FY2020**

12% post tax total return

# Link to remuneration Yes

# Link to strategic priority







# Link to market themes

- Urbanisation
- War for talentPolitical and regulatory uncertainty
- Wellbeing and sustainability
- Future proofing

# Link to principal risks and uncertainties







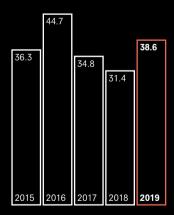




Gearing KPI: 40-50% gearing on balance sheet and 50–60% including our share of joint venture debt

38.6%

+23%



KPI figure delivered in period: 38.6% gearing

Status: achieved

# How we measure it

The Group seeks to maintain a conservative level of gearing appropriate to the size of the balance sheet. At times it may increase as a result of an increased level of construction debt against specific assets.

# Why it's important to U+I

Maintaining the most efficient gearing range for the business means we can maintain a low-risk financial structure and protect shareholder value throughout the property and economic cycles.

# Objectives for FY2020

40–50% gearing on balance sheet and 50–60% including our share of joint venture debt

# Link to remuneration

# Link to strategic priority





# Link to market themes

- Urbanisation
- Future proofing

# Link to principal risks and uncertainties









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ITS ABOUT

# Why do we think it is important to engage with key stakeholders?

Our stakeholders are at the heart of everything we do and they ensure we deliver on our purpose and are socially responsible. To be truly successful and unlock genuine long-term value through regeneration, we need to ask questions, listen, discuss, share knowledge and experiences, and find solutions that work for all our stakeholders, both now and for the future.

# Regular engagement allows us to ensure our purpose stays relevant

Like our stakeholders, we never stand still. Constantly curious, we need to challenge ourselves and be challenged so we can understand changing needs and agendas and adapt to anticipate or meet them. It is only through listening and getting that diversity of thinking that we can learn and do better, as we focus on creating long-term socio-economic benefits for the communities in which we work and sustainable returns for our shareholders.



OUR STAKEHOLDERS	HOW WE ENGAGE WITH THEM	WHAT IS THEIR POTENTIAL IMPACT ON OUR BUSINESS	THE QUESTIONS WE ASK THEM		
OUR	Frequency: ongoing Channel: monthly all staff	High	Q: Are you satisfied with U+I as a place to work, its support network, delivery of its purpose and opportunities available?		
PEOPLE	meetings, feedback box, intranet, weekly internal email, NED lunches with employees, bi-annual reviews with feedback to managers, learning circles with Executives, employee surveys and group workshops to identify problems, learn from others and improve processes.		Q: What can we do better as a company – what feedback do you have for our Executives?		
			Q: What are your development needs; how can we increase your job satisfaction?		
			Q: How can we improve processes to support more efficient working?		
			Q: How can we resource projects smartly to match skillsets, empower talent and give accountability?		
			Q: How can we work together more effectively and share learnings/knowledge?		
OUR INVESTORS	Frequency: ongoing/ad hoc Channel: investor meetings,	High	Q: What are your views on our financial results and significant news?		
INVESTORS	regular communication around newsflow, results roadshows, private wealth managers roundtable lunch, site visits, direct Board engagement, new website.		Q: Do you have any concerns about our strategy?		
			Q: Are you happy with our dividend approach?		
			Q: Do you have any areas of concern ahead of the AGM?		
COMMUNITIES	Frequency: ongoing/ad hoc  Channel: corporate benchmark research,	High	Q: Are you happy with the quality and visibility of U+I's community engagement?		
	consultations and regular conversations with communities and tenants to discuss individual projects, Worthwhile Use programmes, support for small businesses through co-working space and advice.		<b>Q:</b> What are your views on our Worthwhile Use approach and activities?		
			Q: What are your needs and aspirations from our schemes (asked at consultations)?		
			Q: Are we accessible and how are we at connecting with a broad range of people in communities?		
OUR PARTNERS	Frequency: ongoing, project specific	High	Q: Are you happy with your relationship with U+I and how do you feel about the company?		
	Channel: corporate benchmark research with 75 in-depth phone interviews with senior executives in the		Q: How do you rank U+I's positioning in the market?		
	public and private sector in our three geographies; six-month national		Q: What are your views on future risks and opportunities?		
	consultation on PPP, including round table events across the UK.		Q: What is your perception of our PPP positioning and how might we improve?		

# **OUR RESPONSE**

- A: We ran an online employee engagement survey to underline areas of improvement for the business; these will be bi-annual going forward to track our progress
- A: Staff lunches with the Board to raise questions and concerns; appointed a new NED as conduit between our Board and employees to encourage open feedback
- **A:** Identification and early implementation of a new talent strategy, to strengthen skillsets
- **A:** We installed a new IT framework to simplify finance and delivery systems, improving productivity
- A: We are giving teams greater responsibility and accountability on projects to strengthen and broaden the depth of talent and refocus the Executives' time
- A: 'Don't be dull' monthly sessions bringing internal teams and external experts together to share ideas and learnings
- A: We constantly review our strategy, approach, market and projects to mitigate risk and ensure we can deliver on our promises to our shareholders
- A: We have created a new investor website to give greater clarity around U+I, our market, business model and approach
- A: We review our dividend policy and approach annually
- A: Our Chairman, Board and Executives meet and speak to shareholders regularly and listen to their opinions
- A: We run extensive public consultations to discuss the needs of different local stakeholders (including most recently Landmark Court, 8 Albert Embankment, Mayfield), and to increase the visibility of our activities
- A: Worthwhile Use at Mayfield and 8 Albert Embankment and events at schemes such as Bromley and Landmark Court have increased local engagement and support
- A: Investment into Plus X innovation hubs (such as at Preston Barracks) to support growth of start-up businesses, encourage technological advances and create jobs
- A: We regularly meet with a range of local stakeholders to understand different perspectives, concerns and opportunities that we can address in our schemes
- A: We continue to reinforce the credibility of the brand through delivery of projects and, in turn, our numbers
- **A:** We demonstrate thought leadership and brand value through research, events, our Worthwhile Use campaign and publications such as Matter
- **A:** We work intimately with our partners from the outset of every project so we can challenge each other to do better and find solutions that will benefit everyone
- A: We have created a number of pledges to hold ourselves to account and ensure we meet expected standards across our PPP projects



EMPLOYEE SURVEY
88% of employees felt their
manager made decisions in
line with U+I's core values.

**STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT** 

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HOW WE ENGAGED IN FY2019 Creating a new Dance Space for arts charity South East Dance has been integral to our Circus Street scheme in Brighton as their new home will help nurture talent, whilst being a focal point to entertain the local community, with c.17,000 people expected through the doors each year. With this in mind, we have worked closely with South East Dance, to design a space that will suit their needs and support their vision to help make lives better through dance.

Case study
South East Dance and
Hofesh Shechter Company
will be looking to further roll
out their flagship Mind the Gap mentoring programme at The Dance Space, when it opens its doors in early 2020, to support outstanding dance graduates from the south east of England.

THE DANCE SPACE **WILL SOON BE THRIVING HOME TO DANCE AND** DEMONSTRATION OF THE EXCELLENT **WORK THAT IS ALREADY TAKING** PLACE.

# **Hofesh Shechter**

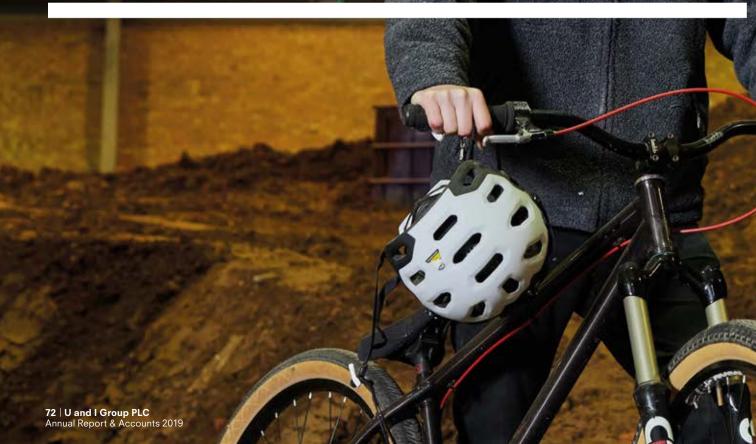
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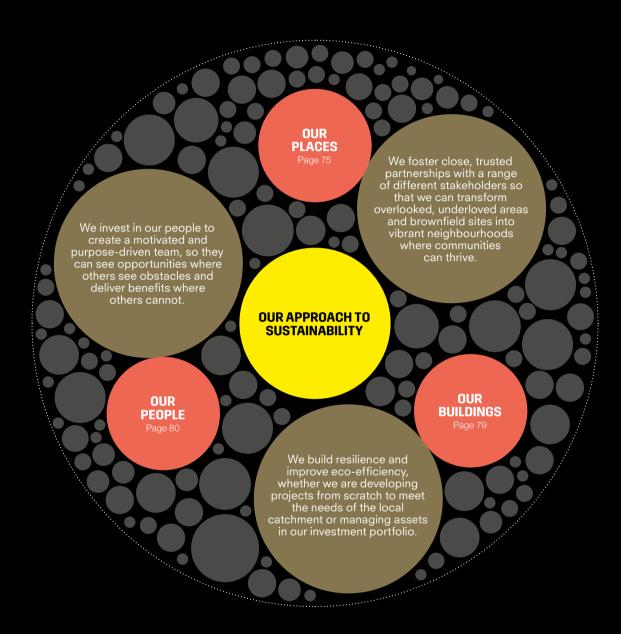
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# **SUSTAINABILITY REVIEW**



# Our vision for sustainability

With a focus on complex, mixed-use regeneration, our vision is to unlock value across our development, trading and investment projects so we can deliver lasting social and economic benefits for all our stakeholders, including the people who live, work and spend time in our places.

Our business model is designed to deliver genuine, long-term social and environmental benefits and our sustainability strategy supports this goal.

We principally create sustainable value in three ways, as shown in the diagram on page 74.

- Our places
- Our buildings
- Our people

The success of our approach is evident in the projects that we have delivered, the communities that we have helped to flourish and the opportunities we have created for new businesses to prosper. All of this is delivered by our committed and talented employees.

### **OUR PLACES**

FY2019 highlights

new spaces created for start-up businesses and **SMEs** 

Considerate Contractor score for Circus Street in Brighton and 40 for 399 Edgware Road

Excellent achieved at Future Works, Slouah

target procurement spend with local suppliers at each development

# Communities

We see regeneration as a catalyst for sustainable growth. We build on the unique heritage and identity of each site to deliver inspiring places that boost economic growth, foster wellbeing and create thriving communities.

Listening to those around us is integral to the success of our developments. We involve communities from the start, developing direct and transparent channels of communication, opening up our sites and inviting people in. This ensures we leave places better than when we found them.



Our broader plans for Landmark Court will

transform the current

buildings and car park into a

dynamic cultural and social

scheme will offer 35 new

of offices, retail and self-

By working with local

enhance the lives of

for SMEs.

residents.

hub. The new commercial-led

homes, around 180,000 sq.ft.

contained work spaces that

communities and partners,

legacy, delivering positive

benefits that generate value

for all our stakeholders and

we can create a unique

will provide shared amenities

We have used this collaborative approach at our 1.7-acre, mixed-use development at Landmark Court in Central London. Widely considered too complex, the site has lain derelict for over two decades. We held regular meetings throughout the planning process with key stakeholders, including interest groups, local residents and Bankside Open Space Trust (BOST), to build trust, engage local communities and create a scheme that benefits everyone. Working closely with Friends of Crossbones. we have also created a shared vision for the Crossbones memorial garden, preserving the burial ground and respecting its rich history, which dates back to the 1800s.

# LISTENING TO THOSE AROUND US **INTEGRAL TO THE** SUCCESS OF OUR **DEVELOPMENTS.**

# **8 ALBERT EMBANKMENT**

# **LONDON CITY REGION**

290 people attended three consultation sessions

Shortlisted for the 'Community Engagement in the Planning Process' London Planning Award in January 2019

Shortlisted for the 'Best Use of Publicly Owned Land and/ or Property in Placemaking' in the London Planning Awards in March 2019

Free rent in The Workshop for local start-up businesses and artists

# Unlocking value through creativity, collaboration and vision

As the former headquarters of the London Fire Brigade and home to Lambeth Fire Station, 8 Albert Embankment has served the local community since the early 1930s. Through our partnership with the site's owner – the London Fire Commissioner (LFC) – we are using our creative vision to transform this building and the surrounding area into a thriving mixed-use community.

Our agreement with the LFC includes a promise to design and deliver a new home for the London Fire Brigade Museum – a one-of-a kind educational centre sitting alongside the working fire station (that remains the centrepiece of this project). The new museum is an interactive space designed to ensure that the history of London fire-fighting, from the Great Fire to the modern period, inspires generations to come.

Throughout the planning process we have worked closely with the local community and Lambeth Council to develop a shared vision for the project. We held three consultations to strengthen our relationship with the neighbouring community and invite feedback on our proposed designs. Just under 300 people attended and our proposals remain on public display, as well as on a dedicated website, underlining our commitment to transparency.

Our Worthwhile Use events space – The Workshop – opened in 2016, providing free space for the community, including locally-based start-up enterprises and artists. It is currently home to 12 tenants including the London Fire Brigade pop-up museum, Migration Museum and the Institute of Imagination. We have welcomed over 48,000 visitors since opening.

In short, our expertise in PPP regeneration projects has allowed us to create a shared vision for 8 Albert Embankment that places collaboration and creativity at its heart.





More information about the scheme online: www.uandiplc.com/our-places/8-albert-embankment

Read more about Brighton & Hove Wood Recycling Project at www.woodrecycling.org.uk

# **Environment**

We transform overlooked sites into vibrant mixed-use neighbourhoods. Working with forward-thinking partners, we inject energy and creativity into every project to deliver environmental, economic and social benefits.

We adopt a practical approach to our schemes, guided by the National Planning Policy Framework and our specific ambitions for each individual project are shaped by engagement with local partners. We make a point of seeking out green building certifications, incorporating features that enhance the public realm and integrating solutions that reduce the impact of construction works and building use, such as waste avoidance and energy efficiency.

At Circus Street in Brighton, for example, the construction and development team diverted nearly 35 tonnes of wood waste for reuse or recycling. Brighton & Hove Wood Recycling Project, a not-for-profit social enterprise, used the wood in local DIY projects and passed on the savings in resources and carbon emissions. This collaboration also provided training and work experience for local people.

Looking ahead, we intend to formalise sustainable design principles in all our development projects by setting minimum standards for green building certifications, with an emphasis on the efficient use of resources.

Environmental features bring wider benefits too, that align with our core focus of enhancing people's lives through regeneration. To that end, we strive to promote the health and wellbeing of the communities where we work by improving the public realm, creating green spaces and providing integrated transport solutions such as bike schemes. Later this year, for example, we will submit planning for a 6.5 acre park at Mayfield, Manchester - the first purpose-built public park in the city for over a century.

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# WE INTEND TO FORMALISE SUSTAINABLE DESIGN PRINCIPLES IN ALL OUR DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

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Our efforts are not just confined to the work that we do: we also seek to extend the economic and social benefits of our regeneration activities through our supply chain. We prioritise local suppliers within a 25-mile radius of our core regions to reduce procurement risk, support local businesses and boost local employment. At Circus Street, for instance, we are using locally sourced bricks and cement to support supplier jobs in the area and ensure our final scheme has a homegrown look and feel.

This holistic approach helps us to capture the unique characteristics and opportunities of each site, improving the value we deliver and reinforcing our trusted reputation with existing and potential partners.

# **SUSTAINABILITY REVIEW**

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# **HARWELL**

# **LONDON CITY REGION**

BREEAM Very Good achieved at Quad 1 development

On-site gym and wellness events for workers

# A broader approach to value creation

Set across 710 acres of Oxfordshire countryside, Harwell is an internationally recognised science and technology campus and a hub of research and activity. More than 6,000 people work at over 225 world-leading organisations focusing on delivering innovation across the worlds of science and technology.

Over the past five years, we have been working in partnership with the Science and Technology Facilities Council and the UK Atomic Energy Authority to develop state-of-the-art facilities that further enhance Harwell's reputation.

But our ambitions for the site stretch far wider. We want to create a thriving community, with strong environmental credentials and an emphasis on health, wellbeing and education.

In that spirit, our landscape and maintenance strategy protects existing green spaces and supports biodiversity. Any trees that are removed, for example, are refashioned into benches and new saplings planted.

We have also worked hard to promote wellbeing, taking the lead in organising events that bring people together, encourage collaboration and promote healthy lifestyles. A recently opened gym is available to on-site employees, supplemented by regular wellness sessions. We have fostered sustainable travel plans that promote cycling, through incentives such as breakfasts and free bike maintenance sessions. A summer party in 2018 brought more than 1,000 people together to network and relax.

Our on-site management team has also worked with tenants to promote some of the exciting and groundbreaking work being undertaken at Harwell. We have sponsored initiatives such as the ATOM Science Festival in nearby Abingdon to promote Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) amongst the local community, especially young people. The 2018 Harwell Fun Day, held to engage students, children and families in STEMrelated activities, attracted over 2,000 visitors.

Our approach at Harwell demonstrates what can be achieved through genuine creativity and vision. By taking a holistic view of the project and looking beyond the physical infrastructure, to the way people work and interact, we have been able to deliver value that far exceeds the original scope.

### **OUR BUILDINGS**

# FY2019 highlights

# **12%**

reduction in GHG emissions (Scope 1 and 2) across our investment portfolio

# **27**%

reduction in like-for-like energy consumption across our investment portfolio

Our investment portfolio is made up of assets that we have acquired or developed, where we see long-term potential. These tend to be assets in towns and cities where the offering is wellsuited to the local catchment and where we can add value through asset management initiatives or change of use. Unlike our development portfolio, options to improve the environmental performance of our investment portfolio are limited as the buildings generally predate our involvement.

We nonetheless monitor energy use and focus on improvements to energy efficiency as part of our broader objectives to mitigate risk, sustain asset values, reduce operating costs, and attract and retain tenants. Much of this investment is directed towards our goal of only holding assets rated EPC 'C' or above.

We work with property managers and tenants across our portfolio to target practical improvements, given each asset's needs, age and annual investment budgets. These range from energy efficiency initiatives, such as the roll-out of LED lighting to new technology, such as smart meters, to facilitate the collection of more accurate energy consumption data.

We aim to achieve continuous reductions in energy use and greenhouse gas emissions across our portfolio, and we will take further steps towards this goal by using baseline performance data to set long-term targets.

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# WE AIM TO ACHIEVE CONTINUOUS REDUCTIONS IN ENERGY USE AND GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS ACROSS OUR PORTFOLIO.

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We report our portfolio's energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions in line with EPRA's Sustainability Best Practice Recommendations (sBPR). The sBPR provide an industrystandard framework for reporting on the environmental impact of property, allowing our performance to be measured and monitored against our peers. Tables detailing our performance can be found on our website at: www.uandiplc.com/who-weare/sustainability

# SUSTAINABILITY REVIEW

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### **OUR PEOPLE**

# FY2019 highlights

of employees benefit from subsidised gym membership

of employees enrolled in private medical insurance

work experience placements offered to students

# 30.000

raised for Shelter, our charity partner and >300 hours volunteered

of staff have had opportunities to learn and grow at work in the first three months of 2019



new Non-executive Director to increase employee engagement

Our success relies on our people: their ingenuity, their creativity and their commitment. We cultivate a sense of belonging to nurture an inclusive culture and retain key talent.

We want our people to develop and flourish. We listen to them, we develop strong channels of communication through our employee engagement survey and we invest in their personal learning and development to help them achieve their best.

As part of our commitment to our people, in the financial period we designed and implemented a psychometric questionnaire to inform our future development strategies and revised performance management process. We selected six behaviours that align with our brand values of imagination. intelligence and audacity creativity, curiosity, emotional intelligence, grit, adaptability and communication - that would help our team to excel in their positions.

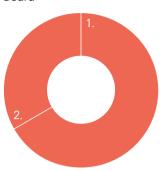
In the year ahead, we will continue to roll out our talent strategy, introducing technical assessments, enabling our staff to build on the skills within our existing teams and support overall career progression. Our talent strategy reaches everyone in the organisation, including our CEO and other Executives, to support our culture of inclusion that will help us to deliver the best regeneration schemes that we can.

As part of our people first approach, in April 2019 we appointed a new independent Non-executive Director, Professor Sadie Morgan, to oversee the establishment of a workforce advisory panel, providing a point of communication and connection between our employees and the Board. We also undertook a Company-wide employee engagement survey to understand areas of improvement for the business to sustain an energetic and fun working environment as the business matures.

Attracting people from a diverse range of backgrounds is a priority for us and our industry. By offering work experience placements we look to inspire a future generation to pursue careers in property. Over the past year we have welcomed four students from a variety of backgrounds through our doors. Two of the students were selected from a local

# **Employee gender diversity**

# Board



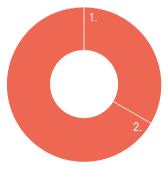
1. Male: 6 2. Female: 3

# Senior management (excluding Board)



1. Male: 20 2. Female: 4

# Remaining team



1. Male: 23 2. Female: 46

school near our community developments Deptford Market Yard and Hammersmith Grove. We also hosted an intern as part of our partnership with the Reading Real Estate Foundation that promotes opportunities within the property sector for students from diverse backgrounds.

Our continued charity partnership with Shelter raised over £30,000 in the financial period, including a contribution from U+I, supported by the Matching Charity Giving Policy. We offer two days leave a year to volunteer, leading to over 300 hours volunteering in the period. As part of this policy, four members of staff were also supported to work in a refugee camp in Lesvos, Greece, helping Movement on the Ground's permanent on-site teams with operational activities, to assist with the day to day running of the camp.

# **ATTRACTING** PEOPLE FROM A DIVERSE RANGE OF BACKGROUNDS IS **PRIORITY FOR US** AND OUR INDUSTRY.

By motivating our people, furthering their careers, promoting diversity and encouraging volunteering, we strive to create connections, foster engagement and reinforce our reputation as a rewarding place to work that supports and brings out the best in our people.



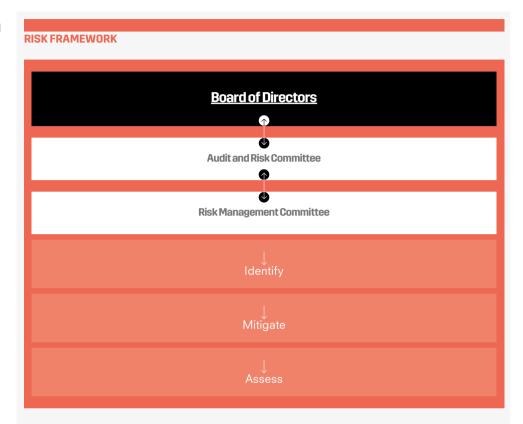
# PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

# Risk review

Our business model is shaped by the risks the Directors consider significant to our strategy, size and capabilities.

# Risk management structure

The Group's risk profile is maintained under continual review by its Audit and Risk Committee and by the Board. In addition, the Group has a Risk Management Committee, which oversees the Group's risk register and risk control processes on behalf of the Audit and Risk Committee. The Risk Management Committee is comprised of senior employees from across the Group, covering all areas of the Group's operations.



Principal risks and uncertainties	PEOPLE FIRST	GROW PIPELINE	DRIVE VALUE	DELIVER EXCELLENT RETURNS	CAPITAL DISCIPLINE AND EFFICIENCY
Market risk	0	0	0	0	0
Scarcity of viable investment and development opportunities	0	0	0	0	
Counterparty risk	0	0	0	0	0
Bank funding risk		0	0	0	0
Construction risk		0	0	0	0
Planning risk		0	0	0	

# **MAPPING OUR RISKS**

The Group categorises risks according to the likelihood of occurrence and the potential impact on the Group.

The Directors consider the following to be the principal risks and uncertainties facing the Group.

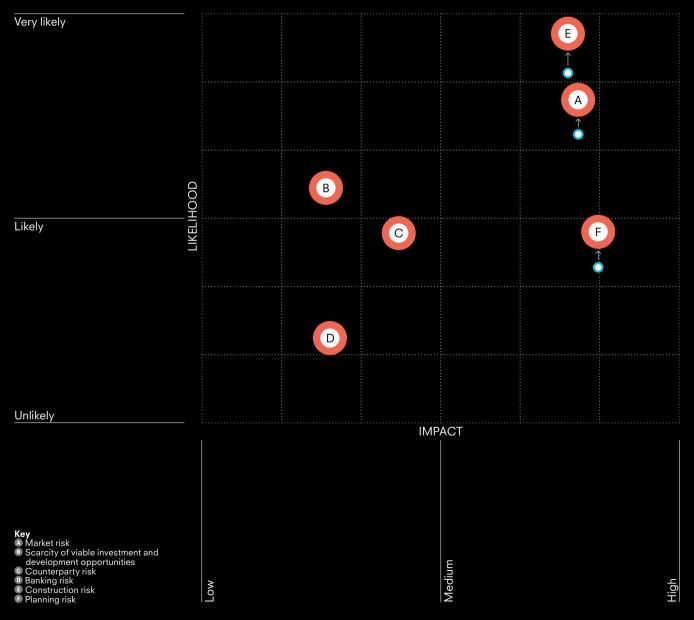
These risks have been

- rouped as either:

   External risks whose occurrence is beyond the control of the Group.

   Business risks which the Directors chose to
- manage as part of the Group's operations.

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### **OUR OPERATIONAL KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

# **BUSINESS RISK**

# A. Market risk

The real estate market is directly linked to the health of the local and national economies. Lack of economic growth, recessionary conditions or economic uncertainty can translate into the negative sentiment towards, and performance of, real estate.

# B. Scarcity of viable investment and development opportunities

The Group's business is predominantly transactional and requires a flow of PPP, trading and investment opportunities to generate consistent returns. The risk is that the flow of suitably priced opportunities either reduces or stops.

# C. Counterparty risk

Transaction counterparties, be they joint venture partners, purchasers under sale contracts or banks in respect of cash deposits or derivative arrangements, may suffer or fail financially.

# D. Bank funding risk

The pressure on a large number of traditional real estate lending banks to reduce their exposure to real estate reduces the capacity and liquidity within the lending market and can impact upon the availability of debt to deliver business plans.

# **IMPACT**

- Lack of liquidity in market may delay the ability to realise planned disposals leading to significantly reduced cash inflows.
- Higher occupier risk, leading to significantly reduced values.
- Lack of occupier demand, resulting in inability to realise gains.
- Inability to source new deals leads to decline in development and trading profits in future years.
- Higher pricing of acquisition opportunities leads to reduced ability to add value.
- Failure of sales transaction counterparties may lead to an inability to produce trading profits.
- Failure of financial counterparties may impact effectiveness of hedging or recoverability of deposits.
- Inability to secure funding for new opportunities.
- Inability to refinance existing facilities, leading to disposals at the wrong time in business plans and failure to maximise profits.
- Unpredictability of cash flows.

# **MITIGATION**

- Risk-averse property
   development strategy,
   whereby projects are prefunded, pre-let, or pre-sold
   where appropriate.
- Long maturities of debt finance facilities.
- Moderate level of gearing.
- Regular meetings with economic forecasters to gauge economic trends.
- Flexible approach to market opportunities, seeking out sectors where value can be generated and seeking funding partners with different return requirements.
- Stringent deal underwriting procedures with minimum return hurdles.
- Maintaining broad industry contacts for acquisitions rather than being dependent on a single source of opportunity.
- Use of PPP model to secure regeneration opportunities in an innovative way.
- Proof of funding required prior to agreeing sales contracts.
- The Board regularly assesses the creditworthiness of financial counterparties prior to placing deposits and hedging transactions.
- Substantial deposits are required for pre-sold residential developments prior to commencing construction.
- The Group maintains relationships with a wide range of both bank and non-bank lenders, reducing over-reliance on any one partner.
- The Group is constantly seeking to widen its range of funding sources and liaises regularly with new entrants into the real estate lending market.

# RISK EXPOSURE CHANGE YEAR-ON-YEAR



The UK economic fundamentals remain solid. However, continuing political uncertainty as to the timing and nature of Brexit, together with escalating geopolitical risks and continuing trade uncertainties, continue to overshadow the market. The six-month Brexit delay will keep investment and housing decisions on hold.



Opportunities continue to be sourced for development, trading and investment, which satisfy Group underwriting criteria, albeit that the market is running late cycle with yield rents and house prices at historically high levels.



The Group continues to have exposure to the private residential market through the development of pre-sold residential units both on and off-balance sheet. The risk of purchasers failing to complete has not reduced during the year as Bromley reached practical completion.



The lending market continues to see new entrants. Through the year there has been a gradual reduction in lenders' appetite for development risk, particularly on a speculative basis, as the Brexit uncertainly continues and given expected increases in interest rates. Also, a gradual fall in house prices has impacted upon appetite for residential development.

# **BUSINESS RISK**

# E. Construction risk

There is a risk of being unable to secure a viable construction contract, post receipt of planning permission.

Real estate construction is subject to the risk of cost overruns, delay and the financial failure of an appointed contractor.

# **IMPACT**

- Reduced profitability or potential loss on individual projects and/or guarantees being called.
- Construction work ceasing whilst a suitable replacement contractor is found, leading to delays in project completion and a reduction in profit.

# **MITIGATION**

- The Group retains in-house experienced project managers throughout the life of individual projects, to ensure that costs are appropriately budgeted and timetables are adhered to, hence the impact of these risks is minimised.
- The Group performs appropriate pre-contract due diligence on the capabilities and financial security of its material contractors and key sub-contractors.
- The Group continually monitors the financial position of key contractors to anticipate financial difficulties.
- If issues arise with contractors, the Group uses its professional teams and in-house expertise to mitigate the impact.
- The Group requires detailed design and specification throughout the tender process to enable it to maximise the risk transfer to contractors.
- The Group requires that all construction contracts include provisions for liquidated ascertained damages in the case of performance failures by contractors and that contractors provide performance bonds, typically to a level of 10% of the contract sum.
  - The Group retains a team with a strong track record of achieving planning consents and an extensive local knowledge, supplemented by advisors and sector specialist partners, to maximise the chance of success and reduce the risks and costs of failure.
  - An alternative exit strategy is always considered in case of planning failure.
- The Group's PPP model seeks to build partnerships with local statutory and planning authorities as a way of mitigating risk.

# RISK EXPOSURE CHANGE YEAR-ON-YEAR



There continues to be an increase in construction material prices. At the same time, uncertainty over the status of EU nationals working in the UK post any deal between the UK and the EU is leading to construction workforce shortages and increasing labour costs. These are both impacting upon pricing and making the placement of construction contracts more difficult in terms of cost certainty and hence margin.

As a result, contractors are increasing pricing on new tenders so as to build in additional contingencies for the losses they have suffered in the last two to three years.

This can also lead to a lengthening of tender periods and the need for more detailed design before a viable construction contract can be agreed.

There has also been the failure of certain large-scale contractors which has both taken capacity out of the market and lead to other contractors reviewing their business models.

The complexity of our projects requires even greater rigour in delivery.



The ability to obtain clear planning decisions is potentially compromised as key political events, such as elections, approach. Brexit focus has also weakened Central Government involvement in the planning process.

The political landscape and planning decisions are increasingly becoming the battleground on which disagreements over social issues play out. The financial strain on local authorities is also manifesting itself in under-resourcing of planning departments. Taken against a backdrop of ever-increasing complexity in both projects and planning regulations, especially in respect of mixed-use schemes with greater density, there is an urgent need to professionalise planning departments.

# F. Planning risk

Procuring appropriate and valuable planning consents is often a key element of value creation through property development.

Securing planning permission in a changing political and regulatory environment is a complex and uncertain process, with applications subject to objection from a wide range of potential stakeholders, and hence prone to delay, modification and rejection.

 Failure to secure planning consent can either cause delay or render a project unviable/unprofitable and lead to the write-off of considerable costs or reduced profit potential

# **VIABILITY STATEMENT**

# Introduction

U+I's business model is to deliver returns through regeneration, realising profits by successfully transforming undervalued land and assets into new places that deliver social and economic value to a wide range of stakeholders.

The key drivers in delivering the model are as follows:

- Ability to source a regular supply of new business opportunities which can deliver profits in future years.
- Sourcing debt finance to leverage new business opportunities and refinance existing facilities where appropriate.
- Access to a wide range of capital partners to co-invest in larger schemes and forward fund larger speculative developments.
- Successfully delivering new planning permissions.
- A high-yielding investment portfolio generating a sustainable cash yield to support business activities and sustain corporate overheads.
- Maintaining a diversified portfolio of projects so as to reduce property specific risk across the overall portfolio.

# Assessment period

The Group's business planning process consists of a five-year look forward. The rationale for this is that the main driver of success is the generation of development and trading gains from projects, with the exception of two outliers:

- Short-term pure trading; and
- Long-term land strategies.

The majority of projects have a duration of between two and five years from acquisition to exit. Therefore, from any starting point, over a five-year period the vast majority of projects will have moved through to exit. To plan for a period longer than five years would lead to the construction of a purely theoretical model in years 5+, rather than one underpinned by specific existing projects in the initial five-year period.

Therefore, for the purposes of this review, the business has been considered and stress tested over a five-year period.

# Consideration of principal risks

The nature of the Group's business and the industry in which it operates expose it to a variety of risks. The principal risks and uncertainties facing the Group are detailed on pages 82 to 85. The Board regularly reviews the principal risks and assesses the appropriate controls and mitigating actions required to manage the operations of the Group within an appropriate risk environment. The Board has further considered their impact within the context of the Group's viability with particular emphasis on construction and planning risk.

# **Assumptions**

In assessing the long-term viability of the Group, the Board has made the following assumptions:

- Property investment valuations continue to be broadly stable with no prolonged significant downwards movements.
- The Group continues to be able to deliver cash-backed development and trading gains from its existing portfolio of projects sufficient to meet its operational requirements, principally driven by securing new planning permissions.

- The Group continues to be able to source new business opportunities capable of delivering both short-term trading gains and longer-term development gains to replace existing projects as they are exited.
- The Group continues with its policy of having a mixture of long-term debt associated with its long-term investment portfolio and shorter-term stand-alone debt associated with its development and trading projects.
- The Group continues, as it did throughout the previous recession, to be able to source both replacement and new debt facilities as they are required from both existing and new lenders.
- The Group continues with its policy of maintaining a broad range of counterparties, including financial, contractor and purchaser, so as to mitigate the impact of potential counterparty failure.
- The Group continues its policy of de-risking developments by obtaining forward-funding for larger schemes and only carrying out limited on-balance sheet development.
- Construction contracts are entered into on a guaranteed maximum price basis where possible.
- The Group maintains its current conservative gearing strategy.

In addition, the Group's five-year business model was stress-tested to simulate either a deterioration in market conditions, which could be the result of a number of factors, including a disorderly Brexit outcome, or a flexing of these assumptions, as detailed below. In particular, consideration was given to the following:

- Persistent valuation falls of 2.5%, 5.0% and 10.0% per annum for each of the next five years and the resultant impact upon NAV, gearing covenants and cash levels i.e. a fall of 25% in property values.
- Inability to win any new business opportunities over the next five years – hence the only profits that can be generated are from existing schemes.
- Debt facilities were stress-tested to see how much property valuations would need to fall before loan covenants would be breached and how much cash would be required to cure any loan covenant defaults.

### Conclusion

As a result of the work performed above, including the consideration of the key assumptions and the subsequent stress testing, the Board believes that the Group's strategy of maintaining a broad portfolio of development and trading projects, a core investment portfolio and a diverse range of financial and operational counterparties provides the Group with a strong platform on which to continue its business.

The Directors therefore have a reasonable expectation that the Group will be able to continue in operation and meet its liabilities as they fall due over the five-year period to March 2024.

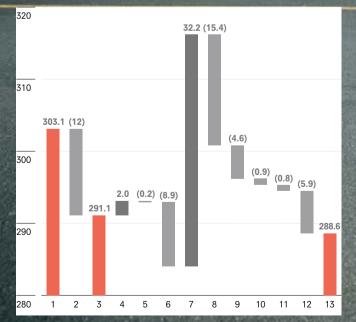
During the year the Group focused on its aim of delivering development and trading gains whilst at the same time continuing to rationalise the number of smaller, inefficient projects it is involved in and restructuring its investment portfolio.

A summary of the Group's financial results is shown below.

	13-month period ended 31 March 2019	Year ended 28 February 2018
Development and trading gains	£42.8m	£68.3m
Basic net asset value (NAV)	£360.1m	£379.3m
Basic NAV per share	289p	303p
Total declared dividends per share	10.0p	17.9p
Profit before tax	£6.3m <sup>1</sup>	£48.2m
Total return	0.9%	12.2%
Balance sheet gearing	38.6%	31.4%

The profit before tax for the 13-month period to 31 March 2019 was £6.3 million (28 February 2018: £48.2 million), after generating development and trading gains of £42.8 million, marginally lower than the range we were guiding for the year.

The movement in net assets for the year is shown in the bridge below.



- NAV February 2018
   Supplemental Dividend 2018
   Adjusted NAV
   Investment portfolio contribution
   Loss on disposal of investment assets 6 Property revaluations
- Development & trading contribution
   Operating costs
   Net interest costs
   Taxation
   Other
   Final 2018 & interim 2019 Dividend
   NAV March 2019



MARCUS SHEPHERD (RIGHT), CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, STRATEGY DAY, DUBLIN

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### **Development and trading gains**

During the year, we realised a total of £42.8 million of net development and trading gains. The key components of these gains are:

- £13.8 million Preston Barracks: disposal of residential accommodation scheme.
- £9.3 million Curzon Park: disposal of site via CPO\*.
- £4.8 million Harwell: construction of two new buildings and disposal of surplus land\*.
- £4.7 million Bryn Blaen: disposal of windfarm.
- £4.0 million Bicester: disposal of site.
- £3.3 million Charlton Riverside: disposal of site\*.
- £1.8 million Circus Street: construction of student accommodation.
- \* These gains represent U+l's share of gains on assets held in joint venture arrangements with significant capital partners

The single largest element of the development and trading gains was at Preston Barracks where the consented residential site in Brighton was sold to Optivo, one of the largest housing providers in the UK and experts in affordable housing. This generated a profit of £13.8 million.

The Group holds 50% of the share capital in a joint venture which previously owned a 10.5-acre site at Curzon Park in Birmingham. During the year, the site was acquired, via compulsory purchase order (CPO), by High Speed Rail Link 2 (HS2). As a result of this disposal, the Group has been able to recognise a joint venture asset and hence recover losses previously recognised when the Group was unsure as to the recoverable amounts associated with the site. The net benefit during the period to the Group as a result of this is £9.3 million.

In addition to the above, approximately £1.1 million of gains were realised from a number of smaller projects as we continued our policy of rationalising the number of projects.

At our retail project in Lichfield we have taken a £3.4 million write off as we were unable to deliver a viable project prior to the longstop date in the PPP agreement; we will not incur any other costs

Development and trading gains can be analysed as follows.

	13-month period ended 31 March 2019 Total £m	Year ended 28 February 2018 £m
Included in segmental analysis:		
Development and trading segment		
result	19.3	48.4
Share of results of joint ventures	17.1	13.0
Sale of investments	3.9	6.8
Other income	_	0.1
Adjustment re legacy corporate loan	2.5	_
	42.8	68.3

### Investment property portfolio

During the period, the Group continued its policy of selectively disposing of non-core assets outside of our key geographies, in particular Killingworth Centre, Newcastle.

We have been cautious about acquisitions, especially in light of uncertainty in the UK property market mainly driven by inactivity and lack of governmental decision making. In spite of this, we have invested £29.2 million (including costs) in three attractive investment opportunities: St Peter's Quarter, Bournemouth, Waterglade Retail Park, Clacton-on-Sea and a Pure Gym unit in Finchley, where we will look to drive double-digit returns through asset management initiatives.

The Group's historic portfolio does still have a retail bias and as such we have suffered an £11.2 million decline in values. Overall, including our share of joint venture assets, we have seen a 4.9% decline in values, as market sentiment outweighed asset fundamentals, especially for retail property outside London and the South East.

### Working capital

The nature of the Group's business involves transactions in real estate, both purchase and disposal, where there is usually a period of up to four weeks between exchange, when the transaction is accounted for, and completion when the associated cash flows.

As a result, depending on the purchase and disposal activity around the period end, there are large differences between the level of receivables and payables from one Balance Sheet to the next. For example, as at 31 March 2019, there were receivables of £23.2 million relating to asset disposals immediately prior to the period end compared to £84.8 million as at 28 February 2018. This highlights the significant movement from one period to the next for receivables.

### **Overheads**

The overheads during the period comprised.

	13-month period ended 31 March 2019 £m	Year ended 28 February 2018 £m
Group overheads	21.9	24.2
LTIP charge (net)	-	(1.8)
	21.9	22.4
Income from specialist platforms	(2.5)	(2.1)
Net recurring overheads	19.4	20.3
Annualised net recurring overheads	17.8	20.3

We remain rigorously focused on maintaining capital discipline and a strong balance sheet. We have put in place an efficiencies programme to ensure that we continue to manage our recurring overheads as effectively as possible, whilst identifying further opportunities for efficiencies, both this financial period and in the longer-term. This is being led by a Chief Operating Officer who was appointed in January 2018 on an interim basis to undertake a review of all areas of the business and identify and implement cost savings. Annualised net recurring overheads in the financial period were £17.8 million (2018: £20.3 million).

Currently we employ certain specialist development related expertise internally, such as project management and marketing, rather than using external specialists. We do this as it gives us more immediate control over certain aspects of our projects. Historically we viewed this as a central cost/overhead expense. In order to more closely align ourselves with and be more comparable to our peer group, we are now adopting the industry-wide practice of capitalising that expenditure where appropriate, rather than treating it as a corporate overhead. This has led to capitalisation of £2.5 million of staff costs in FY2019. This is expected to be at a similar level in future years.

We have also invested in launching and building a market leading brand, which has helped us to win projects like CNFE. Maintaining the U+I brand is essential to our continued success but we believe we can now reduce our corporate marketing spend, whilst continuing to maintain its awareness and understanding.

To further increase efficiencies, over the financial period, we have undertaken an internal review of each project, which has led to us realigning teams and improving some of our processes so we now believe we have the right team size, structure and skillset, relevant to the scale, value and stage of each project, whilst being more efficient in our day to day delivery. As we conclude our existing smaller and legacy projects and continue to shift to fewer, larger projects, productivity will increase and support more efficient delivery, whilst generating higher returns as we turn these projects from vision to reality. Furthermore, as we move into the delivery phase of our pipeline, we will increase the opportunity to earn additional Development Management Fees to offset our overhead. Fees generated in FY2019 were £2.5 million, a figure which we expect to increase annually over the next five years, with £3.0 million targeted in FY2020.

### Net finance costs

Net finance costs for the 13-month period of £5.8 million (2018: £9.7 million) include a foreign exchange gain of £0.2 million (2018: £1.4 million deficit) in respect of the retranslation of Euro-denominated loans and deposits.

For entities where the reporting currency is in Euros, retranslation differences are charged to reserves. The movement for 2019 was a gain of £0.2 million (2018: £0.3 million gain). The net impact of these movements on NAV during the year was a £0.4 million gain (2018: £1.1 million loss).

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### **GROUP'S BANK FACILITIES**

We use debt finance to leverage the use of our equity in property transactions. We continue to borrow from a wide range of financial institutions, including UK clearing banks, insurance company-backed lenders, debt funds and financial institutions. The availability of debt finance has not impacted our ability to transact new property deals.

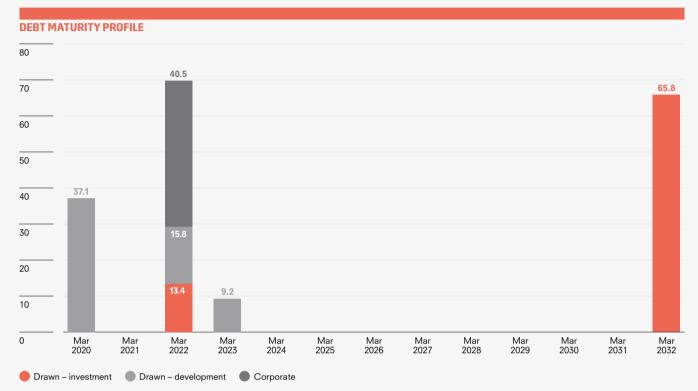
Details of our debt facilities are shown in the table below:

							Principal financ	cial highlights
Facility type	Notes	Total facility	Utilised as at 31 March 2019 £'000	Interest rate	Maturity	Loan to value ratio	Interest <sup>1</sup> cover ratio	Minimum <sup>1</sup> net worth £'000
Loans financing longer-terr	n assets							
Term loan	3	£10,580	10,580	Variable	10-Jan-20	73%	160%	_
Loan notes	2	€47,000	~40,448	Сар	24-Apr-21	_	_	_
Term Ioan		£19,710	13,410	Variable	25-Mar-22	50%	175%	_
Term Ioan		£66,667	65,831	Fixed	5-Dec-32	75%	125%	_
Loans financing developme	ent and tradi	ng assets						
Term Ioan	3	£44,100	45,276	Fixed	31-Mar-19	_	_	_
Term Ioan	3, 4	£26,000	28,432	Variable	30-Jun-19	60%	125%	100,000
Term Ioan	3	£4,900	4,900	Fixed	16-Nov-19	_	_	_
Term Ioan	3	€22,045	~18,292	Fixed	18-Nov-19	_	_	_
Term Ioan	3	€20,125	~11,928	Fixed	06-Jan-20	_	_	_
Term Ioan	4	£9,500	10,415	Variable	31-Jan-20	_	_	_
Term Ioan	4	£26,000	26,652	Fixed	31-Jan-20	_	_	_
Term Ioan	3	£31,000	15,881	Variable	24-Oct-21	_	_	_
Term Ioan	3	£5,610	5,330	Cap	31-Mar-21	60%	175%	_
Term Ioan	3	€14,000	~12,048	Variable	08-Aug-21	_	_	_
Term Ioan		£16,800	15,800	Fixed	15-Jan-22	_	_	_
Term Ioan		€8,515	~7,328	Fixed	13-Dec-22	75%	_	200,000
Term Ioan	3	£16,674	3,500	Variable	31-Dec-22	_	120%	_
Term Ioan		€2,180	~1,876	Fixed	28-Mar-23	75%	_	200,000
Term loan	3	£24,113	22,410	Variable	31-Dec-22	_	_	-
Term loan	3	£110,000	65,000	SWAP	16-Feb-26	65%	150%	

Interest cover ratios are specific to the loan and the relevant property. Minimum net worth refers to the net asset value of the Group per its latest Balance Sheet

<sup>(31</sup> March or 30 September)
These unsecured, variable rate loan notes are denominated in Euros, with a nominal value of €47 million. An interest rate cap is in place to limit the Group's exposure to movements in the EURIBOR rate.

Loans relating to joint ventures represent the total loan facility and not the Group's share This facility has the provision to allow interest to be rolled into the loan Represents the amount of the Group's liability in Sterling as at the balance sheet date



The graph above shows the maturity profile of the Group's debt and the analysis between investment, development and corporate facilities.

During the year, the major changes to our debt portfolio were as follows:

- Refinancing the Barclays loan for a new £19.7 million, three-year facility. This also resulted in the repayment of the Santander loan.
- Draw down of £15.8 million loan to finance the purchase of The Arts Building.
- Two new Irish Ioan facilities secured on two industrial assets in Dublin.
- To enable the build out of the Hendy wind farm, the joint venture entered into a £16.7 million loan facility with Close Brothers.
- The Santander facility financing the development of Harwell was refinanced during the period. The new £110.0 million facility was signed by the joint venture in February 2019.

Our debt policy can be summarised as follows:

- Longer-term fixed rate facilities are used to fund longer-term income-producing assets. Target loan to value (LTV): 60-65%.
- Shorter-term asset-specific debt aligned to the business plan for shorter-term trading assets. Target LTV: 50-55%.
- Medium-term Euro-denominated corporate debt to support our investment into Euro-denominated assets in Dublin.
   No LTV target as this is corporate-level debt.
- The Group has no specific debt on non-income producing assets or investments into PPP schemes.
- Joint venture arrangements are designed to leverage both our operational expertise and our Balance Sheet. When acting with third party capital we deploy asset-specific debt, which is often at a higher LTV (65–75%), reflecting the risk appetite and cost of capital of our partners.

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A summary of the Group's gearing is shown below.

### Group gearing

3	Target	31 March 2019	22 May 2019	28 February 2018
Gearing (excl. share of JVs) Gearing	40–50%	38.6%	39.1%	31.4%
(incl. share of JVs)	50-60%	62.8%	64.3%	50.5%

The greatest fluctuation in gearing occurs where we utilise debt to fund the build-out of pre-sold residential developments on our own Balance Sheet.

Our overall gearing targets therefore act as a limit on the amount of development that we can undertake on our own Balance Sheet.

The Group maintains a mix of variable and fixed rate facilities to provide a degree of certainty whilst also benefiting from historically low interest rates. Longer-term facilities tend to be structured with fixed rates.

		31 March 2019	28 February 2018
Group net debt and			
gearing:			
Gross debt	£m	(179.8)	(171.2)
Cash and cash			
equivalents	£m	40.8	52.1
Net debt	£m	(139.0)	(119.1)
Net assets	£m	360.1	379.3
Gearing	%	38.6	31.4
Weighted average debt			
maturity	years	6.2	7.0
Weighted average			
interest rate	%	4.6	4.7
Including joint			
ventures:			
Share of net debt in joint			
ventures	£m	(87.3)	(72.7)
Gearing	%	62.8	50.5
Weighted average debt			
maturity	years	4.5	5.4
Weighted average			
interest rate	%	5.1	5.2

### Monies held in restrictive account and deposits

As at 31 March 2019 the Group held £8.8 million of restricted cash deposits (28 February 2018: £11.5 million). Restricted cash deposits primarily arise as a result of the operation of certain of the Group's debt facilities where, on disposal of an asset charged to the facility, the lender temporarily retains the sale proceeds as security pending reinvestment. The restricted cash deposits are deemed to be directly attributable to associated debt facility and as such are reported under financing activities in the Group's Consolidated Cash Flow Statement.

### Joint venture arrangements

The Group has a policy of working in joint venture arrangements as a way of:

- Leveraging our equity so we can participate in projects that would otherwise be too large for our Balance Sheet;
- Accessing deals with specialist partners who have secured positions on projects but require further equity and the planning and structuring skills, which are a key part of our business.

During the year, the Group has continued to create considerable value from one of its most important joint ventures:

At Harwell we are partnered with the UKAEA, STFC and Harwell Oxford Partners on the 700-acre Harwell Campus, an internationally renowned science campus. During the period we have successfully completed the letting and development of two buildings and let over 125,000 sq.ft. of space to, amongst others, Oxford Nanopore Technologies and Agilent Technologies. During the period this has generated both £4.8 million of development and trading gains and net investment gains of £1.2 million in respect of the Group's holding.

The Group's joint ventures and associates are analysed in more detail in note 13 on pages 193 to 198 to the Consolidated financial statements.

### **Taxation**

Our tax strategy is aligned with our overall business strategy and is principled, transparent and sustainable for the longterm. The key components of this strategy are:

- A commitment to ensure full compliance with all statutory obligations, including full disclosure to all relevant tax authorities;
- Any tax planning strategy entered into is only implemented after full consideration of the risks and if necessary after prior consultation with the relevant tax authority. Those findings are recorded in any relevant structuring document;
- The maintenance of good relationships with tax authorities and a clear interaction between tax planning and the Group's wider corporate reputation and responsibility; and
- Management of tax affairs in a manner that seeks to maximise shareholder value whilst operating within the parameters of existing tax legislation.

For the financial period the underlying tax rate, including deferred taxes, was 16.5%. The Group's tax rate is sensitive to both geographical location of profits and business activity from which the profits are derived. It is anticipated that future years will see an increase in the effective tax rate following legislative changes announced in the 2017 Budget and the possible impact of interest deductions in line with OECD's Base Erosion Profit Shifting (BEPS) Action Point 4.

The suitability of our tax strategy is kept under constant review to ensure compliance with both the fiscal needs of the Group and the constant evolution of tax legislation.

### Dividends

Our dividend policy consists of two elements as follows:

- An Ordinary dividend, comprising interim and final at 2.4 pence and 3.5 pence per share respectively; and
- A supplemental dividend related to the net free level of cash flow generated from the financial year.

A final dividend of 3.5 pence per share was approved by the Board on 21 May 2019, to be paid on 6 September 2019 to shareholders on the register on 9 August 2019 (2018: 3.5 pence per share).

On 21 May 2019, the Board approved the payment of a supplemental dividend of 4.1 pence per share, to be paid on 12 July 2019 to shareholders on the register on 7 June 2019.

Foreign currency movements

The Group's operations are conducted primarily in the UK. However, as one of its three core regions is Dublin, the Group is exposed to movements in foreign exchange rates between Sterling and Euros.

The Group's principal exposure to foreign currency movements is in respect of its €47.0 million Euro-denominated loan notes, Euro-denominated bank loans and property assets.

At 31 March 2019, the Group had net Euro-denominated liabilities of €30.9 million (2018: €38.7 million).

The details of the Group's sensitivity to exchange rate movements are set out in note 17(d) of the Consolidated financial statements.

During the year, the value of Sterling against the Euro has fluctuated reflecting economic uncertainty relating to the UK's decision to leave the EU. The impact on our NAV during the period was a gain of £0.4 million, which is the net result of a gain of £0.2 million recorded in finance income in the profit and loss account and a gain through reserves of £0.2 million. This demonstrates that the Group's foreign currency hedging strategy has been effective during times of significant foreign currency volatility.

Marcus Shepherd Chief Financial Officer 21 May 2019

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### Five-year summary

		31 March 2019	28 February 2018	28 February 2017	28 February 2016	28 February 201
Revenue	£m	150.3	173.7	123.9	242.3	203.7
Profit/(loss) before taxation	£m	6.3	48.2	(1.7)	25.8	34.8
Net assets	£m	360.1	379.3	347.6	363.3	346.4
Earnings/(loss) per share	Pence	4.2	32.2	(2.4)	17.5	26.8
Net assets per share	Pence	289	303	278	291	276

CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTION
TO CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

# THE DISCIPLIATE TO DELIVER.

PETER WILLIAMS, CHAIRMAN, STRATEGY DAY, DUBLIN

# Applying the principles of the UK Corporate Governance Code

### **LEADERSHIP**

A clear tone of good governance has been established throughout the Company by:

- A comprehensive corporate governance framework;
- Clearly defined roles and responsibilities of Board members; and
- Half the Board being comprised of independent Nonexecutive Directors, fostering open and honest dialogue at the Board and its Committees, led by the Chairman.

More on pages 104 to 111.

### **EFFECTIVENESS**

Effective leadership of the Company by the Board through:

- Continued focus on Group strategy, risk, finance, governance and people;
- Successful execution of succession planning at Board level; and
- Annual review of the effectiveness of the Board, its Committees and Directors.

More on pages 112 to 119.

### **ACCOUNTABILITY**

Transparent lines of accountability leading back to the Board with:

- Clear and accountable reporting lines of Committees and senior management through to the Board;
- Delegation of authority from the Board to its Committees set out in published terms of reference; and
- Continuous review and improvement to risk management and internal controls.

More on pages 120 to 126.

### RELATIONS WITH SHAREHOLDERS AND STAKEHOLDERS

Ongoing engagement with shareholders and stakeholders through:

- Executive Directors, the Chairman and Senior Independent Director meeting with key stakeholders and shareholders throughout the year;
- Site visits to key projects for major shareholders, analysts and stakeholders; and
- Engaging with smaller shareholders through the AGM process.

More on pages 127 to 129.

### REMUNERATION

A transparent remuneration framework aligned with Company performance and the creation of shareholder value by:

- Incentive structure focused on longer-term performance;
- Monitoring of market trends and incorporation of changes in legislation by the Remuneration Committee;
   and
- All employee share incentive plan aligning the aims of Executive Management with those of the wider workforce.

More on pages 130 to 148.

### Governance highlights

U+l's governance highlights for the 13-month financial period ended 31 March 2019 include:

- The appointment of Professor Sadie Morgan as a new independent Non-executive Director, effective 3 April 2019, increasing representation of independent Nonexecutive Directors on the Board to 50%, and female representation on the Board to 33%. See pages 116 to 119.
- Our first externally facilitated Board and Board Committee evaluation, undertaken by Professor Rob Goffee, Emeritus Professor, London Business School. See pages 113 to 115.
- In-depth Board engagement in the refinement of our corporate strategy, and the strategic priorities of the business, through three Board strategy offsite days during the 13-month period to 31 March 2019. See page 101 for further details.
  - Extensive commitment to shareholder and stakeholder engagement as set out on pages 127 to 129.
- Oversight over significant project wins in the period in addition to key acquisitions and disposals within the Investment Portfolio.
   See page 108.
- Ongoing focus on Board and Executive succession planning with key senior hires during the period.
   See pages 116 to 119.
- Full compliance with the UK Corporate Governance Code for the 13-month period to 31 March 2019, and Board engagement with the changes introduced by the revised Code effective for the Company from 1 April 2019.

### **Dear Shareholder**

On behalf of the Board I am pleased to present the Corporate Governance Report for U+I for the 13-month financial period ended 31 March 2019.

### Our purpose

At U+I we turn unloved, overlooked sites into beautiful places to live, work and enjoy life. As I've discussed on page 7, this purpose, underpinned by our core values of imagination, intelligence and audacity, lies at the very heart of our business and drives everything we do as a Company. By engaging and listening to our different stakeholders, using the various channels set out on pages 127 to 129, we are able to understand how we can enhance people's lives, and whole communities, by creating places with a long-lasting positive social and economic legacy. As a Company we live our values, they make us distinctive, and we are proud of the meaningful contributions we are delivering to the communities in which we operate.

### Our culture

It is only possible to fulfil our purpose by having the right culture, a culture championed by the Board and ingrained throughout the business. This includes ensuring full transparency and accountability in everything we do, as we demonstrate throughout this Report. At U+I our aim is to be a market leader in terms of the places we create, but also a thought leader by redefining how we set about doing this. It is essential for us to not only talk about our purpose, culture and values, but also to be able to demonstrate how we are putting these into action in everything we do.

# CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTION TO CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CONTINUED

One example where we are able to demonstrate our commitment to transparency and accountability is through the establishment of our new independent PPP Community Challenge Panel; this panel will be made up of a variety of external stakeholders and chaired by our new independent Non-executive Director, Professor Sadie Morgan, who will report directly to the Board. The purpose of this panel is to continually review and hold the Company to account on the promises we have made to stakeholders at the beginning of our projects. For further details see page 18.

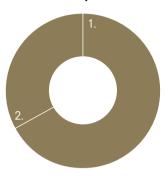
### Our strategy

It is important that, as a Board, we are focused on achieving our results, and ensuring the Company is delivering against targets and forecasts in the short term. However. I believe that it is also essential, especially given the uncertainty of today's economic and political climate, that as a Board we are given the time to take a step back and understand the bigger picture, to enable us to identify future trends, opportunities and risks, as well as talent, to ensure the Company has the right focus, people and culture to guide the strategic direction of the business over the longer term. We do this through our Board and Leadership Team strategy days. In the period under review we had three such days. More information on what was discussed on these days can be found on page 101.

# Appointment of new Non-executive Director

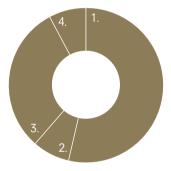
I am delighted to welcome Professor Sadie Morgan to the Board as a new independent Non-executive Director effective from 3 April 2019. Professor Morgan has a distinguished career as a Sterling prize winning architect and will bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to Board

### **Board diversity**



1. Male: **67%** 6 2. Female: **33%** 3

# Board skills and experience\*



- 1. Property: **7** 2. Retail: **1** 3. Finance: **4** 4. Legal: **1**
- \* Areas of significant skill/experience

discussions. The recruitment process used for this appointment is described in the Nomination Committee report on page 117. In addition to the regular responsibilities of a Nonexecutive Director, and the chairing of our new PPP Community Challenge Panel, discussed previously, Professor Morgan will also be taking on the additional responsibility of chairing our Workforce Engagement Panel, established in line with new corporate governance requirements. Following this appointment we are pleased to have reached one-third female representation on the Board. Further information on the Company's diversity can be found on page 80.

### 2019 Board evaluation

This year, as we continue to align ourselves with good governance practice, our Board evaluation was externally facilitated by Professor Rob Goffee. Emeritus Professor of the London Business School. Professor Goffee has significant experience in conducting board evaluations. This was the first external evaluation undertaken by the Board, and I am pleased to confirm that the review concluded that the Board and its Committees were working effectively. Full details of the findings of the Board evaluation can be found on pages 113 to 115.

### New Corporate Governance Code

As a Board we are committed to maintaining the highest standards of corporate governance. Only by ensuring a culture of good governance will we be able to achieve our purpose of creating long-lasting social and economic change for the communities in which we operate, as well as generating the sustainable value we demand for our shareholders. We welcome the introduction of the new **UK Corporate Governance** Code which came into effect

on 1 January 2019, and applies to U+I for the year beginning 1 April 2019. The Board has reviewed the requirements of the new Code and is confident that the necessary processes and procedures have been put in place to enable the Board to report in our 2020 Annual Report that U+I is fully compliant with the Code.

### Stakeholder engagement

U+I understands the importance of continuous and meaningful engagement with its stakeholders. We believe that this is fundamental to our business, as well as our purpose and values, and it differentiates us as a company. You can read about our stakeholder engagement throughout the 13-month period to 31 March 2019 on pages 60 to 81 and 127 to 129.

### Change of year-end

Finally, as you will be aware, U+I changed its financial year-end during the year from 28 February 2019 to 31 March 2019. This was for reporting purposes, to bring our accounting period in line with our peer group and many of our stakeholders, and to ensure important synergies and timeframes were aligned.

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Peter Williams, Chairman 21 May 2019

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# CONNECTING GOVERNANCE AND PERFORMANCE



A Chief Executive's report, which includes relevant matters to highlight since the previous meeting, along with economic and market analysis, in addition to in-depth project, finance, health and safety, marketing, governance, and investor relations reports are reviewed at each meeting.



# 1. Peter Williams

Chairman

### How our purpose makes us distinctive:

Ever since I joined U+I I have been impressed by the way in which we actively seek to form positive partnerships. whether that's with the people who work directly for the business or in the PPP arena. U+I is mature enough to recognise the best results, including long-term values. come from working together."

### Appointed: 4 January 2016

Period of service on

the Board: 3 years, 5 months

### **Experience**

Peter became Chairman of the Company on 14 July 2016. The former CEO of Selfridges, he has over 30 years of board-level experience, having held a number of executive and non-executive positions at a wide range of public and private consumerfacing businesses. Peter is currently Chairman at DP Eurasia NV, the master franchise owner for Domino's Pizza in Turkey and Russia, he was also recently made Chairman of Superdry plc, the UK branded clothing company. In addition, Peter has served on the boards of many companies, including Boohoo.com plc. Rightmove plc, ASOS plc, Cineworld Group Plc, Jaeger, Silverstone Holdings Ltd, EMI Group, Blacks Leisure Group Plc, JJB Sport, GCap Media and Capital Radio Plc. Peter is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

### Committees

Chairman of the Nomination Committee, member of the Remuneration Committee.

# 2. Matthew Weiner

Chief Executive

### How our purpose makes us distinctive:

'We're distinctive because we have an opinion, in a world where having a voice can be frowned upon. We take action orientated thought leadership as a responsibility and must stand up for our industry that is too easily criticised. It is our purpose to help communities understand through delivering great places, that partnership can be productive and not destructive as the default."

### Appointed:

18 March 2004

### Period of service on the Board:

15 years, 2 months

### Experience

Matthew was appointed as Chief Executive of the Company following the AGM in July 2015, previously serving on the Board of Development Securities Plc as a Director. Prior to joining the Company, Matthew worked as a Fund Manager at both Legal & General and AXA Investment Management. Matthew is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, and a board member of the charity Jewish Care. He joined Development Securities Plc in November 2000 as Director of Investments.

### 3. Richard Upton Chief Development Officer

### How our purpose makes us distinctive:

'The fundamental purpose of regeneration, and in turn U+I, is to improve the health and well-being of people by creating places of beauty, convenience and opportunity, which we shape with values of intelligence, imagination and audacity (the last value provides the pace and innovation necessary to be market-leading). In so doing U+I has the ambition to be best in class and with all that comes an incredible culture. brand and sustainable growth in shareholder value.

### Appointed: 19 May 2014

### Period of service on the Board:

5 years

### **Experience**

Richard was the co-founder and Chief Executive Officer of the specialist regeneration real estate developer Cathedral Group, which was acquired by Development Securities Plc in May 2014 He was previously a founding director of Mount Anvil, a leading London house builder, and is a member of the London Advisory Committee for English Heritage. In January 2018, Richard was appointed a Commissioner for Historic England. Richard was appointed as Deputy Chief Executive of the Company in July 2015.

### 4. Marcus Shepherd Chief Financial Officer

### How our purpose makes us distinctive:

'The easiest thing in the world is to accept the status quo and do exactly what evervone else does. But is that what communities need? Is that what people want? We should challenge ourself to deliver truly inspirational places.

### Appointed:

18 February 2013

### Period of service on the Board:

6 years, 3 months

### Experience

Marcus is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. His previous roles included Finance Director (Global Real Estate) at Aviva Investors, Chief Financial Officer (Europe) for Valad Property Group and Group Finance Director of Teesland Plc.

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### CONTINUED

# 5. Nick Thomlinson Senior Independent Non-executive Director

# How our purpose makes us distinctive:

"U+I challenges the concept that as a business you can either 'do good or do well', by engaging and encouraging its wider stakeholder base to contribute towards a shared vision that through truly transformational regeneration, and the making of great places, we can unlock untapped potential creating positive change for all."

### 6. Barry Bennett

Non-executive Director

# How our purpose makes us distinctive:

"Every development, whether good or bad, creates locations for people to live, work or play. U+I is single minded in the pursuit of creating great distinctive places. It is this focus on developing memorable places which sets us apart."

### 7. Lynn Krige

Independent Non-executive Director

# How our purpose makes us distinctive:

"To make an impact you have to have focus. The need for regeneration is nationwide and we have chosen to focus on three key geographies to concentrate our impact and succeed in creating amazing places."

### 8. Ros Kerslake OBE

Independent Non-executive Director

# How our purpose makes us distinctive:

"Many organisations claim to deliver regeneration, but true regeneration and place making requires a real commitment to working with the local community and understanding what defines an area. U+I genuinely makes that effort and works hard, in partnership with local stakeholders, to deliver the right scheme."

### Appointed:

3 January 2012

# Period of service on the Board:

7 years, 5 months

### Experience

Nick is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. He is a former senior partner and Chairman of the Knight Frank Group.

### Committees

Chairman of the Remuneration Committee, member of the Audit and Risk Committee and Nomination Committee.

### Appointed: 19 May 2014

Period of service on the Board:

# 5 years Experience

Barry is a chartered accountant with significant experience in the financial and property sectors, and is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland. Barry was previously a founding director of Mount Anvil, a London housebuilder, and in 2002 founded specialist regeneration real estate developer Cathedral Group with Richard Upton.

# Appointed:

10 March 2016

# Period of service on the Board:

3 years, 3 months

### Experience

Lynn is currently Chief Financial Officer at WELL Group and brings over 25 years' experience from across the construction, infrastructure, investment and B2B services sectors. She has previously held executive roles at British Engineering Services Limited, Speedy Hire Plc and John Laing Plc, originally qualifying with Deloitte in South Africa.

### Committees

Chairman of the Audit and Risk Committee, member of the Remuneration Committee and Nomination Committee.

### Appointed:

1 September 2017

# Period of service on the Board:

1 year, 9 months

### Experience

Ros is currently Chief Executive Officer of the Heritage Lottery Fund and has previously held senior executive positions at The Prince's Regeneration Trust, RegenCo. and Network Rail. Trained as a solicitor, she brings over 30 years of property, regeneration and corporate experience and has varied experience working across publicly listed, private and public interest companies. Ros is also a member of the Community, Voluntary and Local Services Honours Advisory Committee. Ros holds honorary degrees from Keele and Staffordshire Universities for her work in heritage and regeneration, and, in 2016, she was awarded an Order of the British Empire for her services to British Heritage.

### Committees

Member of the Audit and Risk Committee, the Remuneration Committee and the Nomination Committee.

### 9. Professor Sadie Morgan\* Independent Non-executive Director

# How our purpose makes us distinctive:

"I chose to join the Board of U+I due to the very distinctive approach it takes to its projects, founded on a deep sense of responsibility, inclusion, purpose and community, which I share."

# Appointed: 3 April 2019

### Period of service on the Board: 2 months

### Experience

Sadie has over 20 years' experience in the real estate sector as a Stirling prize-winner and co-founder of dRMM architects. In addition, Sadie chairs the Independent Design Panel for High Speed 2, reporting directly to the Secretary of State. She is one of ten commissioners for the National Infrastructure Commission, and is also one of the Mayor's Design Advocates for the Greater London Authority.

Sadie completed an MA at the Royal College of Arts in 1993. She was elected president of the Architectural Association in 2013, was shortlisted for the AJ Woman Architect of the Year award in 2014, and in 2016 she was appointed Professor of Professional Practice at the University of Westminster and awarded an honorary doctorate from London South Bank University.

### **Committees**

Member of the Remuneration Committee and the Nomination Committee.

\* Professor Sadie Morgan joined the Board on 3 April 2019. She is not present in the Board photo on page 98.

### **STRATEGIC THINKING**

In today's constantly evolving economic and political climate it is essential that, as a Board, we keep abreast of current trends and developments within the markets we operate, but also that we are allowed the time to step back and look at the bigger picture, and to engage in debate and strategic planning over the longer term. To facilitate this Directors are taken away from the regular Board environment by way of our Board offsite strategy days.

Organised by the Company Secretary, U+I holds two offsite Board and Leadership Team strategy days each year. In the 13-month period to 31 March 2019 the Board held three strategy away days. The purpose of these days is: i) to bring to life U+l's developments through site visits, during the period under review we visited sites at Harwell, Brighton and Dublin; and ii) to ensure enough time is given for detailed and focused discussion and debate around the strategic direction and priorities of the Company outside the regular Board meeting agenda.

### March 2018

# Harwell Science Campus, Oxfordshire:

- Guided tour of Harwell Science Campus;
- strategic review of risk, liquidity, market outlook, political developments, overheads, return on capital;
- facilitated setting of strategic objectives 2018–2023;
- review of metrics for measuring success;
- review of construction procurement costs, and risks on complex projects;
- 'Proptech' Investment review:
- dividend policy review; and
- approval of change of year-end to 31 March 2019.

# **September 2018**Circus Street and Preston Barracks, Brighton:

- Guided tour of Circus Street and Preston Barracks developments;
- strategic review of overheads and acquisition strategy;
- review of Investment Portfolio strategy;
- update on 'Project Ruby' key funding strategy;
- external presentation on political developments and risks;
- key project approvals; and
- approval of Employee Benefit Trust funding.



### February 2019

### Donnybrook House and White Heather Industrial Estate, Dublin:

- Guided tour of U+l's developments in Dublin including Donnybrook House and White Heather Industrial Estate;
- presentation on Ireland's, and in particular Dublin's, political and economic outlook over the short and longer terms by an experienced resident expert;
- talent management review;
- organisational strategy review and discussion;
- update on St James's Gate proposal; and
- updates on our Plus X,
   JV business and 'Project Ruby', a key strategic project funding initiative.

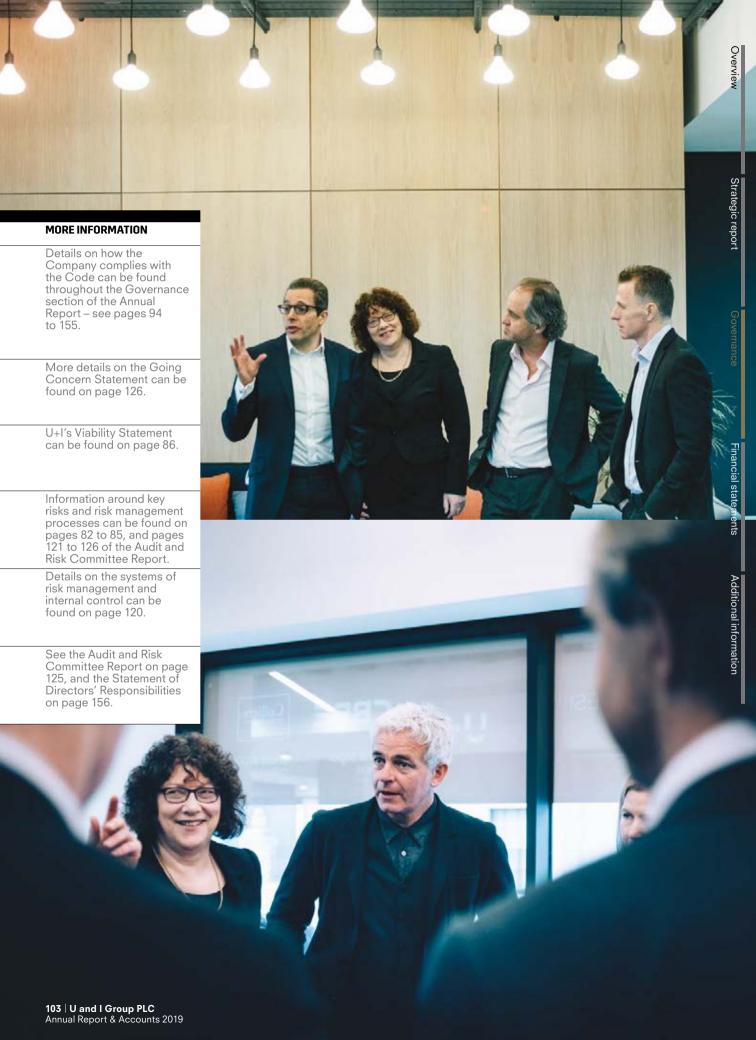


# **BOARD STATEMENTS**

In accordance with the UK Corporate Governance Code (the Code), the Board is required to make a number of statements. These statements are set out in the table below:

### REQUIREMENT **BOARD STATEMENT** Compliance with the Code The Board confirms that, in its view, the Company has As a Company listed on the London Stock Exchange, applied the main principles and has complied with all the U and I Group PLC is subject to the requirements of the provisions set out in the Code during the financial period Code. The Board is required to comply with the provisions under review. of the Code and, where it does not, explain the reasons for The Board is aware of the requirements of the new non-compliance. Governance Code coming into effect for the Company on 1 April 2019, and is working to ensure it complies fully with the principles and provisions set out under the new Code. **Going Concern Statement** The Directors are satisfied that the Group has adequate The Board is required to confirm that the Group has adequate resources to continue to be operational as a going concern resources to continue in operation for at least 12 months. for the foreseeable future and therefore have adopted the going concern basis in preparing the Group's 2019 financial statements. Viability Statement The Directors have a reasonable expectation that the The Board is required to assess the viability of the Company, Group will be able to continue in operation and meet its taking into account the current position and the potential liabilities as they fall due over the five-year period to impact of the principal risks and uncertainties set out on March 2024. pages 82 to 85. Principal risks facing the Group A robust assessment of the principal risks facing the The Board is required to confirm that a robust assessment of Company was undertaken during the year, including those the principal risks facing the Company has been carried out that would threaten its business model, future performance, and should describe those risks and explain how they are solvency or liquidity. The significant risks facing the Company, and how these are mitigated, are set out on being managed or mitigated. pages 82 to 85. Risk management and internal control The Board conducted a review of the effectiveness of the The Board is required to monitor the Company's risk systems of risk management and internal control during the period, and considers that there is a sound system of management and internal control systems and, at least annually, carry out a review of their effectiveness. internal control which accords with the Financial Reporting Council's Guidance on Risk Management, Internal Control and Related Financial and Business Reporting. Fair, balanced and understandable The Directors consider, to the best of each person's knowledge and belief, that the Annual Report, taken as a The Board should confirm that it considers the Annual Report, taken as a whole, to be fair, balanced and understandable and whole, is fair, balanced and understandable and provides the information necessary for shareholders to assess the provides the information necessary for shareholders to assess the Company's position and performance, business model Company's position and performance, business model and strategy. and strategy.





# **LEADERSHIP**

### The Board

The Board, led by the Chairman, Peter Williams, is responsible for ensuring the effective leadership of the Company through the approval and implementation of U+I's business strategy, and oversight and review of the Group's activities. It is collectively responsible to shareholders for the long-term success of the Company, whilst ensuring that levels of risk and risk mitigation are appropriate.

In carrying out its responsibilities, the Board takes into account the size and complexity of the Group, and the internal control measures employed, to determine which formal matters are to be reserved to it, and which are to be delegated to its various Committees or the Executive Directors and Leadership Team. The Board has put in place a formal schedule of reserved matters which require its approval that includes, but is not limited to, those set out opposite.

The Board meets regularly during the year, see page 106 for further information, and covers a wide range of topics including those set out in an annual schedule of Board items, one-off project specific items, and any adhoc items specified within its terms of reference. How the Board spent its time during the year can be found on pages 108 to 110. During the 13-month period covered by this report the Board held three strategy away days at Harwell Campus, Oxfordshire, Brighton and Dublin. Further information on the matters the Board addressed during these strategy days can be found on page 101.

# Matters reserved for the Board

At least once a year the Board reviews the nature and scale of matters reserved for its decision. These include:

- Company strategy and financial performance;
- Approval of significant funding arrangements, capital expenditure and the issue of any new securities;
- Executive performance, retention, remuneration and succession planning for the Board and senior management;
- Authorisation of significant transactions, investment acquisitions and disposals and corporate acquisitions;
- Dividend policy;
- Oversight of corporate reputation and communication;
- Internal control and risk management systems, and:
- Review of the Board's own effectiveness.

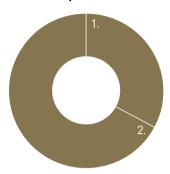
# Board composition and appointments

As at 1 March 2018, the Board consisted of three Executive Directors, a Non-executive Chairman and four Non-executive Directors. three of whom were considered independent. The Board did not change in the 13-month period to 31 March 2019. On 3 April 2019 the Company announced that Professor Sadie Morgan would be appointed as a new independent Non-executive Director with immediate effect. On appointment Professor Morgan also became a member of the Remuneration Committee and the Nomination Committee, Professor Morgan's additional responsibilities at U+I are set out on page 117. As at 21 May 2019, the date this report was approved, the Board consisted of three Executive Directors, a Non-executive Chairman and five Non-executive Directors, four of whom were deemed to be independent.

# Chief Development Officer

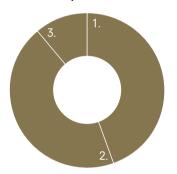
On 22 May 2019, following approval from the Board, Richard Upton's job title changed from Deputy Chief Executive Officer to Chief Development Officer. The Board believed that the Deputy CEO title did not fully reflect the full extent and focus of Richard's role. Whilst Richard's job content is not changing, this new title better indicates where his focus will be concentrated, where he has accountability, and his responsibility for the origination of new opportunities, exploiting the potential within U+I's increased pipeline, and the execution of our major PPP projects.

### **Board composition**



Executive: 33%
 Non-executive: 67%

### **Board independence**



- 1. Independent: **4** 2. Non-independent: **4**
- 3. Chairman:\* 1
- Chairman was confirmed independent on appointment.

Further information on the appointment of Sadie Morgan can be found on pages 116 to 119.

Biographical information for all Directors in office at the date of this Report is set out on pages 99 to 101.

**Division of responsibilities**In accordance with the UK Corporate Governance Code, the roles and remit of the Chairman, Chief Executive and Senior Independent Director are set out in writing and agreed by the Board. There were no significant changes to the Chief Executive's or Chairman's other commitments during the year.

ROLE	RESPONSIBILITIES
Chairman Peter Williams  The Chairman is responsible for the leadership of the Board and ensuring its effectiveness.	Peter Williams, who became Chairman following the 2016 AGM, has the following key responsibilities:  - To organise the business of the Board and ensure the smooth flow of information, in conjunction with the Company Secretary, and to promote open and honest dialogue to enable effective decision-making.  - To work alongside the Chief Executive in establishing the key strategic objectives of the Company.  - To promote the Company and enhance its standing with stakeholders.
Chief Executive Matthew Weiner  The Chief Executive is responsible for the running of the Company's business and meeting its strategic objectives.	Matthew Weiner, who became Chief Executive of the Company following the 2015 AGM, has the following key responsibilities:  - To work alongside the Chairman, Executive Directors and Leadership Team in establishing the key strategic objectives of the Company.  - To oversee the overall performance of the business.  - To implement the Group's business plan.
Non-executive Directors Nick Thomlinson Barry Bennett Lynn Krige Ros Kerslake Sadie Morgan  The Non-executive Directors play a key role in shaping strategy and holding executive management to account.	<ul> <li>The Non-executive Directors, as set out on pages 100 and 101, have the following key responsibilities:</li> <li>To bring external perspectives and insight to the deliberations of the Board and its Committees.</li> <li>To play an important role in the formulation and progression of the Board's agreed strategy, and review and monitor the performance of the executive management in the implementation of this strategy.</li> <li>To provide challenge to Executive Directors to produce a considered and independent outcome to Board deliberations.</li> </ul>
Senior Independent Director Nick Thomlinson  The Senior Independent Director is an additional avenue of recourse to stakeholders where normal channels are not available or appropriate.	<ul> <li>Nick Thomlinson, who became Senior Independent Director following the 2016 AGM, has the following key responsibilities:</li> <li>To be available to stakeholders should they have concerns which have not been resolved through the normal channels, or if these channels are not deemed appropriate.</li> <li>To act as Chairman should the requirement arise.</li> <li>To be responsible for leading the Non-executive Directors in the annual performance evaluation of the Chairman.</li> <li>To act as a sounding board for the Chairman and serve as an intermediary for other Directors where necessary.</li> </ul>
Leadership Team  Consists of U+I's Executive Directors and Senior Divisional Directors.	The Leadership Team has the following key responsibilities:  Responsibility for the development and implementation of the Company's business strategy.  Responsibility for the executive management of the Company's business.  To assist the Chief Executive, Chief Development Officer, and Chief Financial Officer in managing the operational and financial performance of the Group.
Company Secretary Chris Barton  An officer of the Company responsible for advising the Board on governance matters.	Chris Barton, who became Company Secretary in November 2014, has the following key responsibilities:  - Under direction from the Chairman, to ensure the appropriate information flows to the Board and its Committees to facilitate discussions and allow fully informed decisions to be made by Directors.  - To ensure the Non-executive Directors have access to senior management where required.  - To ensure an appropriate induction process and ongoing training are in place for Executive and Non-executive Directors.  - To facilitate the Board evaluation process.  - To advise the Board and its Committees on all governance matters.



### **Board meetings during** the year

The Board met formally ten times during the 13-month period to 31 March 2019. Three of these meetings, in March and September 2018, and February 2019 were offsite Board and Leadership Team strategy days.

Additional meetings were called at short notice for specific project approval, and did not necessarily require full attendance, although all Directors were given the opportunity to attend or comment on each proposal put forward. Where a Director is unable to participate in a meeting either in person or remotely, the Chairman will solicit their views on key items of business ahead of time, in order that these can be presented at the meeting and can influence the debate.

The Chairman and the Non-executive Directors met on two occasions during the period without Executive Directors in attendance. The Non-executive Directors also met during the period without the Executive Directors or the Chairman present.

### **Richard Upton** sabbatical

Our Chief Development Officer, Richard Upton, undertook a four-month sabbatical from the Company between 1 September 2018 and 31 December 2018, where he spent time travelling overseas with his family. This sabbatical was approved by the Board and was in line with the Company's sabbatical policy. To ensure full transparency the Company announced details of this sabbatical to the market on 4 July 2018. Richard remained in contact with the business on a range of projects throughout his sabbatical period and was instrumental in the Company's bid for a significant new project during this time.

### **BOARD MEETING ATTENDANCE**

Board and Committee meetings are typically held in the boardroom at the Company's registered office, 7A Howick Place, London SW1P 1DZ. Board strategy days are held at an offsite location. The following table sets out the attendance of the Directors at the scheduled meetings of the Board during the financial year:

	,	Number of meetings attended/ meetings	%
Director	Appointed	possible	Attendance
Peter Williams	04.01.2016	10/10	100
Chairman	04.01.2016	10/10	100
Matthew Weiner Chief Executive	18.04.2004	10/10	100
Richard Upton Chief Development Officer	19.05.2014	7/71	100
Marcus Shepherd Chief Financial Officer	18.02.2013	10/10	100
Nick Thomlinson Senior Independent Director	03.01.2012	10/10	100
Barry Bennett Non-executive Director	19.05.2014	10/10	100
Lynn Krige Independent Non-executive Director	10.03.2016	10/10	100
Ros Kerslake Independent Non-executive Director	01.09.2017	10/10	100
Sadie Morgan <sup>2</sup> Independent Non-executive Director	03.04.2019	_	_

- Richard Upton took a brief sabbatical for the period 1 September 2018 to 31 December 2018 during which time he was unavailable to attend three Board meetings. This sabbatical was approved in advance by the Board and an announcement was made to the London Stock Exchange on 4 July 2018, see opposite for more information.

  2 Sadie Morgan was appointed as a Director of the Company following the period under review.

### **BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETING PREPARATION PROCESS**

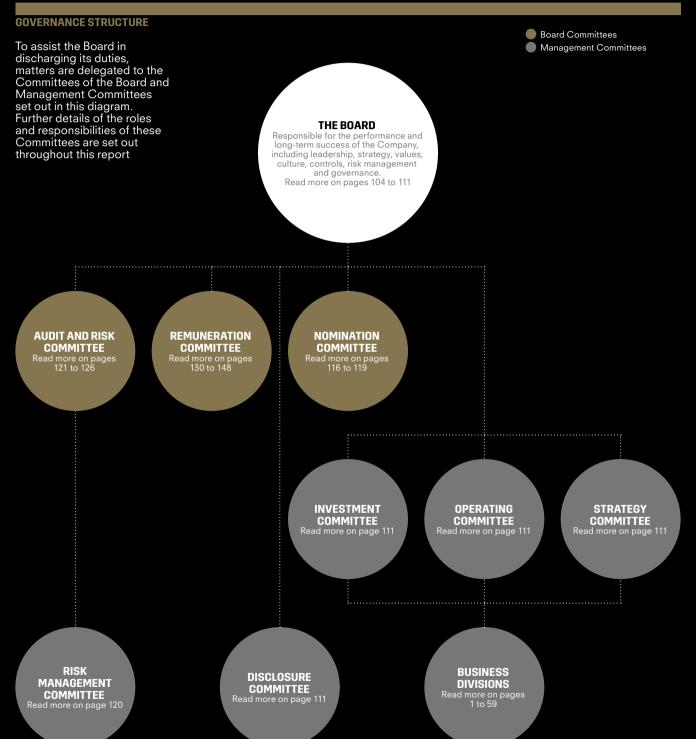
The Company Secretary manages a yearly planner of key Board and Board Committee agenda items and the timings required for annual matters.

The Company Secretary liaises with the Chairman, Executive Directors and Committee Chairmen at least two weeks ahead of the Board and Committee meetings to confirm agenda items.

The Investment Committee meets around ten days prior to each Board meeting to agree all project-related matters requiring Board discussion/approval and feeds these items into the agenda via the Company Secretary.

Board papers are circulated electronically, or hard copy where required one week prior to the meeting.

Standardised Board reporting templates are in place, and training has been given to those preparing reports to ensure clarity, consistency and conciseness in approach.



### LEADERSHIP CONTINUED

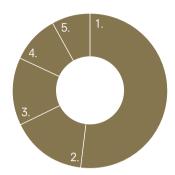
# Key Board activities during the year

The key activities the Board addressed during the 13-month period to 31 March 2019 can be separated into the five general areas outlined on pages 108 to 110. The amount of time spent on each area will vary depending on the nature and importance of the activity at any given time, however, a general outline of how the Board spent its time is shown in the diagram to the right.

The Board and the Leadership Team keep all areas of the business under review within the context of the strategic priorities of the Company and the key risks facing the business, as set out on pages 82 to 86.

The five areas in the chart to the right, and set out on pages 108 to 110, represent the primary focus of the Board in discharging its obligations to the Company, and how it allocated its time during the period to 31 March 2019:

### Board activities - allocation of time



- 1. Strategy and business development: **52**%
- 2. Financial planning and performance: 16%
- 3. Leadership, culture and people: **14**%
- 4. Governance, risk and internal controls: 10%
- 5. Stakeholders and investor relations: 8%

TOPIC

### WHAT WE DO

# 1. Strategy and new and existing project portfolio

The Board formulates and oversees the strategic direction and priorities of the Company, ensuring the correct strategy, given the nature of the markets and the economic conditions in which it is operating.

### WHAT WE HAVE DONE THIS YEAR

- In-depth reviews and discussion around the strategic priorities of the Company, including three dedicated Board strategy days during the 13-month period to 31 March 2019. See page 101 for further details.
- Comprehensive project reports reviewed at each meeting, covering progress against plan in accordance with pre-approved strategy.
- Appointment as master planner and promoter to deliver 5,200 homes and 1 million sq.ft. of office space in North Cambridge alongside Anglian Water and Cambridge City Council.
- In-depth discussions around, and roll-out, of 'Project Ruby', a major strategic project funding initiative undertaken during the period, to continue through 2019/20
- Progress made with regards to the repositioning of the Investment Portfolio, including acquisitions of St. Peter's Quarter, Bournemouth, the Waterglade Retail Park in Clacton-On-Sea, and Finchley Pure Gym\*.
  Disposal of assets at Charlton Riverside, Bryn Blaen,
- Disposal of assets at Charlton Riverside, Bryn Blaen, and at The Old Vinyl Factory, Hayes, in line with agreed strategy\*.
- Two investments made as part of a new 'Proptech' investment strategy.
- Sale of residential sites at Preston Barracks, allowing for the future delivery of one of Brighton's biggest ever mixed-use regeneration schemes\*.
- Approval of new acquisitions in line with agreed strategy, including Finsbury Park, Ashford and Dublin\*.
- Successful funding of Luneside East Regeneration Project, Lancaster.
- Consideration of reports received from the Investment Committee.
- \* Further details of all acquisitions and disposals made during the period under review can be found on our website at uandiplc.com.

### TOPIC WHAT WE DO WHAT WE HAVE DONE THIS YEAR 2. Financial planning The Board, led by the Chief A review of financial performance against strategy, and and performance Financial Officer, monitors the monitoring of performance against forecasted trading and discusses the financial and development gains. performance and Detailed consideration of financial matters at each requirements of the Company meeting, led by the Chief Financial Officer, including cash at each meeting, and has sole flow, trading forecast, annual and interim results, final, authority to approve interim and supplemental dividends, treasury and tax transactions over a matters, and consideration of the Going Concern and prescribed threshold. Viability Statements. Negotiation of a loan facility to provide increased flexibility and greater security to the Company's funding - Oversight of the implementation of a new financial reporting system. Change of year-end to align the Company with market and peer group reporting. Focus on operational discipline and capital, including ongoing review and reduction in the Company's net recurring overheads. 3. Leadership, culture Our people are our most Appointment of Professor Sadie Morgan as a new and people important asset and are independent Non-executive Director following the end of what sets U+I apart from its the 13-month financial period under review. This new role competitors. The Board has encompasses the additional responsibilities described on ongoing oversight to ensure page 117. the Company has the right Review of the operational structure of the Company to people and culture on the ensure the business is fit to meet its ongoing and future Board, its Committees, strategic priorities. its Leadership Team and Review of 'people strategy' and current priorities in terms of succession planning, and encouragement of diversity throughout the business, as well as addressing key areas across the business. of succession planning, Oversight of ongoing 'Working Smarter' initiative diversity and development addressing key processes of the business, including of talent. review and refinement of the Company's 'factory floor', led by the Chief Operating Officer. Changes to the structure of the Leadership Team to ensure the skills and experience are aligned with the future strategic priorities of the business, including the new appointments of Creative Director and Director of Content to the Leadership Team. Roll-out of a new talent development initiative to actively engage and encourage all employees to reach their full potential. All employee feedback through an anonymous questionnaire, and subsequent open and honest discussion of the results of the survey with all employees at a 'First Thursday' meeting. - Regular Board updates and presentations on all matters relating to people and culture. All employee monthly 'town-hall' style meetings and 'learning circles', led by Executive Management to encourage open discussion, debate and knowledge sharing.

 All Non-executive Directors' hosted open lunches with a number of employees to offer the benefit of their experience, guidance, and key learnings from their careers, and to address any questions from the

attendees.

### TOPIC WHAT WE DO WHAT WE HAVE DONE THIS YEAR Review of the conclusions of the 2018 internal Board 4. Governance, risk and Good governance, and an internal controls effective system of risk evaluation and the implementation of recommendations management, is essential in arising from this review. Approval of the Company's first externally facilitated Board evaluation for 2019, for the Board, its Committees, allowing the Board to maximise the opportunities available to the Company, whilst ensuring and for individual Board Directors. Followed by discussion risks are mitigated to the fullest and agreement on improvement opportunities and extent possible. priorities for the coming year. Ongoing educational programmes for the Board on matters including Brexit, corporate governance and information security, led by external subject matter experts. - Receipt of regular updates on meetings of the Board's principal committees and discussion around the key issues raised. Review of the Company's risk register and the effectiveness of the systems of internal control and risk management. Ongoing review of Health and Safety reports covering all projects. Appointment of a new Corporate Broker - Liberum Capital. - Approval of roll-out of eLearning courses for all employees on key governance and regulatory matters during the year. Discussion on key matters from a regulatory perspective including tax. Review of the Company's approach to anti-slavery and human trafficking, including approval of website statement. 5. Stakeholders and U+I believes in the power of Board oversight around the engagement of, and partnerships; by working shareholders relationship-building with, Local Authorities and the effectively with our partners Government to enable the successful creation of mixedwe become greater than the use development and regeneration projects, to help effect sum of our parts. The Board change in local communities. takes time to consider - Investor relations and media reports tabled at each Board meeting updating the Board on share performance, stakeholder and shareholder matters, and is committed shareholder movement and media coverage. Engagement with significant shareholders to address to an ongoing and active dialogue with stakeholders specific concerns around Director 'overboarding' ahead and shareholders on relevant of the 2018 AGM. Regular meetings with investors, and investor site visits issues to discuss any issues or concerns. Institutional investor feedback given by analysts on Company performance and investor presentations following full and half-year results. Review of reputation benchmarking exercise to understand U+I brand penetration and perception in the market. 'PPP: The Reset' campaign relaunch update. - Review of 2018 Notice of Annual General Meeting and proxy voting figures. For more information as to how we engaged with our stakeholders and shareholders during the year see pages 127 and 129.

### **Board Committees**

Supported by its principal Committees, the Remuneration, Audit and Risk and Nomination Committees, the Board sets the strategic direction of the Group. U+I's Board Committees operate within defined terms of reference, as determined by the Board. Each Committee is comprised of independent Non-executive Directors appointed by the Board. Terms of reference are available upon request from the Company Secretary and are also published on the Company's website at uandiplc.com. The Company Secretary acts as secretary to each of the Committees. The interaction between the Board, its Committees and the management of the Company is detailed in the U+I governance structure on page 107.

### **Audit and Risk Committee**

The Audit and Risk
Committee monitors the
effectiveness of the Group's
system of internal controls
and risk management
framework, the Group's risk
appetite, and the integrity of
the Group's financial
reporting, whistleblowing and
regulatory compliance. The
Audit and Risk Committee
Report is on pages 121 to 126.

### **Nomination Committee**

The Nomination Committee reviews and considers the size, structure and composition of the Board and its Committees, giving due regard to ongoing succession planning, and makes recommendations to the Board. The Nomination Committee Report is on pages 116 to 119.

### **Remuneration Committee**

The Remuneration
Committee reviews all
aspects of Executive
Directors' remuneration,
reviewing trends across the
industry and setting executive
remuneration policies which
are designed to incentivise
and retain talent, to support
the delivery of the Company's
long-term strategy. The
Remuneration Committee
report is on pages 131 to 148.

The Board Committees enable the Board to operate effectively within a strong governance framework.

### **Management Committees**

In addition to the Board Committees described on this page, internal Management Committees assist the Executive Directors in the day-to-day operations of the business.

U+I implemented a new internal governance framework in 2017, to align our internal governance structure to the evolving strategic priorities of the business. This new structure continued to be embedded during the year.

### The Leadership Team

To assist the Board and Executive Directors in the day-to-day operational management of the business, a Leadership Team made up of senior departmental directors was established. The Leadership Team assists the Executive Directors through the following Committees.

### **Investment Committee**

The Investment Committee is made up of the Leadership Team, the In-house Legal Counsel, and the Head of Direct Investment Portfolio, it is chaired by the Chief Operating Officer. The Committee meets every two weeks, or weekly if required, and always the week before a U+I Board meeting.

The Committee has the responsibility to track, scrutinise, challenge and drive progress on current and prospective property projects and investments, including progress against strategy and projected financial targets, and to scrutinise U+I's pipeline in light of agreed strategy and financial targets for subsequent years.

The Committee operates within agreed financial limits set by the Board. There is a clear delegation of authority from the Board to the Investment Committee, which is set out in writing and approved by the Board. Members of the Investment Committee are invited to present on relevant business activities and portfolio updates at each formal Board Meeting.

### **Operating Committee**

The Operating Committee is made up of the majority of the Leadership Team and chaired by the Chief Operating Officer. The Committee meets every two weeks, or weekly if required.

The Committee addresses topics around people, processes and operations across the whole business, and is responsible for ensuring the entire business is functioning optimally, and is set up to deliver against agreed strategy. The Committee is also responsible for driving the progress of the 'Working Smarter' programme and other improvement initiatives.

The Committee operates within agreed financial limits set by the Board, and there is a clear delegation of authority from the Board to the Operating Committee, which is set out in writing and approved by the Board. The Chief Operating Officer gives updates on matters discussed at the Operating Committee at each formal Board meeting.

### **Strategy Committee**

The Strategy Committee is made up of the Leadership Team and the In-house Legal Counsel. The Committee meets twice yearly, or more often if required.

The Committee is responsible for reviewing U+I's strategy and determining the extent to which it enables the Company to fulfil its purpose and values and meet its organisational objectives. The Committee, chaired by the Chief Operating Officer, reports into the Board.

### Risk Management Committee

The Risk Management Committee is made up of the Leadership Team, the Legal Counsel and the Company Secretary. The Committee meets four times a year to discuss the risk profile and risk tolerance levels within the business, and to ensure that the necessary risk mitigation processes are in place. The Committee reports into the Audit and Risk Committee. Further information can be found on page 120.

### **Disclosure Committee**

The Disclosure Committee is made up of the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and the Company Secretary. The Committee meets as and when required and has responsibility for the identification and disclosure, or where applicable the delay in disclosure, of inside information, and for ensuring that regulatory announcements comply with applicable legal or regulatory requirements. The Committee met twice during the period under review.

# **EFFECTIVENESS**

### Director independence

Peter Williams was appointed as Chairman of the Board following the AGM on 14 July 2016. On appointment, the Board considered that Peter met the independence criteria set out in the Code. The Chairman's biography can be found on page 99.

Sadie Morgan was appointed as an independent Non-executive Director on 3 April 2019. Further details regarding this appointment can be found in the Nomination Committee Report on pages 116 to 119.

The independence of each Non-executive Director has been assessed during the year, in line with the independence criteria contained within provision B.1.1 of the Code. The Board considered all the Nonexecutive Directors to be independent during the year with the exception of Barry Bennett who, along with Richard Upton, was the co-founder of Cathedral Group. The current ratio of Executive and independent Non-executive Directors is permissible for a smaller company under Code provision B.1.2.

### New Corporate Governance Code Provision

The new UK Corporate Governance Code, effective for the Company for the year beginning 1 April 2019, states that 'at least half the Board, excluding the Chair, should be non-executive directors whom the board considers to be independent'. Following the appointment of Sadie Morgan, effective 3 April 2019, the Board, excluding the Chairman, comprises 50% independent Non-executive Directors in accordance with the provisions set out in the new Corporate Governance Code.

### Information flow

The Company Secretary manages the provision of information to the Board, within an appropriate timeframe, in consultation with the Chairman and Chief Executive. As discussed on page 106, in addition to the formal meetings of the Board, there may be a requirement to hold ad hoc Board meetings where the approval of certain items cannot wait until the following scheduled meeting. When this occurs, Directors are given as much notice as possible, and all Directors are encouraged to attend these meetings, either in person or via telephone. The Company Secretary ensures that all Directors receive timely information in relation to the decisions that are being taken. The Chairman may arrange meetings with Non-executive Directors without any Executive Directors present to address any issues facing the Company.

The 2018 Board evaluation highlighted a requirement for the regular dissemination of information to the Board, with particular emphasis on project updates, outside of the normal Board and Committee process. To address this requirement a new process has been implemented whereby the Chief Executive circulates fortnightly updates on all key matters to ensure the Board is kept informed and engaged on major issues outside of the formal Board process.

# Induction, training and professional development

The Chairman, assisted by the Company Secretary, is responsible for the formal induction of all new Directors. On joining the Board, a Director receives a comprehensive induction pack prepared by the Company Secretary. This pack includes material relating to the Director's obligations as a Director of the Company, as well as all aspects of Board and

Committee governance. Induction meetings are arranged with Executive Directors. Non-executive Directors, and other relevant individuals, including all members of the Leadership Team, for briefings around business strategy, performance, finance and Company's projects. Visits to key project sites are arranged. At the time of writing this report Sadie Morgan was in the process of receiving a full induction following her appointment as a Nonexecutive Director on 3 April 2019. Further information regarding this induction can be found on page 119.

All Directors are given the opportunity to receive ongoing training and development whilst in office. Directors may request this as part of their annual performance evaluation, or through discussion with the Chairman or Company Secretary. The Chairman agrees training and development needs with each Director, as and when required. During the year, external experts attended Board meetings on the invitation of the Chairman to give updates on specific matters which had been identified as being of particular importance.

Development activities include regular presentations on the Company's projects and portfolio, along with discussions around market and economic trends, share price, trading performance and governance matters, led by Executive Directors and members of the Leadership Team.

# Professional advice and support

All Directors have access to the advice and services of the Company Secretary, who is responsible for advising the Board, through the Chairman, on corporate governance matters.

Directors are also able to seek independent

professional advice in respect of their duties at the Company's expense.

### Time commitment

On appointment, all Directors are advised of, and requested to make, the necessary time commitment required to discharge their responsibilities effectively. This time commitment is also outlined in the letters of appointment issued to the Chairman and Non-executive Directors.

As part of the annual performance evaluation each Director is appraised on their time commitment dedicated to the Company. The Board is satisfied that all Directors have dedicated the required amount of time to the Company to effectively fulfil their role.

At the 2018 AGM the Board noted a 20% vote opposing the reappointment of the Chairman amid concerns around 'overboarding'. This matter was addressed with significant shareholders prior to the meeting. In light of this vote the Board reviewed the Chairman's commitments, and the steps taken to address the concerns raised. In light of the above concerns the Chairman reduced his number of listed company board appointments during the period to 31 March 2019.

During the 13-month period to 31 March 2019 the Chairman attended 100% of Board and Board Committee meetings, held regular 1:1 meetings with the Chief Executive and other Directors to discuss relevant matters, and attended meetings with shareholders as and when required.

The Board acknowledges the other commitments the Chairman has and, as a whole, is content that the Chairman's additional appointments do not impact on his ability to allocate sufficient time to discharge his responsibilities to U+I.

### **Board evaluation**

The Board undertakes an annual performance evaluation in order to assess its own effectiveness. The Board strongly believes that the process of annually evaluating its effectiveness is helpful, provides a valuable opportunity to address any matters arising, and facilitates the continuous improvement of the Board, its Committees, and individual Director performance.

Previous Board, Board Committee and individual Director performance evaluations have been carried out through the use of detailed questionnaires, prepared by the Company Secretary, in conjunction with the Chairman. Responses have been collated and fed back to the Board and its Committees, following which a discussion takes place with recommendations made and action points taken as to improvements to be addressed during the following year. A review as to how the . Board and its Committees effectively implemented these recommendations is tabled prior to beginning of the subsequent Board evaluation process.

During 2019, the Board, its Committees and the individual Director performance evaluations were facilitated by an external expert. This process is described on page 114.

### **2018 BOARD EVALUATION**

In 2018 the Board undertook a formal performance evaluation of itself and its Committees by way of an internal questionnaire. As part of this process the effectiveness of individual Directors and their commitment to their respective roles was also reviewed.

The 2018 Board evaluation process identified no major issues with regards to the effectiveness of the Board's operations, and highlighted that the Board, its Committees and individual Directors continued to operate at a high standard, and were working effectively, following good governance practices.

Matters highlighted as a result of this evaluation process were discussed by the Board, and areas of focus for improvement were highlighted. Progress against these highlighted topics is detailed opposite.

### **AREA OF FOCUS**

Significant organisational changes had been made to the governance structure of the Company below Board level during the year. These changes required effective and ongoing embedding and monitoring by the Board to ensure the business continued to operate effectively.

### WHAT WE DID

During the year the composition of the Leadership Team was refreshed to ensure skills and experience were appropriately aligned to address the future requirements of the business. The Board was fully engaged throughout this process.

In addition, discussions were held by the Board throughout the year, led by the Chief Operating Officer, highlighting internal changes being made to the business in order to ensure the most efficient and effective operational structure was in place. This would continue to be monitored by the Board on a regular basis.

Dedicated Board strategy days were highlighted as the correct forum within which to engage in in-depth discussions around the Company's strategic priorities in light of the potential for future political and economic uncertainty.

During the period to 31 March 2019 the Board held three strategy days. These offsite strategic forums, attended by the Board and the Leadership Team, provided the correct platform to engage in discussions around Board strategy and the strategic priorities of the Company, in light of the political and economic environment that was developing during the period. Further information on what was discussed at the three strategy days can be found on page 101.

The Company's preparation for managing an unexpected event should be reviewed along with its crisis management procedure and processes to ensure it was fully prepared to manage any such event.

The Risk Management Committee reviews all identified risks and risk mitigation processes reporting into the Audit and Risk Committee. During the year the Company reviewed its IT infrastructure and security, its financial reporting systems, as well as the ongoing review of management succession planning and crisis management processes.

### 2019 BOARD EVALUATION

### **BOARD EVALUATION PROCESS**

The 2019 Board evaluation was conducted by an external independent facilitator, Professor Rob Goffee, Emeritus Professor of the London Business School. This was the first external evaluation undertaken by the Board. The evaluation process was divided into the six stages outlined below. Professor Goffee has no connection with the Company or any of the Board of Directors.

### Stage 1. Preparation

An initial meeting was held between Professor Goffee, the Chairman and the CEO to:

- Outline the history of the Company and the Board.
- Establish the key issues facing the Board and its Committees.
- Agree the Board evaluation process.

### Stage 2. Questionnaires

Questionnaires were circulated to all Directors focusing on:

- Board performance.
- Leadership and culture.
- Executive and Non-executive Director performance.
- Board Committee performance.
- Corporate governance.
- Board information.

### Stage 3. Interviews

During January 2019 Professor Goffee conducted detailed interviews with each Board member. The output from the earlier questionnaires was used as the basis for these interviews to explore in more detail any issues raised, and to obtain supplementary comments and observations.

### Stage 4. Reporting

A report containing the output from the Board evaluation process and a set of draft conclusions and recommendations was compiled by Professor Goffee, which was discussed initially with the Chairman and the Company Secretary. Professor Goffee then presented his report and recommendations to the Board at its meeting in March 2019.

### Stage 5. Outturns

The conclusions and recommendations of the report were discussed by the Board, and the areas of focus for the forthcoming year, as outlined opposite and on page 115, were agreed.

### Stage 6. Feedback

Following a Board discussion on the results of the evaluation, the Chairman took each Director through the individual feedback on their performance during the year, obtained as part of the evaluation process. The Chairman chaired a meeting of the Non-executive Directors without Executive Directors present where the performance of the Executive Directors was reviewed. The Senior Independent Director chaired a meeting of the Non-executive Directors without the Chairman or Executive Directors present, at which the performance of the Chairman was reviewed. Feedback was then given to all relevant parties.

### **BOARD EVALUATION RESULTS**

The Board considered its performance during the year and, in conjunction with the output of the Board evaluation, agreed it was satisfied that individual Directors were demonstrating the commitment required to be effective in their roles. The Board, along with its Committees, demonstrated the correct skills and experience required to enable the discharge of its duties effectively on behalf of the Company.

The conclusions drawn from the Board evaluation process, led by Professor Goffee, identified a number of key positive attributes which demonstrated that the governance structure and processes of the Board and its Committees were working effectively:

- The Board was seen as effective in its performance and adhered to a culture of good governance practice.
- Board discussion was open, honest and constructive, and the Board was supportive whilst also providing robust challenge to management.
- All Directors contributed effectively and demonstrated commitment to their roles in the 13-month period to 31 March 2019.
- The Chairman and Non-executive Directors had the appropriate mix of skills and capabilities and brought valuable experience and strategic insight to Board discussions. This would be further enhanced with the introduction of Professor Sadie Morgan as a new Non-executive Director effective 3 April 2019.
- The Executive Directors worked well as a team, and brought contrasting but complimentary technical, creative and entrepreneurial skills to the business.

The Chairman, with the assistance of the Chief Executive and Company Secretary, understands the requirement to continually evolve as a Board in line with changing requirements and legislation, and is committed to building on the current strengths of the Board, whilst ensuring any perceived or potential areas of weakness are addressed as and when they may arise.

The Board discussed the findings and recommendations from Professor Goffee's report and, whilst confirming that the Board was operating effectively, there were areas identified which could be focused upon to turn a 'good' Board into a 'great' Board. These areas, along with a selection of observations from Directors, which came directly from the Board evaluation process, are set out on page 115.

### **Objectives for the Board**

As part of the output from the 2019 Board evaluation, and in conjunction with Professor Goffee, it was agreed that Board objectives would be discussed, agreed and rolled out during the year, with the aim of focusing attention on certain areas highlighted through this evaluation process. We will address how the Board has performed against those areas highlighted on page 115, and the Board objectives to be agreed during the forthcoming year, in the 2020 Annual Report.

A selection of Director observations made during the 2019 Board evaluation process, along with areas for Board focus for the year ending 31 March 2020 highlighted through this process, are outlined below:

	EFFECTIVE PROCESSES DEMONSTRATED	ONGOING ATTENTION REQUIRED	AREAS OF BOARD FOCUS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2020
Board administration and information	"THE AGENDAS FOR BOARD MEETINGS ARE GENERALLY WELL MANAGED AND THE STRATEGY SESSIONS ARE VERY HELPFUL"  "NOW THAT WE HAVE A BI-WEEKLY UPDATE FROM THE CEO I FEEL MORE INCLUDED IN BETWEEN MEETINGS"	"THE COMPANY IS IMPLEMENTING A NEW MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM WHICH WILL IMPROVE INFORMATION COMING TO THE BOARD AND PRESENT IT IN A MORE MEANINGFUL WAY"	Ongoing regular dissemination of information to the Board outside of the formal Board and Board Committee process, and continued review and improvement of Board information to ensure Directors are receiving the appropriate level of detail.
Strategy	"THE SIX-MONTHLY STRATEGY DAYS ARE VERY USEFUL AND HELP TO KEEP US FOCUSED ON OUR OBJECTIVES"	"SOMETIMES WE STRUGGLE BETWEEN STRATEGIC AND OPERATIONAL ISSUES"	Continued evolution of separate strategic Board sessions to ensure a high-level, long-term strategic focus, whilst maintaining an appropriate overview of short-term operational priorities.
Succession planning	"THE STRATEGY SESSIONS INCLUDE ALL OF THE SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM BELOW BOARD LEVEL. IN ADDITION, LEADERSHIP TEAM MEMBERS PRESENT THEIR OWN PROJECTS TO THE BOARD. THIS HAS WORKED VERY WELL"	"NEED TO CONSTANTLY REVIEW THE BOARD'S EXPERIENCE TO MAKE SURE IT IS RELEVANT FOR THE CHALLENGES THE BUSINESS FACES"	Continued focus on Executive and Non- executive Director succession planning. Ensuring the ongoing visibility and engagement of talent below Board level through the regular presence of Leadership Team members at Board meetings, and ongoing Non-executive Director interaction with the wider workforce.
Governance and Director induction	"I STRONGLY BELIEVE THAT OUR CORPORATE GOVERNANCE IS GOOD. OUR COMPANY SECRETARY AND AUDITORS ARE VERY PROACTIVE IN ENSURING WE STAY ABREAST OF ALL THE ISSUES TO DO WITH GOVERNANCE"	"OUR BUSINESS MODEL AND THE NUMBER OF SCHEMES WE HAVE MEANS THERE IS AN AWFUL LOT TO GET TO GRIPS WITH WHEN YOU ARE NEW TO THE COMPANY"	Development of improved Non-executive Director induction process, and ongoing Board education and development through focused updates and presentations on relevant matters by subject matter experts, and ongoing exposure to significant projects.

# **NOMINATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

THE NEED TO CONTINUALLY REFRESH AND ADAPT THE SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE WE HAVE BOTH AS A BOARD AND AS COMPANY IS ESSENTIAL AS OUR **BUSINESS EVOLVES AND GROWS. WE CONTINUE OUR FOCUS TOWARDS BUILDING A TEAM WITH THE RIGHT** MIX OF SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE TO **EFFECTIVELY IMPLEMENT OUR** STRATEGIC VISION.





Peter Williams Chairman of the Nomination Committee

### Highlights of Committee activities during the 13-month period to 31 March 2019:

- The appointment of Professor Sadie Morgan as a new
- independent Non-executive Director.

  A review of succession planning on the Board and at a senior level throughout the business.
- A review of the structure, size and composition of
- the Board.
  Discussions around aspects of diversity at all levels within the Company, and the property development
- industry in general.

  A review of Director performance and the recommendation to the Board for the re-election of all Directors at the 2019 AGM.
- A review of the new Corporate Governance Code requirements and its implementation within the business. Discussion around the results of Board and
- Committee evaluation process undertaken during the year, including a Board skills matrix and the implementation of Board objectives.

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE		Number of meetings attended/	
	Joined the	meetings	%
Director	Committee	possible	attendance
Peter Williams	04.01.16	3/3	100
Nick Thomlinson	03.01.12	3/3	100
Lynn Krige	14.07.16	3/3	100
Ros Kerslake	01.09.17	3/3	100
Sadie Morgan*	03.04.19	_	_

Sadie Morgan joined the Company on 3 April 2019 and therefore did not attend any meetings of the Committee in the period to 31 March 2019.

### For full biographies see pages 99 to 101.

### **Nomination Committee** composition

The Nomination Committee is comprised of the Chairman and the independent Nonexecutive Directors. The Board considers that each member of the Committee is independent within the definition set out in the UK Governance Code. The table above sets out the attendance of members at the scheduled Committee meetings during the financial period under review.

### **Role of the Nomination** Committee

The Committee is responsible for making recommendations to the Board, within its agreed terms of reference, on appointments to the Board. Our procedure for the appointment of a new Director is fulfilled through an effective search, interview and evaluation process led by an external consultant based upon specific criteria set out by the Committee.

The Committee's role, as set out in its terms of reference. includes:

- Reviewing the structure, size and composition of the Board as a whole:
- Succession planning for Executive Directors and Non-executive Directors, and the roles of the Chairman and Chief Executive;
- Consideration of the balance of skills, knowledge, experience, time commitment and diversity of the Board;

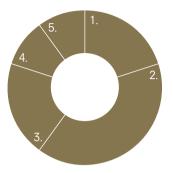
- Recommending suitable candidates for the role of Senior Independent Director;
- Devising descriptions of the role and capabilities required for a particular appointment; and
- Providing recommendations on the composition of both the Audit and Risk and Remuneration Committees, in consultation with the Chairmen of those Committees.

### Activities undertaken by the Committee during the period under review

The Committee meets as and when necessary. The Committee met three times during the 13-month period to 31 March 2019. During this period the Committee addressed the following matters:

- Recommendation made to the Board for the appointment of Professor Sadie Morgan as a new independent Nonexecutive Director;
- Review of the structure, size and composition of the Board and its Committees;
- Succession planning for Executive and Nonexecutive Directors and the Senior Leadership Team;
- Discussions around changes under the new Governance Code;
- Diversity on the Board and throughout the Company;
- Recommendation for the reappointment of all Directors at the 2019 AGM:
- Review of outcomes from the 2019 Board evaluation.

### **Nomination Committee** allocation of time



- 1. Board composition and structure: 20%
- 2. New Non-executive Director appointment: 40%
- 3. Board succession planning: 20% 4. Diversity: **10%**
- 5. Other: 10%

### NEW NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR APPOINTMENT

U+I was pleased to welcome Professor Sadie Morgan to the Board as a new independent Nonexecutive Director with effect from 3 April 2019 The process employed by the Committee in relation to the appointment of Sadie, as set out below, differed to that used for previous Non-executive Director appointments due to the specific requirements identified with regards to this position. In addition to the normal Board and Committee responsibilities of a Non-executive Director this role included three further specific components: 1. PPP Community Challenge Panel Chairman: In 2018, as part of our 'PPP: The Reset' campaign, U+I committed to the establishment of a new panel, chaired by an independent Non-executive Director, which would bring together representatives from the public sector, civic society and other developers with the specific remit of ensuring the Company was abiding by the standards it set itself on all relevant PPP projects.

2. Employee Engagement Panel Chairman: To comply with the

requirements under the new Corporate Governance Code the Company will be enhancing its employee engagement strategy with the introduction of an Workforce Engagement Panel. This panel will include employees from all levels of the business and will report directly to the Board.

**3. Design Panel:** A new Design Panel is to be introduced during the year to ensure that architect selection for U+I projects reflects best in class designers. It will be the responsibility of this panel to navigate the tension between great design architects and architects who specialise in more functional projects. The new Non-executive Director will assist in the formation of this panel.

A candidate matching the specific skillset required was identified, and an independent external search consultant was used to assess this candidate against: i) the specific role requirements; and ii) the candidate's values, culture and fit as a potential U+I Director. Following an in-depth interview between the independent search consultant and the candidate, a report was drafted setting out recommendations to the Committee on the suitability of the candidate to this role.

All Committee members interviewed the proposed candidate to confirm that their skills and experience fit the requirements of the role, and that their values reflected those of the Board and the Company. The Committee subsequently recommended this appointment to the Board. All Directors met with the proposed candidate to assess their suitability to the role and fit within the U+I Board. The Board subsequently discussed and approved the proposed appointment.

### Non-Executive Director Recruitment Process

### Identification of requirement

Following on from the 2018 Board evaluation, the Committee engaged in discussions around the balance of skills, experience, independence and knowledge on the Board. This discussion made specific reference to commitments the Company would make during the forthcoming year. It was agreed that an additional Non-executive Director would be required, with a specific set of skills and experience, to assist in overseeing the implementation of these commitments.

### Preparation of role specification

The Committee prepared a detailed role specification setting out the skills, knowledge and experience required for the role. A candidate with the specific skills and experience to fulfil the additional requirements outlined on this page was identified by the Committee.

### **Engagement of independent consultant**

An independent recruitment consultant was engaged to approach, interview and assess the proposed candidate against the specific role requirements and their fit with U+I values, and subsequently make a recommendation as to the suitability of the identified candidate to the Committee.

### Interviews

The proposed candidate had interviews with the Chairman and Chief Executive, followed by each Board Director to establish their suitability against the specific role requirements; of equal importance was their 'values' and their 'fit' as a Non-executive Director of U+I.

### Recruitment

The Committee considered the consultant's feedback, and feedback from interviews, and made a recommendation for appointment to the Board, which was approved. A formal offer was made and accepted, and Professor Sadie Morgan was appointed as a new Non-executive Director on 3 April 2019.

### **NOMINATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

### **CONTINUED**

It was confirmed that the additional requirements of this role, as set out on page 117, would in no way compromise the independence of the position of Non-executive Director

Ridgeway Partners, an external search consultant, was used during the recruitment process to provide independent, expert advice. Ridgeway Partners is accredited under the enhanced code of conduct for executive search firms, it is also accredited under the Women on Boards code, and one of only three firms to have both the FTSE 350 and smaller company kitemarks; Ridgeway Partners has no other connection with the Company.

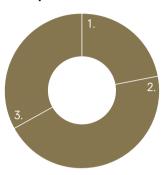
### **New Director induction**

The Chairman, assisted by the Company Secretary, is responsible for the formal induction of all new Directors. Sadie Morgan, who joined the Board on 3 April 2019, is in the process of receiving a full induction, which will include a comprehensive induction pack prepared by the Company Secretary, induction meetings with key Directors and Leadership Team members, and also visits to project sites. Further details of Sadie Morgan's induction process can be found on page 119.

# Directors standing for election or re-election

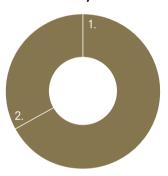
At the Nomination Committee meeting in March 2019 the Committee discussed the re-election of all Directors at the forthcoming 2019 AGM. Following a thorough review, in conjunction with the 2019 Board evaluation carried out by Professor Rob Goffee, an independent expert (as outlined on page 114), the Committee recommended that each Director, being eligible, should be put forward for annual re-election by shareholders. Following the annual performance reviews of individual Directors, the Chairman

# Tenure on the Board as at 21 May 2019



1. Under 3 years: **22%** 2 2. 3–6 years: **45%** 4 3. 6+ years: **33%** 3

### **Board Diversity**



1. Male: **67%** 6 2. Female: **33%** 3

considers that each Director continues to operate as an effective member of the Board, and has the skills, knowledge, experience and time to enable them to discharge their duties effectively.

Upon election, or re-election, Non-executive Directors are invited to serve for three-year fixed terms, subject to annual re-election by shareholders. All Non-executive Directors have confirmed that they have sufficient time to dedicate to their role. The terms of their appointment are available from the Company Secretary.

On the advice of the Committee, the Board will recommend the re-election of each Director to shareholders at the 2019 AGM, in line with provision B.7.1 of the Code. . The Company believes that sufficient biographical details, along with other relevant information, for the Directors seeking annual re-election is provided on pages 99 to 101, in order for shareholders to make an informed decision regarding each Director's re-election.

### **Composition of the Board**

The Committee has reviewed the size, structure and composition of the Board and concluded that, with the addition of Professor Sadie Morgan as an independent Non-executive Director on 3 April 2019, it has the appropriate composition to run as an effective Board. Further detail regarding the composition of the Board can be found on page 104.

### **Diversity**

As part of its role the Committee will review the diversity on the Board. U+I embraces diversity in its broadest sense and recognises the benefits and value this brings both to the Board and to the Company as a whole, in terms of skills, knowledge and experience. The Company has a diversity and equal opportunities policy which prohibits any

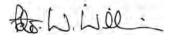
form of discrimination. During the year all employees undertook a mandatory online eLearning course on diversity and equality. The addition of Sadie Morgan to the Board has meant that there is currently one-third female representation on the Board. Details of the gender diversity on the Board, senior management, and across the Company are set out in the Sustainability Report on page 80. The Committee recognises that diversity is more than iust gender based and will continue to focus on addressing the issues around diversity in its wider context within the property industry.

### **Committee effectiveness**

I am pleased to report that the recent Board evaluation process concluded that the Nomination Committee operated effectively and there were no areas of significant concern during the year.

### Areas of focus for 2019

During 2019 the Committee will continue to focus on developing its approach to succession planning for the Board, its Committees and the wider management team, whilst ensuring that the skills and experience on the Board and through the wider workforce are those required to effectively implement the strategy of the Company. The Committee will also consider issues around diversity and the new Governance Code requirements and will consider how effectively these are being addressed by the business.



Peter Williams, Chairman of the Nomination Committee 21 May 2019

### INDUCTION OF PROFESSOR SADIE MORGAN AS AN INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



U+I recognises that new Directors joining the Board will come from a variety of backgrounds, and have varying skills and experience that complement those of the Directors already established on the Board. Taking this into account we believe there should be no rigid induction process for new Directors. Our induction process is tailored according to the specific requirements of each individual Director.

The Chairman, through the Company Secretary, ensures that all new Directors undergo a comprehensive induction programme, with the required support to enable them to understand the requirements of their new role. Notably, this process will assist in their understanding of the history of U+I, the culture and strategy of the business, key projects, the financial position of the Company, and any key issues being addressed by the Board and its Committees at that time.

Sadie Morgan was appointed to the Board as an independent Non-executive Director on 3 April 2019. At the time of writing this report Sadie's induction process was ongoing. As part of this process Sadie has had meetings with the key senior personnel within the Leadership Team to give her a full understanding of U+I's

business, it's projects, and the strategy and culture of the Company. Sadie has also met with a senior member of the finance team to understand the financial reporting requirements of the business. The Company Secretary prepared an extensive briefing pack with key information about the Company, the duties expected of a Director, governance structures and relevant procedures and processes, and led Sadie through this information answering any queries raised.

As part of this process Sadie will be introduced to several of U+I's major projects with visits to 8 Albert Embankment, Landmark Court, Morden Wharf and Mayfield planned in the near future to provide first-hand experience of how the Company operates, and how it is fulfilling its obligations to stakeholders.

Sadie will receive ongoing education and support in her role as a Non-executive Director along with the rest of the Directors on the Board.

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### **Peter Williams**

Chairman of the Nomination Committee

# **ACCOUNTABILITY**

# Risk management and internal control

The Board has overall responsibility for the Group's risk management and internal control systems, and monitors these on an ongoing basis. The risk management and internal control systems put in place are designed to identify, evaluate and mitigate risks while at the same time enabling business objectives to be achieved. Further information on the Company's internal control framework is set out in the Audit and Risk Committee Report on pages 121 to 126.

# Risk Management Committee

The regular process of identifying, evaluating and managing significant corporate risks has been delegated by the Board to the Audit and Risk Committee which, in turn, has delegated responsibility for overseeing the day-to-day risk management of the Company to the Risk Management Committee. The Committee is an Executive Committee and comprises the Leadership Team, the In-house Legal Counsel, and the Company Secretary.

The Committee's principal role, as set out in its terms of reference, includes:

- Advising the Audit and Risk Committee on the Company's risk appetite, tolerance and strategy, taking into account the current and prospective macro-economic and financial environment;
- Reviewing the Company's risk register, including the identification of new risks, continuous assessment, and identification of early warning factors and mitigating actions and controls;

- Reviewing the effectiveness of the Company's internal financial controls, internal controls and risk management systems; and
- management systems; and

  Reviewing the Company's
  procedures for detecting
  fraud and prevention
  of bribery.

# Annual activities of the Risk Management Committee

The Committee meets quarterly during the year, prior to each meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee, to ensure that the Group's risk management procedures are comprehensive and appropriate for the current economic climate, regulatory requirements and business operations.

During the year, the Committee performed a full review of all the risks facing the Company as set out on the risk register. The significant risks facing the Company have been identified and are set out on pages 82 to 85.

At each meeting the Committee reviews those risks with the highest impact and highest likelihood of occurrence, and the actions in place to ensure mitigation of the risks to the fullest extent possible. Those risks with less impact or likelihood of occurring are reviewed on a six-monthly basis. The Committee's remit includes all of the Group's subsidiaries and those joint ventures and associates which are administered by the Company. Risks arising from externally managed joint ventures are managed at the Boards of the joint venture companies. The Committee reports into the Audit and Risk Committee. In addition to the activities of the Risk Management Committee,

a risk evaluation on each significant prospective development, investment or joint venture opportunity is evaluated by the Board. The Executive Directors regularly evaluate the Group's risk-weighted development exposure, which is then considered by the Board. All necessary actions have been, or are being, taken to remedy any perceived weaknesses acknowledged from the quarterly reviews. No significant failings or weaknesses were identified over the 13-month period under review.

# **AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE REPORT**

THE COMMITTEE CONTINUES ITS FOCUS ON THE MANAGEMENT AND MITIGATION OF RISK, THE INTEGRITY OF FINANCIAL REPORTING AND THE INTERNAL CONTROL AND ASSURANCE PROCESSES.



Lynn Krige Chairman of the Audit and Risk Committee

# Highlights of Committee activities during the 13-month

- The change of year-end for U and I Group PLC and all subsidiary companies within the Group from 28 February to 31 March 2019.
- The review and approval of the half-year and the 13-month financial statements for the period to 31 March 2019. An in-depth assessment of the effectiveness of internal

- Overview of the roll-out of a new finance reporting system across the business.
  Review of key risks and risk mitigation through the Risk Management Committee.
- Annual review of internal audit requirements. Oversight of GDPR compliance processes and procedures.
- Review of U+I's approach to the Modern Slavery Act, and approval of the modern slavery statement.

  Review of finance policies and procedures.

  Oversight of the roll-out of a suite of eLearning courses

- for all employees during the period.
  Review of new governance code requirements and legislative developments.

### Dear Shareholder,

As Chairman of the Audit and Risk Committee (the Committee), I am pleased to present the report of the Committee for the financial period ended 31 March 2019.

Over the following pages of this report we aim to share insights into the activities undertaken or overseen by the Committee during the 13-month period to 31 March 2019. There were no significant changes to the Committee's primary functions during the period. The Committee focused the majority of its time overseeing the Company's financial reporting processes, along with the assurance, internal control and risk management frameworks of the Company. Highlights of the Committee's work during the year include:

### Change of year-end

During the period the Company changed its year-end from 28 February to 31 March 2019. The change was made in order to align the Company with stakeholders, its peer group, and industry practice.

### IT and cyber security

The Committee monitored the roll-out of a new financial reporting system during the period to streamline and enhance reporting processes across the business. In addition, cyber security continued to be an area of significant focus for the Committee during the period, for further details see page 123.

The Committee established a working group to ensure the Company's processes and procedures were GDPR compliant ahead of the May 2018 deadline. During the vear work continued around the wider aspects of information security and data protection, and, with assistance from external expertise, this work will continue through 2019 to ensure the Company has robust policies, procedures and the necessary culture in

place with respect to information management and security.

### Financial reporting process

The Committee spent a significant proportion of its time ensuring the integrity of its published financial information and processes, and reviewing significant financial reporting judgements. This included providing advice to the Board on the appropriateness of the Going Concern and Viability Statements. In this report we explain what judgements the Committee considered to be significant. See page 124 for further information.

### Risk management

U+I's risk profile and appetite continued to evolve during the period, taking into account the ongoing uncertainty of the political and economic climate. The Risk Management Committee reviews U+I's risk register at each meeting, reporting into the Committee. This forms the basis of the Committee's risk assessment and subsequent mitigation. Information on the principal risks of the Company can be found on pages 82 to 85.

### Internal controls

The Committee monitors the adequacy and effectiveness of the Group's internal control processes. During the year one meeting is dedicated to reviewing the internal control processes, see pages 125 and 126 for further information.

### Internal audit

The Committee reviewed the Company's requirements with respect to internal audit during the year. It concluded that, in line with its peer group, a dedicated internal audit function was not required. Further information can be found on page 126.

### Modern slavery

During the year the Committee reviewed the Company's approach to modern slavery and made recommendations to the Board. For more information see page 126.

# Fair, balanced and understandable

The Committee, at the Board's request, reviewed the Annual Report and Accounts and confirmed that these were fair, balanced and understandable. More information on this can be found on page 125.

### Committee evaluation

As part of the 2019 Board and Committee annual evaluation process the role and effectiveness of the Audit and Risk Committee was considered. I am pleased to report that the feedback received relating to the Committee was positive. The Committee continued to operate to a high standard and was effective in its support to the Board during the period.

### New Corporate Governance Code provision:

The new UK Corporate Governance Code states that 'The board should establish an audit committee of independent directors, with a minimum membership of three directors, or in the case of smaller companies, two. The chair of the Board should not be a member'. In accordance with this new requirement Peter Williams, the Chairman of the Board. voluntarily stepped down as a member of the Audit and Risk Committee with effect from 29 March 2019.

Further information on these and other key areas considered by the Committee during the 13-month period to 31 March 2019 can be found within this report.

Lynn Krige, Chairman of the Audit and Risk Committee 21 May 2019

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE		Number of meetings attended/	
	Joined the	meetings	%
Director	Committee	possible	attendance
Lynn Krige	10.03.16	4/4	100
Nick Thomlinson	03.01.12	4/4	100
Peter Williams*	04.01.16	4/4	100
Ros Kerslake	01.09.17	4/4	100

\* In accordance with the requirements of the new Corporate Governance Code Peter Williams stepped down from the Committee with effect 29 March 2019.

# Full biographies of the Committee members can be found on page 100.

# Audit and Risk Committee composition

The table above sets out the composition of the Committee and the attendance of members at the scheduled Committee meetings during the 13-month period under review. The Committee currently consists of three independent Non-executive Directors following Peter Williams stepping down from the Committee on 29 March 2019.

# Role of the Audit and Risk Committee

The Committee plays a crucial role in assisting the Board to discharge its responsibilities for the management of business risk by monitoring, reviewing and challenging the effectiveness and integrity of the Group's financial reporting and audit process, and the development and maintenance of a robust system of risk management and internal control.

The Board has determined that Lynn Krige is a qualified accountant with considerable experience, and has significant recent and relevant financial experience for the purposes of the Code. In addition, Nick Thomlinson and Ros Kerslake have significant property sector experience. The Company's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Development Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Financial Controller and In-house Legal Counsel attend the Committee meetings by invitation, as do Peter Williams and Barry Bennett, who are also

chartered accountants. To help the Committee review and challenge the integrity of the Company's financial reporting, representatives from the external auditors attend appropriate parts of the meetings on invitation from the Chairman.

The Committee's principal responsibilities during the period under review fall under the following categories:

### Financial reporting

- Review of significant financial reporting judgements and accounting policies, and compliance with accounting standards.
- Ensuring the quality, appropriateness and integrity of the half year and full year financial statements and their compliance with statutory requirements.
- Ensuring that the Annual Report is fair, balanced and understandable, along with consideration of the underlying assumptions presented in support of the Going Concern and Viability Statements and recommending their approval to the Board.

### Risk management

 On behalf of the Board, and in conjunction with the Risk Management Committee, establishing the risk appetite of the Company, along with a review of the risk register and risk mitigation procedures.

### Internal controls

- Monitoring the effectiveness of the Company's internal controls and compliance process.
- Review of delegated authorities and sign-off procedures.
- Review of key internal control policies.

### Fraud and whistleblowing

- Review of procedures in place to prevent fraudulent behaviour and enable whistleblowing.
- If required, receive reports on fraudulent incidents and ensure an appropriate investigation is undertaken where required.

### External audit

- Monitoring and reviewing the independence and performance of the external auditors and evaluating their effectiveness.
- Making recommendations for the appointment and re-appointment of the external auditors and approval of audit fees.

### Internal audit

- Monitoring the requirement for an internal audit function and making subsequent Board recommendations.
- Agreeing internal audit plans where necessary.

# External and internal property valuation

 Assessing the quality and appropriateness of the half year and full year external and internal valuations of the Group's property portfolio, together with an assessment of the methodology applied.

### Significant financial matters

 During the year the Committee considered the appropriateness of significant financial matters made in connection with the financial statements as set out on page 124.

## Committee activities during the 13-month period to 31 March 2019

The Committee met four times during the period ended 31 March 2019. Committee meetings are timed to coincide with the key responsibilities of the Committee during the year. As is standard each year, two of the meetings take place prior to the issue of the preliminary full-year and interim results, to review audit recommendations and to consider any significant issues arising from the audit and review process. A further meeting is held to agree the external audit terms of engagement, the auditors' scope and proposed approach, and the fees of the annual audit. One Committee meeting during the year is dedicated to reviewing the internal controls of the Company. The Committee also reviews the performance of the external auditors.

The Committee reviewed the following items during the period and, where required, made recommendations to the Board:

- April 2018: Year-end financial statements and Annual Report, Viability and Going Concern Statements, risk appetite and review of key risks, significant project risks, significant areas of iudgement, external auditors' report, external property valuations, GDPR update, cyber-security update, non-audit fees, evaluation of U+I management's and external auditors' effectiveness with regard to the audit process, and recommended the reappointment of the external auditors to the Board.
- October 2018: External auditors' interim report, interim results and financial statements, internal and external portfolio valuations, significant issues and areas of judgement, risk management, review of changes to tax legislation.

- December 2018: Learning and development session with presentations on key Brexit developments and new corporate governance requirements by external experts, review of interim accounts process and lessons learnt, update on new finance system roll-out, 2019 external audit planning, risk management appetite and review of key risks, and review of non-audit fees.
- January 2019: Full review of internal controls and control processes, risk assessment review including deep dive into specific key risks, whistleblowing policy review, review of requirement for internal audit, review of delegated authorities and a review of audit fees.

## New financial reporting system

During the year, the
Committee approved a
proposal by the Chief
Financial Officer to undertake
a review of the finance
system, processes and
business reporting to
determine and resolve any
gaps in functionality and
internal controls. Whilst the
review was positive around
the controls environment, it
highlighted a need to improve
process automation and
reporting.

The current system was reviewed alongside other market leaders, and the Committee approved a recommendation to implement a new 'Tier 1' solution. The implementation project commenced in August 2018, and the roll-out is currently underway. The project's objectives are to implement tighter financial controls across areas of the business such as procurement, reporting, tax and cash collection, and is taking a two-phase approach. Phase I is providing as minimum like-for-like functionality,

controls and reporting, whilst adding new functionality such as a procurement system. Phase II will deliver improvements in processes and reporting to facilitate greater controls and improvements in management information and the use of data around the business.

#### GDPR

With GDPR taking effect from May 2018, the Committee provided oversight over the Company's approach to data protection matters in anticipation of this deadline. A GDPR project team was established reporting into the Risk Management Committee. This team was supported by an independent data protection expert. As part of the preparation for the implementation of GDPR all employees were required to undergo specific online GDPR training, more in-depth training was focused on specific areas of the business. In addition to this training, data protection policies and processes were reviewed and updated.

Subsequent to the implementation of GDPR, a working group continues to monitor and review wider aspects around GDPR and information management security to minimise the ongoing risks associated with this area.

#### Cyber security

Cyber security, and the potential threat of business disruption through cyber security issues, continued to be an ongoing high priority for the Committee. During 2018 an external expert in cyber security gave an in-depth briefing on developments within the cyber security field to the Committee. In addition to the ongoing work around GDPR, the Committee is currently overseeing a review of the Company's online controls and information security to ensure information held on the Company's systems is protected to the fullest

extent possible. Cyber risk is reviewed at each meeting of the Risk Management Committee along with relevant controls and mitigating actions. The Company continues to review its hardware and software systems, in addition to the ongoing education of its employees, to ensure all cyber threats are minimised to the fullest extent possible.

#### eLearning

As part of the Company's ongoing commitment to best practice, and to provide our employees with the necessary skills to perform their roles to the best of their abilities, whilst minimising risk, the Committee oversaw the roll-out of a full suite of mandatory eLearning courses for all employees during the 13-month period to 31 March 2019. Individual courses were rolled out on a monthly basis during 2018 covering the following key risk areas:

- Anti-money laundering and counter-terrorist financing;
- Information security and cyber risk awareness;
- Modern slavery;
- General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR);
- Anti-bribery and anticorruption;
- Preventing financial crime;
- Health and Safety; and
- The Equality Act 2010.

All new employees to the Company are required to complete the above eLearning courses prior to the end of their probationary period.

#### **Internal Audit**

The Committee considered the Company's internal audit requirements during the period under review. It was concluded that, in line with the Company's peer group, and after consultation with the external auditor, a permanent internal audit function, or an outsourced function, was not required by the Company. Further details of this can be found on page 126.

#### **AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE REPORT**

#### CONTINUED

#### Risk management

The Committee has the responsibility for overseeing the risk management process for the Company on behalf of the Board. This entails reviewing the risk profile, risk appetite, the principal risks and the effectiveness of the risk mitigation processes. The Committee delegates the day-to-day management of risk throughout the business to the Risk Management Committee (see page 120), which reports into the Committee. The Committee reviews the key risks of the Company, the risk register, and the risk mitigation processes in place.

A full review of the effectiveness of the risk management and risk mitigation processes was carried out by the Risk Management Committee during the 13-month period to 31 March 2019, at the request of the Committee. This included ongoing assessment of the principal risks facing the Company, including those that would threaten its business model, future performance, solvency or liquidity. The results of this review, and any subsequent changes to the risk register, were approved by the Committee. The significant risks facing the Company are set out on pages 82 to 85.

The Committee dedicates its meeting in January to a full review of the internal control processes and procedures in place within the Group. At the meeting in January 2019 the Committee analysed the internal control structure. delegated authorities throughout the Group, and the major business processes covering areas such as operations, borrowings, cash management, accounting and reporting, statutory compliance and employment.

Other areas of review overseen by the Committee included IT, cyber security, corporate structure, gifts and entertainment, organisational design and whistleblowing.

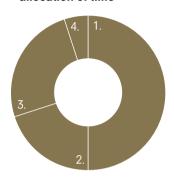
## Significant issues considered by the Committee in relation to the Company's financial statements

Ensuring the integrity of the financial statements is fundamental to the Committee's remit. In preparing the accounts there are a number of areas requiring the exercise by management of particular judgement or a high degree of estimation. The Committee's role is to assess whether the judgements and estimates made by management are reasonable and appropriate. Set out below are what we consider to be the most significant accounting areas which required the exercise of judgement or a high degree of estimation during the year. together with details of how we addressed these.

- Construction risk: The Committee considered developments under construction both on balance sheet and in joint ventures, the recoverability of work in progress and the associated construction risks. The Committee challenged management in respect of the assumptions made relating to the completion of all material developments, including the ability of contractors to deliver the completed buildings, the likely financial outcome of each development, and the recoverability of all work in progress on balance sheet. In particular, consideration was given to the provision made against the carrying value of St Mark's Square, Bromley, and the methodology for arriving at that number to ensure that the remaining work in progress could be reasonably assessed to be recoverable. As a result the Committee concluded that the assets were appropriately recognised in the Group's financial statements.
- Direct property investments, the development and trading portfolios and the valuation of the investment properties: The Committee challenged executive management in respect of both independent external valuations and Directors' valuations across the entire property portfolio. In addition, the Committee challenged the external auditors in respect of the work they had conducted in connection with the internal and external valuations. The Committee was satisfied that there were no significant areas of contention and that the valuation procedures and methodologies used and the valuations themselves were appropriate. In respect of impairment charges recognised, the Committee was satisfied that, where applicable, the written down values reflected the net realisable value of the assets.
- Indirect property investments, accounting for investments in property secured loans and recoverability of financial assets: The Committee again discussed with executive management the valuation and recoverability of these assets along with the external auditors as to the work they had conducted. Ás a result, the Committee concluded that the assets were appropriately recognised in the Group's financial statements.
- Other reporting matters: The Committee considered the internal controls environment, management oversight of indirect property investments, and accounting and regulatory developments.

The Committee met without Executive Directors present during the year, and Lynn Krige, as Chairman of the Committee, met separately with the external auditors, PwC.

## Audit and Risk Committee – allocation of time



Financial matters: 50%
 Risk management: 20%
 Internal controls: 25%
 Governance: 5%

## FRC review of 2018 Annual Report

During the period, the Group received a letter from the Financial Reporting Council confirming that the 2018 Annual Report had been subject to a review by its conduct committee responsible for promoting high quality corporate reporting, and ensuring compliance with relevant accounting and reporting requirements and rules. Their review of the Annual Report for the financial year ended 28 February 2018, was not intended to provide assurance that the Annual Report was correct in all material respects, as its purpose is not to verify the information provided, but to consider compliance with reporting requirements. Questions were raised in relation to restricted cash, working capital and fees and distributions from joint ventures, and adjustments have been made to the financial statements in response. All enquiries are now closed, and the review process is complete.

#### Fair, balanced and understandable

At the request of the Board, the Committee has considered whether, in its opinion, the 2019 Annual Report and Financial Statements are fair, balanced and understandable, and whether they provide the information necessary for shareholders to assess the Company's position and performance, business model and strategy. The Committee reflected on the information it had received and discussions during the year, and in particular considered the following questions:

F	AIR	BALANCED	UNDERSTANDABLE
	Is the narrative reporting on the business performance in the Strategic Report consistent with the financial statements, and are key messages being reflected?	<ul> <li>Does the reporting give a balanced view of the performance including recognition of significant failures, or matters that had required considerable attention, as well as the successes?</li> </ul>	- Would a reader of the accounts have, on balance, a similar view of the Company as someone who is intimately involved with the Company?
_	Are any sensitive details being omitted, and does the Annual Report present the whole story?	Does the reporting identify and give appropriate weight to any significant risks or issues the business faces in future, and has due weight been given to the most important financial measures and information?	— Is the framework of the report clear and understandable?
_	Is there anything of which the Board is aware that will (or could) emerge in future that would surprise the reader of the accounts?	<ul> <li>Is a consistent message being presented throughout the report, and is the writing too optimistic, or alternatively overtly negative?</li> </ul>	Are the important     messages highlighted     appropriately     throughout the     document?

The Board requested that the Committee provide advice with regards to the above questions and, with this in mind, the Committee considered management's analysis and were content to recommend to the Board that the Annual Report taken as a whole was fair, balanced and understandable, and provided the necessary information for shareholders to assess the Company's position and performance, business model and strategy. The Board's statement to this effect is set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities on page 156.

#### Viability Statement

The Committee has assessed whether five years continues to be an appropriate timeframe over which to make the Viability Statement. It was concluded that the current five-year assessment period remains appropriate and this was reviewed and adopted by the Board. The Viability Statement and our approach to assessing long-term viability can be found on page 86.

#### Non-audit services

U+I's Non-Audit Services Policy was adhered to throughout the year, providing additional control measures around the instruction of the auditors to undertake non-audit work. The policy requires that all non-audit fee work be reported to the Committee, and that all non-audit fee work falling into certain categories and above certain thresholds be reported prior to the work being undertaken as detailed below:

- Under £25,000: Approval is pre-approved by the Committee. Approval is required by the Chief Financial Officer, or the Chief Executive in his absence.
- In excess of £25,000 and up to £100,000: Approval required by the Chief Financial Officer and the Chairman of the Committee.
- In excess of £100,000:
   Approval required from the full Committee.

In addition, the policy prohibits the auditors from being considered for providing the following services: internal audit; bookkeeping services; and the design and implementation of financial information systems.

## Reappointment of PwC as external auditor

PwC was reappointed as the Company's external auditor in 2018 following a full tender process led by the Committee. PwC have been the Company's auditors since 2008. The Committee has undertaken a review of PwC's performance every year since appointment. The Committee reviewed PwC's performance in relation to the audit for the 13-month period ended 31 March 2019. It sought the views of key members of the Finance Team, and concluded that PwC had performed well, provided an appropriate and robust level of challenge, and continued to be effective. In accordance with professional and regulatory standards, the lead audit partner is rotated at least every five years in order to protect audit independence and objectivity. Sandra Dowling was the lead audit partner for the financial period under review; this was Sandra's first year as lead audit partner for the Company.

Following the Committee's review of the effectiveness of the external audit process, and its assessment of the external auditor's independence and objectivity, it has recommended the reappointment of PwC as the Group's external auditor to the Board for recommendation to, and approval by, shareholders at the 2019 Annual General Meeting.

#### Internal control

The Directors acknowledge their responsibility for reviewing the effectiveness of the Group's system of internal controls to safeguard shareholders' investments and protect the Company's assets. The Directors acknowledge that they are responsible for determining the nature and extent of the principal risks the Company is willing to take in achieving its strategic objectives. The operational, financial and compliance risk controls are designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives, and can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

#### **AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE REPORT**

#### CONTINUED

The Board, through the Committee and the Risk Management Committee, has conducted a thorough and robust risk assessment of the business, identifying principal risks, their potential impact, likelihood of occurrence, controls and mitigating actions, together with early warning systems and any further actions which need to be implemented.

Detailed below is a description of the Group's internal control and risk management framework used in the process of preparing the Consolidated financial statements. The key features of U+I's system of internal control include:

- A comprehensive system of financial reporting and business planning with appropriate sensitivity analysis;
- A detailed authorisation process which ensures that no material commitments are entered into without competent and extensive approval;
- A defined schedule of matters reserved for the Board, and clearly defined roles of the Chairman and Chief Executive;
- An organisational structure with clearly defined levels of authority;
- Formal documentation of procedures:
- The close involvement of the Executive Directors in all aspects of the day-today operations, including regular meetings with senior management to review all operational aspects of the business and risk management systems:
- A review of the Group strategy and progress on developments at each scheduled Board meeting;
- A comprehensive insurance programme; and
- A formal whistleblowing policy.

#### Internal audit

A full review of the Company's requirements for an internal audit function was undertaken by the Chief Financial Officer in conjunction with the Committee Chairman in 2016. At this time it was agreed that the outsourced internal audit function should be stood down. In taking this decision, the Committee took into account the size and complexity of the business; it also sought the advice of the external auditors and conducted a review of internal audit functions within its peer group. The Committee agreed that it did not consider a permanent internal audit function, either in-house or outsourced, was required.

At the Audit and Risk Committee meeting held in January 2019 the Committee reviewed the requirement for an internal audit function and came to the conclusion that the function was not required at this time for the same reasons discussed in 2016. It was confirmed that a mechanism was in place whereby any areas that may need additional review and focus, as circumstances and the nature of risks change, would be adequately covered. Any such review would be carried out using experienced staff or external advisors. The Committee will continue to review the requirement for an internal audit function on an annual basis.

The Board has conducted a review of the effectiveness of the systems of internal control for the 13-month period ended 31 March 2019, and to the date of this report, and considers that there is a sound system of internal control which accords with the FRC's Guidance on Risk Management, Internal Control and Related Financial and Business Reporting.

The Board is satisfied that there is an ongoing process for identifying, evaluating and managing the Group's principal risks, including financial, operational and compliance controls, and that it is regularly reviewed.

#### **Modern Slavery Act 2015**

U+I recognises the importance of the Modern Slavery Act 2015, and is fully committed to ensuring that human trafficking and slavery play no part in any activities carried out by the Group or its supply chain. During the vear a revised modern slavery statement was discussed and approved by the Board, you can find this on our website at uandiplc.com/investors/ corporate-governance. All employees have completed an online modern slavery eLearning course and are fully aware of the Company's attitude and their personal responsibilities towards such matters.

As U+I is not a direct employer of sub-contracted individuals on our development projects, there is no onus on us to conduct a right to work check. However, we believe there are good reasons for establishing that a check has been conducted. as failure to do so can cause disruption to business operations, reputational damage, possible invalidations of insurances, as well as concerns about whether those workers have the requisite skills and knowledge. In 2019, U+I will therefore be incorporating into all future build contracts an obligation, beyond our current legal obligation, that our main contractors check the right to work status of all site employees using the approach outlined on the Governments' Home Office website.

#### Going concern

The Directors have reviewed the current and projected financial position of the Group, making reasonable assumptions about future trading performance. The key areas of sensitivity are:

- Receipt, amount and timings of development profits;
- Timing and value of property sales;
- Availability of loan finance and related cash flows;
- Committed future expenditure;
- Future property valuations and their impact on covenants and potential loan repayments;
- Committed future expenditure; and
- Future rental income.

The forecast cash flows have been sensitised to reflect those cash flows which are less certain, and to take account of a potential deterioration of property valuations. In addition, the forecasts have been subject to sensitivity analysis, in which the impact of significant reductions to the property portfolio fair value and associated rental income on the Group's loan covenants was assessed. From their review, the Directors believe that the Group has adequate resources to continue to be operational as a going concern for at least 12 months and therefore have adopted the going concern basis in preparing the Group's 2019 financial statements.

Lynn Krige, Chairman of the Audit and Risk Committee 21 May 2019

# RELATIONS WITH SHAREHOLDERS AND STAKEHOLDERS

Our approach

As we have set out throughout this Report, at U+I we recognise the importance of building relationships and strong, mutually beneficial partnerships with our stakeholders based on trust and a reputation for getting things done. At the heart of everything we do is continuous, proactive engagement using the wide variety of channels outlined on these pages. Our relationships are underpinned by our three core values, imagination, intelligence and audacity, and our purpose that through truly transformational regeneration, and the making of great places, we can unlock untapped potential creating positive change for the benefit of all. We consider each project with our heads, to ensure it will deliver sustainable returns for our shareholders, and with our hearts, to evaluate how we can create long-term socio-economic benefits for the communities in which we work. This collaborative approach, which is demonstrated on pages 127 to 129, drives us to continue to challenge ourselves to deliver great places, and has seen us achieve a huge amount in the three years since we became U+I.

#### Why we engage

As a young, dynamic, market and thought-leading property regeneration and development business we are continually striving to improve, and to challenge ourselves as to how we can better fulfil our purpose. We can only do this by approaching everything we do with a socially responsible and sustainable focus. Listening to the experiences, ideas, requirements and concerns of our different stakeholders will enable us to deliver projects that improve the local environment and strengthen communities that we serve. Engaging with stakeholders is key to this process, the feedback we receive forms part of our Board and wider strategic discussions, as we focus on running a business that benefits all of our stakeholders for the long term.

#### **OUR PEOPLE**

We strongly believe that our people are our greatest asset, and ensuring a 'People First' approach is one of our key strategic priorities. Finding and working with intelligent, talented, entrepreneurial and creative people is essential to our continued success as a business. In return, our employees expect to be part of a great business they can be proud to work for.

## How we engage with our employees

Continuous open and honest communication along with engaging, interactive events, and the correct reward structure to create a collaborative, inclusive culture and a positive working environment:

- Roll-out of an new, annual all-employee engagement survey to encourage engagement and improve business practices.
- Focus on talent development throughout the business with the roll-out of new talent strategy.
- Ongoing 'Working Smarter' initiative encompassing all areas of the business, including reconfiguration of office layout to encourage collaboration and knowledge sharing.
- An all-employee LTIP programme to encourage ownership, inclusiveness and strengthen a common sense of purpose.
- Appointment of new Board and Leadership Team members to strengthen expertise and experience.
- Monthly all-employee townhall meetings to disseminate information, engage our employees, and encourage greater collaboration, innovation and entrepreneurial spirit.

- Company-wide intranet to keep employees updated on key activities.
- A weekly Company-wide newsletter to ensure all employees are aware of work and social developments to encourage inclusiveness.
- All Non-executive
   Directors hosted open
   lunches where employees
   were able to benefit from
   their experiences and
   ask questions about
   lessons learnt throughout
   their careers.
- Relevant incentive programmes to reward talent, including project related incentives, wellbeing and gym memberships.
- A suite of all-employee eLearning courses rolled out on new and evolving governance and legislatory requirements.

#### Working for U+I



Working for U+I is about being part of an inspiring culture where talent is nurtured, and creativity is encouraged, as we build a team who share a passion and commitment for changing people's lives for the better, creating communities and legacies which we can all be proud of.

## RELATIONS WITH SHAREHOLDERS AND STAKEHOLDERS

**CONTINUED** 

#### SHAREHOLDERS

Our shareholders expect accurate, honest disclosure and the delivery of sustainable long-term returns.

### How we engage with our shareholders

Ongoing and regular engagement and conversations with investors through meetings, calls, feedback loops, market announcements, site visits, the AGM and social media:

- Comprehensive investor relations programme including regular engagement through calls and meetings with institutional investors who, in aggregate, held over 80% of the issued share capital of the Company, on strategy, remuneration and corporate governance matters.
- Launch of our new website with enhanced investor relations section to engage shareholders by offering greater clarity around U+I, our strategy, values, projects and approach. This includes shareholder feedback mechanisms.
- Investor site visits, including Mayfield (Manchester), Preston Barracks and Circus Street (Brighton), to demonstrate the scale and potential of our projects, and our distinctive approach.

- Bi-annual investor and analyst feedback through third-party advisors.
- Boundary redefining industry thought leadership events held in our offices through our 'U+I Think' programme, and through our 'Matter' publication (see right).
- Regular news flow distribution through press releases and RNS announcements to demonstrate that the Company is executing against predefined business strategy.
- Clearly defined financial KPIs for which management can be held accountable.
- Presentations made by Executive Directors to analysts, shareholders and the media, following the release of the preliminary and interim results.
- Face-to-face engagement with private shareholders during the AGM.
- Detailed investor relations report tabled at each Board meeting giving an up-todate perspective on the investment market, changes to the shareholder register and key sector news.
- Award-winning Annual Report and Accounts to give further background on strategy, business model, outputs and project performance.

#### Matter



#### Redefining our sector through ground breaking thought leadership

Matter is our innovative. sector redefining, thought leadership publication, which reflects the ideas, concepts and values of U+I and highlights some of the themes and ongoing discussions that you might well hear were you to walk into one of our offices. Matter is designed to be challenging and engaging, and above all thought provoking. This is just one example of how U+I is looking to change the long-held stereotypes and perceptions within this industry by looking at and doing things differently.

To download your copy of Matter go to: matter.uandiplc.com

#### COMMUNITIES

U+I believes in the creation of positive change through unlocking the untapped potential of communities, creating great places to live and work, whilst preserving the unique heritage and identity of the sites we regenerate. Our purpose is to deliver positive long-term, socio-economic benefits by creating sustainable, thriving communities for the benefit of all.

## How we engage with communities

We build strong and lasting relationships within the communities we operate. This is key to our continued success as a business. We do this through:

- Collaboration with local communities and stakeholders from the outset of our projects to ensure engagement and the cultivation of a shared vision, focusing on the turning of derelict, unloved spaces into thriving mixed-use areas that transform cities, boost tourism and create jobs.
- Extensive consultations to discuss the needs of the different local stakeholders to create lasting relationships built around trust and accountability.

- Whilst these discussions are ongoing we open up our sites for 'Worthwhile Use' projects, providing free/low-cost office, events and arts spaces for local communities and fledgling businesses seeking to grow (see Dirt Factory, Manchester below).
- A brand recognition benchmarking review within the communities in which we operate was carried out during the year.
- Regular forums and events to engage communities throughout the planning/ consultation process to ensure the delivery of necessary amenities to support modern flexible working and living.

- Alignment with our chosen charity, Shelter. See page 80 for further details.
- Investment in fledgling start-up businesses in our regeneration sites through our Plus X business to encourage entrepreneurship, innovation, growth and productivity in local communities.
- Working alongside local suppliers on our projects to create new jobs, grow productivity and stimulate the economy.
- Including the environment and sustainability in our template so all our projects consider the carbon, energy, water and waste impacts on communities.

#### **Dirt Factory, Mayfield**



## Leading the way in community engagement

Whilst more traditional developers may choose to close off a development site whilst awaiting the conclusion of the, sometimes lengthy, planning process, at U+I we take pride in doing things differently. We open up our sites and engage with communities to enable us to better understand the experiences, hopes and concerns of the local people.

Using our 'Worthwhile Use' philosophy we embrace the community by providing free or low-cost office, events and arts spaces. An example of this can be seen at our site in Mayfield, Manchester, where we have opened up our site to a variety of businesses, including creating the UK's first indoor mountain biking centre, to provide an inclusive space for the entire community to enjoy.

#### **OUR PARTNERS**

Our partners expect U+I to live up to our reputation and our promises by providing a professional, collaborative and innovative approach along with the high-quality execution of our projects and a continued track record of strong delivery.

## How we engage with our partners

A continuous flow of calls, meetings and site visits amongst all parties involved in a project, to foster alignment and ensure projects are delivered to the highest standard:

- Regular collaboration and partnerships with local authorities, governments, councils and MPs through existing, mixed-use regeneration projects, to help effect change in communities and support their agendas to increase office and housing capacity and stimulate local economies.
- Working with architects, funders, local residents and fledgling start-ups, amongst others, to engage untapped potential and deliver ambitious projects.
- Reputation benchmarking exercise with 75 in-depth phone interviews with senior partners in the public and private sector to understand how the U+I brand was perceived.
- Wide-ranging engagement of stakeholders for our 'PPP: The Reset' campaign and the subsequent establishment of an independent PPP Community Challenge Panel to ensure U+I and our schemes are delivering on our promises (see right).
- Ongoing and regular discussions with partners throughout our project programmes and beyond to encourage open and honest feedback and areas for improvement.

- U+I 'Think' events to challenge the status quo and promote innovation within the real estate sector with panels of thought leaders and change makers.
- Nurturing strong relationships and delivering on other key projects to build trusting and complementary relationships.
- Partnership with our chosen Company charity Shelter, allowing employees to hold events and raise money, which was then matched by the Company, raising over £30,000 in the 13-month period to 31 March 2019.

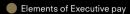
#### **PPP: The Reset**



## Following through on the delivery of our promises to our partners

During 2018, we confirmed our commitment to industry redefining, good governance practice, through increased transparency and accountability with regards to delivering on the promises we make during our stakeholder engagement process at the outset of our major PPP projects. Following our 'PPP: The Reset' campaign, a PPP Community Challenge Panel chaired by an independent Non-executive Director, and reporting directly to the Board, is being created which will hold the Company to account on those promises made.

# CONNECTING REMUNERATION AND PERFORMANCE



What we have achieved in the period ended 31 March 2019

## Securing of new PPP project and trading deals

Major new project win representing successful realisation of our 'fewer and larger' project strategy, along with three new short-term opportunities being secured.

#### Engagement with analysts, shareholders and potential investors

Increased engagement with analysts, shareholders and potential investors, including integration of new broking team into the IR process leading to improved coverage.

### Repositioning of the Investment Portfolio

Progress made on repositioning of the Investment Portfolio with new acquisitions in Bournemouth, Clacton-On-Sea and Finchley, as well as a key asset disposal.

#### Brand and reputation

The roll-out of a brand reputation benchmarking exercise amongst key public and private stakeholders to understand the perception of the U+I brand, and the Company strategy, with our partners.

#### SHAREHOLDING GUIDELINES

BENEFITS

DELIVERED DEVELOPMENT AND TRADING GAINS OF £42.8M

Focus on key project funding strategy 'Project Ruby' during the year. Significant progress made, and exposure to potential funders obtained, with the project to continue throughout 2019/20.

Key project funding

strategy

#### Public affairs programme

Increase in our public affairs activity including a number of high-profile speaking engagements, the launch of our 'PPP: The Reset' campaign, and the creation of a new PPP Community Challenge Panel.

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#### LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN

Financing
Successful negotiation of a
£19.7 million loan facility with
Barclays, providing increased
flexibility and greater security
to the Company's funding
requirements.

#### Operating model

Completion of the first stage of our 'Working Smarter' initiative, including the review and refinement of the Company's 'factory floor' and further changes to organisational structure to deliver a refined process.

#### Talent management

RETIREMENT BENEFITS

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A 'People First'
approach, with the
strengthening of the Board
and Leadership Team with key
new hires, and the roll-out of
a new talent management
strategy to allow all
employees to reach their
full potential.

#### Cost savings

Delivery of cost savings through a decrease in the net recurring overhead, and the identification of further overhead savings to be targeted over the next financial year.

## ANNUAL STATEMENT FROM THE REMUNERATION **COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN**

THE COMMITTEE CONTINUES ITS FOCUS ON ALIGNING THE REMUNERATION FRAMEWORK WITH THE STRATEGIC **OBJECTIVES OF THE BUSINESS AND THE CREATION OF SHAREHOLDER VALUE OVER** THE LONG TERM

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#### Nick Thomlinson Chairman of the Remuneration Committee

## Highlights of Committee activities during the 13-month period to 31 March 2019:

- No salary increases for the financial year beginning 1 April 2019, the fourth consecutive year that salaries
- have not increased.
  Early adoption of remuneration provisions set out in the revised UK Corporate Governance Code.
  Incentive framework heavily weighted towards long-term
- performance. Awards under the LTIP subject to an extended holding period introduced the previous year. 91% approval of our 2018 Remuneration Report
- by Shareholders.

#### Dear Shareholder

As Chairman of the Remuneration Committee I am pleased to present our Directors' Remuneration Report for the 13-month financial period ended 31 March 2019.

#### Implementation of Policy for 2019/20

We are not making any changes to the operation of our Policy for 2019/20. Executive Directors' salaries are not being increased for the fourth consecutive year. Awards under our Long-Term Incentive Plan (LTIP) will continue to be based on three-year and four-year NAV growth and will be subject to the extended holding period introduced last year.

#### **Disclosure**

In the interests of succinct and clear disclosure we have introduced a 'remuneration at a glance' section which immediately follows this letter. This section provides details of the Company's performance against relevant KPIs, as well as a summary of our Remuneration Policy and its implementation in the financial periods ending 31 March 2019 and 31 March 2020.

#### Remuneration out-turns for 2018/19

Our incentive framework for **Executive Directors continues** to be heavily weighted towards the LTIP rather than the annual bonus.

In terms of annual bonus out-turn, taking into account performance for the year, the Executive Directors received payments ranging from 20% to 23% of salary. This reflected good progress against individual strategic objectives, and moderate performance against our stretching financial objectives. Further detail on bonus payments and performance for the year are set out on pages 138 to 140.

Our LTIP performance is measured 50% over three years and 50% over four years. LTIP vesting for the period ended 31 March 2019 therefore reflects 50% of the award made in 2015 (which achieved vesting of 22.6%) and 50% of the award made in 2016 (which did not achieve the threshold vesting of 5% per annum, and therefore lapsed).

#### Remuneration governance developments

The last year has seen a number of important developments in corporate governance and investor expectations, including the publication of the updated UK Corporate Governance Code. The Committee welcomes the new Code and is pleased to report that the Company's remuneration policies and practices already comply with a number of its provisions. For example we introduced holding periods on the LTIP two years ago, which extend the overall time horizon of the LTIP to five years. We will be undertaking a full review against the new Code as part of our Policy review during 2019.

The Committee was pleased that our Directors' Remuneration Report received the support of 91% of our shareholders at the 2018 AGM and we look forward to your continued support at the forthcoming AGM.

Nick Thomlinson,

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Chairman of the Remuneration Committee 21 May 2019

## REMUNERATION AT A GLANCE

**Remuneration Policy** 

Prior to the 2017 AGM, the Company engaged with shareholders representing over 70% of the issued share capital of the Company. The Remuneration Policy was presented and approved by 95% of those shareholders voting at the 2017 AGM. This policy will operate for three years until the 2020 AGM.

The key objectives of the Company's Remuneration Policy are as follows:

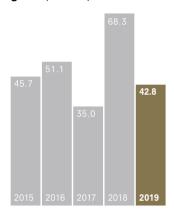
- To ensure that Executive Directors and senior managers are rewarded in a way that attracts, retains, motivates and rewards management of the highest quality.
- To operate incentive plans designed to encourage Executive Directors and senior managers to align their long-term career aspirations with the long-term interests of the Company and shareholders' expectations.
- To promote the attainment of both individual and corporate achievements, measured against performance criteria required to deliver the long-term growth and sustainability of the business.
- To encourage sustained performance over the medium and long term without taking undue risk.

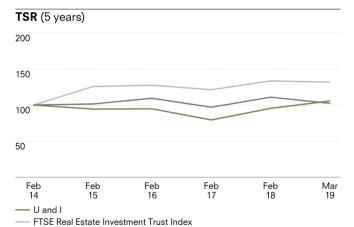
The total pay framework is based on a mixture of fixed and variable elements considered on a meritocratic basis at individual and Group level, taking into account the remuneration awarded to employees in the Group. The balance between fixed and variable pay is considered appropriate, given that the various incentive plans/ schemes ensure a significant proportion of a key individual's remuneration package is performancerelated, thereby correlating with the strategic aims of the business and the performance of the Company.

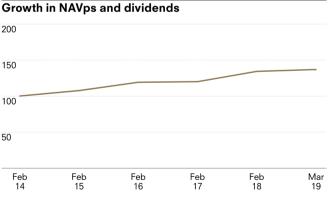
#### Performance in 2018/19

The graphs below show the Company's performance over the last five financial periods in respect of (i) total shareholder return against relevant Real Estate Investment indices; (ii) NAVps growth; and (iii) development and trading gains.

## Development and trading gains (£million)







- FTSE Real Estate Investment Services Index

Remuneration Policy implementation in 2018/19 and 2019/20
The following table sets out a summary of our Remuneration Policy as well as its implementation in 2018/19 and 2019/20.

COMPONENT	SUMMARY OF POLICY	IMPLEMENTATION IN 2018/19	IMPLEMENTATION IN 2019/20
Salary	Core element of remuneration set at a level to attract and retain	Salaries for the financial year starting 1 March 2018 were:	Salaries for the financial year starting 1 April 2019 are:
	individuals of the calibre required to shape and	1 March 2018 £′000	1 April 2019 £'000
	execute the Company's	M S Weiner 375	M S Weiner 375
	strategy.	R Upton 350	R Upton 350
		M O Shepherd 325	M O Shepherd 325
Retirement benefits	Provides Executive Directors with retirement benefits consistent with the role.	Defined contribution pension arrangements are provided at 17.5% of salary per annum.	No changes to the pension contributions for incumbent Executive Directors.
	the role.		The Committee will review pension contributions during 2019/20 taking into account the revised UK Corporate Governance Code. In the event of a new Executive Director hire the Committee would be mindful of shareholders' evolving views of pension alignment with the workforce.
Benefits	Provides Executive Directors with market- competitive benefits consistent with the role.	Benefits received during the year include cash in lieu of motor vehicle, subsidised gym membership and medical insurance.	No changes.
	Typical benefits include cash in lieu of motor vehicle, private medical insurance, income protection insurance and life assurance.		
Bonus	Incentivises and rewards Executive Directors for the successful delivery of	For 2018/19, Executive Directors had a maximum bonus opportunity of 75% of salary.	Maximum bonus opportunity for 2019/20 will be 75% of salary.
	financial and strategic objectives on an annual basis.	The table below sets out details of the measures used, and performance achieved:	The structure for 2019/20 will be unchanged from 2018/19.
	Any bonus above 50% of		
	the maximum opportunity	Measure Weighting Performance NAV growth 30% 0%	
	is paid in shares which the Director is expected to hold for at least two years.	NAV growth 30% 0%  Development and trading gains 30% 0.47%	
	Malus and clawback provisions apply.	Strategic and personal objectives and	
		priorities 40% 26%–30%	
		Total 100% 26%–30%	
		Total (% of salary) 20%–23%	

COMPONENT	SUMMARY OF POLICY	IMPLEMENTATION IN 2018/19	IMPLEMENTATION IN 2019/20
Long-Term Incentive Plan	Incentivises and rewards Executive Directors for delivery of the Company's strategic plan of building shareholder value. Awards are subject to achieving performance targets set by the Committee.  Awards are subject to a combined performance period and holding period of five years.  Malus and clawback provisions apply.	LTIP awards outurns  The second half of the 2015 LTIP awards vested at 22.6% of maximum following NAVps growth of 5.2% over the four-year performance period.  The first half of the 2016 LTIP awards vested at 0% of maximum following NAVps growth of 3.4% over the three-year performance period.  LTIP awards made in 2018  In 2018 Executives were granted the following LTIP awards subject to three-year and four-year NAVps growth performance:  Face value of award  M S Weiner 300% of salary  R Upton 300% of salary  M O Shepherd 100% of salary  Awards are subject to NAVps growth performance targets which are measured equally over a three-year and four-year performance period as follows:  Targets at years three and four  Threshold vesting (20% of maximum) 5% p.a.  Maximum vesting (100% of maximum) 12% p.a.  Awards are subject to a combined performance period and holding	LTIP awards to be made in 2019 In 2019 Executives will be granted the following LTIP awards:  Face value of award M S Weiner 300% of salary R Upton 300% of salary M O Shepherd 100% of salary Awards are subject to NAVps growth performance targets which are measured equally over a three-year and four-year performance period as follows:  Targets at years three and four Threshold vesting (20% of maximum) 5% p.a.  Awards are subject to a combined performance period and holding period of five years.
Shareholding guidelines	Aligns Executive Directors with the shareholder experience.	Executive Directors are expected to build a shareholding of 50% of salary within two years of appointment and 100% of salary within four years of appointment. Thereafter, they are required to retain 50% of net vested shares from the LTIP until they build shareholdings of 200% of salary for the Chief Executive Officer and 150% of salary for the Chief Executive Officer and 150% of salary for the Chief Financial Officer.	No changes.

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The Annual Remuneration Report on pages 135 to 144 provides details of remuneration for the 13-month financial period ended 31 March 2019, and how our Policy will be implemented for the financial year commencing 1 April 2019.

#### Implementation of Remuneration Policy in the financial year commencing 1 April 2019

The table below provides an overview of the components of the remuneration framework for all Executive Directors:

Fixed pay + Annual bonus + LTIP

#### Salary

The salaries which will apply for the financial year beginning 1 April 2019 are set out below:

	1 April 2019 £'000	1 March 2018 £′000	% increase
M S Weiner	375	375	0
R Upton	350	350	0
M O Shepherd	325	325	0

#### **Retirement benefits**

The existing money purchase pension scheme is now closed to future contributions and new joiners and pension is provided via a Group Personal Pension Plan. The contribution structure for Executive Directors is 17.5% of salary for the financial year commencing 1 April 2019.

During the year the Committee will review the pension policy for Executive Directors taking into account the revised UK Corporate Governance Code. In the event of a new Executive Director hire the Committee would be mindful of shareholders' evolving views of pension alignment with the workforce.

Executive Directors do not have a prospective entitlement to a defined benefit pension.

#### **Annual bonus**

The annual bonus structure sets financial and strategic/personal targets at the beginning of each year. The targets set for 2018/19 are disclosed in the incentive out-turns section on pages 138 and 139. For 2019/20 we will continue with this structure. The performance measures and weightings for the 2019/20 annual bonus are set out below:

	Measure	Weighting
Financial	NAV growth	30%
	Development and trading gains	30%
Non-financial and strategic	Strategic and personal objectives and priorities	40%

The financial targets for the 2019/20 financial year (including threshold and maximum) and our performance against them will be disclosed in next year's report.

Annual bonus opportunities for the financial year beginning 1 April 2019 are shown below. Bonus amounts above target are held as shares for a period of two years.

	On target bonus for	Maximum bonus for
	year as a percentage of salary %	year as a percentage of salary %
M S Weiner	37.5	75
R Upton	37.5	75
M O Shepherd	37.5	75

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#### **Long-Term Incentive Plan**

Awards of 300% of salary will be made to M S Weiner and R Upton. M O Shepherd will receive an award of 100% of salary.

Awards will be subject to U+I's NAV growth, 50% measured over a three-year period and 50% measured over a four-year period as outlined below:

	Targets at	Three-year	Four-year
	year three	cumulative	cumulative
	and four	targets	targets
Threshold vesting (20% of maximum)	5% p.a.	15.8%	21.6%
Maximum vesting (100% of maximum)	12% p.a.	40.5%	57.4%

Pro-rated vesting will occur for performance between these points.

For awards following 1 March 2017, the holding period has been extended such that the entire award will have a combined performance and holding period of five years.

Awards are subject to a risk underpin. For awards to vest, the Committee must be satisfied that performance has not been achieved as a result of inappropriate financial risk (e.g. very high levels of gearing), and that the level of financial and business risk is in line with the Company's stated strategy.

#### Clawback and malus

In line with the UK Corporate Governance Code, incentive awards made following 1 March 2016 are subject to both malus and clawback.

Clawback and/or malus provisions may be applied at the discretion of the Committee if an exceptional event occurs, such as a material misstatement of results, serious misconduct or an error/material misstatement resulting in overpayment.

Malus provisions may also be applied in the event of serious reputational damage to the Company or a material failure of risk management.

Clawback provisions will apply to the annual bonus for up to two years following the payment of cash/shares. For LTIP awards, malus and clawback provisions may be applied for up to five years post grant.

During the year the Committee will review our clawback and malus triggers taking into account the updated 2018 UK Corporate Governance Code.

#### Savings-related option scheme

The renewal of our Save As You Earn Option Plan was approved by shareholders at our 2014 Annual General Meeting.

#### Non-executive Directors' fees

Fees for the financial year commencing 1 April 2019 are set out in the table below:

, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	1 April 2019 £'000	1 March 2018 £′000
Chairman	120	120
Basic fee	42	42
Chairman of Audit or Remuneration Committee	7.5	7.5
Membership of Audit or Remuneration Committee	5	5
Senior Independent Director	5	5

#### Single total figure of remuneration (audited)

The table below sets out the total remuneration receivable by each of the Directors who held office for the 13-month period to 31 March 2019 with a comparison to the previous financial year:

Executive Directors		Fees and salary £'000	Benefits <sup>3</sup> £'000	Pension <sup>4</sup> £'000	Annual bonus £'000	DPP⁵ £′000	LTIP £'000	Total £′000
M S Weiner	2019 <sup>1</sup>	406	20	62	81	_	83	652
	2018	375	18	58	218	1,003	200	1,872
R Upton <sup>2</sup>	2019 <sup>1</sup>	286	16	60	86	_	83	531 <sup>2</sup>
·	2018	350	19	55	206	_	200	830
M O Shepherd	2019 <sup>1</sup>	352	21	54	70	_	20	517
	2018	325	19	50	194	_	48	636
Non-executive Directors								
P W Williams	2019 <sup>1</sup>	130	_	_	_	_	_	130
	2018	120	_	_	_	_	_	120
N H Thomlinson	2019 <sup>1</sup>	64	_	_	_	_	_	64
	2018	60	_	_	_	_	_	60
B Bennett	2019 <sup>1</sup>	45	_	_	_	_	_	45
	2018	42	_	_	_	_	_	42
L G Krige	2019 <sup>1</sup>	59	_	_	_	_	_	59
	2018	55	_	_	_	_	_	55
R Kerslake <sup>6</sup>	2019 <sup>1</sup>	56	_	_	_	_	_	56
	2018	26	_	_	_	_	_	26
S Morgan <sup>7</sup>	2019 <sup>1</sup>	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
3	2018	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

As a result of the change in the Company's year-end, amounts shown for 2019 are in respect of a 13-month period whereas amounts shown for 2018 are in respect of a 12-month period.

As announced in July 2018, R Upton took a short sabbatical between 1 September 2018 and 31 December 2018. He continued to work for one day per week during

to awards on projects realised during the year. Awards on projects were subject to netting off.

R Kerslake became a Non-executive Director of the Company on 1 September 2017, and also became a member of the Audit and Risk Committee, Remuneration and Nomination Committees on this date.

Aggregate remuneration for the Executive Directors for the period ending 31 March 2019 totalled £1,334k, excluding cash in lieu of pension contributions and LTIP payments.

the course of his sabbatical, and his salary and elements of his annual bonus for 2019 have been pro-rated to reflect his sabbatical.

Benefits received during the year include cash in lieu of motor vehicle, subsidised gym membership and medical insurance.

Pension contributions received during the year include contributions to the Company's approved scheme or cash supplements.

DPP payments for Directors ceased in the financial year ending 28 February 2018 in accordance with the approved remuneration policy. The 2018 figure relates

S Morgan became a Non-executive Director of the Company with effect 3 April 2019 and therefore received no remuneration for the period under review.

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#### Incentive out-turns (audited)

#### **Annual bonus**

The annual bonus structure operates using financial and strategic/personal targets set at the beginning of each financial period.

The tables below provide details of financial targets and our performance against them:

#### Financial targets - 60% of total bonus award

The financial measures and targets were as follows:

#### NAV growth (30%)

			NAV per	% of actual
		Maximum	share growth	payout for
	Threshold	performance	achieved for	NAV growth
	performance	(100%	period ended	(maximum
	(20% payout)	payout)	31 Mar 2019	30%)*
NAV per share growth (including dividends)*	5%	12%	0.9%	0

<sup>\*</sup> Payouts are calculated on a straight-line basis between threshold and maximum performance. For 'target' performance (50% of maximum), this is growth of 7.6% per annum.

#### Development and trading gains (30%)

				Targets	Actua	al performance and payout
	0% payout	50% payout	75% payout	100% payout	Development and trading gains for the period ended 31 Mar 2019	% of actual payout for development and trading gains (maximum 30%)*
Development and trading gains*	42.75	45.9	47.5	52.25	42.85	0.47

<sup>\*</sup> Payouts are calculated on a straight-line basis between performance points.

Non-financial targets - 40% of total bonus award

Personal objectives were set at the beginning of the financial period which focused on both the delivery of strategic priorities for 2018/19 and the longer term.

#### M. S. WEINER

#### **Refining strategy**

- Major new project wins including CFNE, Arts Building, Newtown Works, White Heather Industrial Estate and 3 investment assets – representing successful realisation of a strategy of focusing on 'fewer, larger' projects.
- Roll-out of refreshed strategic organisation communications to ensure consistent messaging and alignment - linking strategy from the corporate level to day-to-day roles.
- Monthly in-house strategy updates to U+I team to embed purpose, values and strategy into the business.
- Reputation Benchmark exercise to consider external perceptions of U+I and its strategy.

#### Investor relations

- New broking team fully integrated into the IR process. Improved analyst coverage as part of this process.
- Significant increased investor relations activity - hosting capital markets events as well as speaking at investor conferences.

#### Capital structures

- Good progress against the strategic objective of seeking large scale capital partner(s) - Colony Capital joined the St James's Gate bid team as an equity partner.
- Building team to implement diversification of the Company's JV relationships.

#### Operating model

Shaping the senior leadership team towards best in class. Recent changes to the team expected to lead to further gains in accountability and efficiency in FY2020.

#### **Engaged workforce**

- Good progress on initiatives to improve team chemistry including establishment of a Company Charity Committee.
- Employee engagement review undertaken.

Non-financial element of

External and public affairs

- Led the 'PPP: The Reset' campaign as the Company's spokesperson.

#### R. UPTON

#### New business origination

- Directed new business strategy which led to a comprehensive re-structuring of the team and three new short-term opportunities being secured.
- Led the pitch on a significant project including returning from sabbatical for two key presentations.

#### Asset business plans and project realisations

- Introduction of a milestone project monitoring process as part of an improved management information system. These milestones now form the bedrock of individual asset business plans and internal project monitoring.
- Since January has taken an increasing role in directing the strategy for the Company's major projects – Mayfield, 8 Albert Émbankment and Morden Wharf.
- Led CPO strategy in relation to Curzon Park.
- Directed Preston Barracks residential land sale negotiations generating a profit level in advance of forecast.

#### Public affairs programme

Completion of a programme of high-profile speaking engagements. Principal spokesperson on all public affairs matters, including appearing at the London Local Plan Inquiry.

#### Operating model

- Completion of first stage of the Working Smarter project including the review and refinement of the Company's 'Factory Floor' and the organisational structure required to deliver the process.
- Led the re-structuring of the marketing and communications teams leading to improved focus on project marketing over corporate brand.
- Initiated and authored a revised internal strategy review for the Board including management of external consultants.

#### M. O. SHEPHERD

#### Financing

- Successful negotiation of £19.7m loan facility with Barclays to provide increased flexibility and greater security to the Company's funding
- Maintained all Company debt relationships to assist in substantial refinancing discussions.

#### Financial control/process

- Undertook finance function diagnostic to consider step change improvements to team process and infrastructure.
- Implemented 'Project Bean', an innovation initiative to improve the finance function and its integration with the regeneration team.

#### Investor relations

- Achievement of increased engagement with analysts, shareholders and potential investors to raise the understanding of the U+I business model.
- Attended investor conferences focused on the PCB market with the aim to improve stock liquidity.
- Increased responsibility as first point of call for Investor Relations. Successful transition of Head of IR reporting line to Chief Financial Officer.

#### Efficiency and cost effectiveness

- Focus on delivering a continual decrease in net recurring overheads. Initiated a peer review of the treatment of certain internal costs and agreed a working framework with the auditors to capitalise elements of overhead to better reflect the Company's operating model.
- Identification of further overhead savings to be targeted over the next financial year.

Non-financial element of annual bonus as % of salary

19.5

Non-financial element of annual bonus as % of salary

22.5

19.5

annual bonus as % of salary

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Bonus opportunities for 2018/19 have been pro-rated to reflect the change in the Company's year-end to 31 March 2019.

In light of both corporate and individual performance, the Committee determined the following bonus awards be made for the financial period ended 31 March 2019:

			Total bonus
	Total award	Total award	award
Executive Director	% of maximum	% of salary	(£'000)
M S Weiner	26.5	19.9	81
R Upton	30.4	22.8	86
M O Shepherd	26.5	19.9	70

As announced in July 2018, R Upton took a short sabbatical between 1 September and 31 December 2018. The Committee took his sabbatical into account when determining his annual bonus and applied a pro-rata reduction where appropriate. The approach that the Committee took was to consider each objective. The Committee pro-rated the bonus for certain objectives. In the case of some 'milestone' objectives the Committee considered that it would not be appropriate to apply a pro-rata reduction. For example throughout his sabbatical R Upton led an important bid which would be a significant development project for the Company, including returning from his sabbatical for two key presentations. The financial element of the bonus was pro-rated in full.

100% of any annual bonus awarded which is above target (50% of the maximum opportunity) will be paid in shares which the recipient must hold for at least two years. All annual bonus' awarded to Executive Directors in 2019 were below target therefore no element of Executive Director bonus was paid in shares.

#### Long-Term Incentive Plan (audited)

#### LTIP awards made in 2015

Awards were made under the LTIP in 2015 with the first half of awards subject to the Company's growth in NAV per share over the three-year performance period 1 March 2015 to 28 February 2018. Details of the NAV growth over the three-year performance period were provided in last year's Annual Report on Remuneration. The second half of awards are subject to the Company's growth in NAV per share over the four-year performance period 1 March 2015 to 31 March 2019. Details of the NAV growth over the four-year performance period are set out in the table below:

	NAVps %	
	growth per	Vesting % of
	annum	maximum
Threshold	5	20
Maximum	12	100
Performance	5.2	22.6

The Committee was satisfied that the risk underpin had been satisfied.

Two-thirds of the shares that vest in respect of performance to 31 March 2019 are subject to an additional holding period of one year.

#### LTIP awards made in 2016

Awards were made under the LTIP in 2016 with the first half of awards subject to the Company's growth in NAV per share over the three-year performance period 1 March 2016 to 31 March 2019. Details of the NAV growth over the three-year performance period are set out in the table below:

	NAVps %	
	growth per	Vesting % of
	annum	maximum
Threshold	5	20
Maximum	12	100
Performance	3.2	0

The second half of awards made in 2016 are subject to the Company's growth in NAV per share over a four-year performance period 1 March 2016 to 31 March 2020. Details of the NAV growth performance will be disclosed next year following the end of the performance period.

#### Payments made/awards granted during the year

Long-Term Incentive Plan (audited)

On 7 June 2018, awards were made under the Long-Term Incentive Plan as follows:

Executive Director	Туре	Number of shares	Face value (% of salary)¹	Performance conditions <sup>2</sup>	End of performance periods	% vesting at threshold
M S Weiner		460,122	300	% NAVps	28 Feb 2021/ 29 Feb 2022	20%
R Upton	Conditional Share award -	429,447	300			20%
M O Shepherd	Silale awalu =	132,924	100	growth	20160 2022	20%

- 1 The face value has been calculated based on the share price of 244.50 pence taken on 7 June 2018 as an average of the closing mid-market price from the
- 2 Awards are subject to U+I's NAV per share growth (including dividends), 50% measured over a three-year period and 50% measured over a four-year period; see page 134 for further information.

#### Executive Directors' shareholdings (audited)

Executive Directors are subject to a shareholding requirement of one half basic salary within two years of appointment, rising to an amount equivalent to two times basic salary for the Chief Executive Officer and one and a half times basic salary for the Chief Development Officer and Chief Financial Officer. 50% of net vested shares will be retained until these guidelines are achieved. M S Weiner and R Upton have met their respective shareholding requirements; M O Shepherd will retain 50% of net vested shares until such time as he has reached his 150% shareholding guideline.

The interests of all the Directors (together with interests held by his or her connected persons), all of which were beneficial, in the share capital of the Company, are:

	Shares owned outright as at 31 March	Shareholding as a % of	Interest in shares subject to	Interest in options subject to continued employment
Executive Directors	20191,2		performance	only
M S Weiner	457,531	228	1,814,657	11,815
R Upton	3,293,740	1,762	1,709,115	0
M O Shepherd	194,874	112	514,922	11,815
Non-executive Directors				
P W Williams	100,000	_	0	0
N H Thomlinson	20,000	_	0	0
B Bennett	35,000	_	0	0
L G Krige	0	_	0	0
R Kerslake	0	_	0	0
S Morgan	0	_	0	0

- 1 Including shares held by connected persons.
- There have been no changes in share interests held by Directors between 31 March 2019 and 21 May 2019, the date of signing this report.

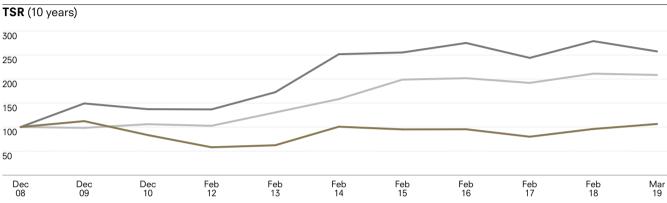
  Calculation derived from the market value of 187.20 pence per share and Directors' salary as at close of market on 29 March 2019.
- External directorships

M S Weiner is a trustee for the charity Jewish Care, he does not receive any fees for this role. R Upton is a Commissioner for English Heritage for which he receives a nominal fee of c.£7,000. M O Shepherd does not hold any external appointments at this time.

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#### **Historical Total Shareholder Return performance**

The graph below shows the Company's TSR performance over the last ten financial periods in-line with the disclosure regulations. TSR has been calculated as share price growth plus reinvested dividends and is shown against both the FTSE Real Estate Investment Trust Index and the FTSE Real Estate Investment Services Index. The Company is a constituent of the FTSE Real Estate Investment Services Index, but a number of constituents of the FTSE Real Estate Investment Trust Index are also considered as within the Company's peer group.



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- FTSE Real Estate Investment Trust Index
- FTSE Real Estate Investment Services Index

#### Chief Executive Officer remuneration for previous ten years

The table below shows the total remuneration figure for the Chief Executive Officer for the same ten-year period as the TSR chart above. The annual bonus and LTIP percentages show the payout for each year as a percentage of the maximum opportunity.

	2009	2010	2012 <sup>1</sup>	2013	2014	2015		2016	2017	2018	20194
							M H	M S Weiner <sup>3</sup>			
Single total figure of remuneration (£'000)	767	865	714	487	882	1,002	257	1,633	1,723	1,872	652
Annual bonus (% of maximum)	80	63	21	0	67	86.7	_	59	26.8	77.4	26.5
LTIP vesting (% of maximum)	_	_	_	_	-	_	18	18	_	38.1	11.3

- As a result of the change in the Company's year-end, amounts shown for 2012 are in respect of a 14-month period ending 29 February 2012.

  M H Marx's figure relates to both the time he was Chief Executive Officer of the Company from 1 March 2015 to 14 July 2015, and from 15 July 2015 to 29 February 2016 when he received a basic fee as a Non-executive Director.
- M S Weiner's figure relates to both the time he was a Executive Director of the Company from 1 March 2015 to 14 July 2015, and from 15 July 2015 to 29 February
- 2016 when he was Chief Executive Officer of the Company.

  4 As a result of the change in the Company's year-end, amounts shown for 2019 are in respect of a 13-month period ending 31 March 2019.

#### Percentage change in Chief Executive Officer remuneration

The table below sets out in relation to salary, taxable benefits and annual bonus, the percentage change in remuneration in relation to the Chief Executive Officer compared to the wider workforce.

	Chief	Wider
	Executive	workforce
	% change	% change
Salary	0	9.3
Taxable benefits	1.4	-15
Annual bonus	-63	-39

#### Relative importance of spend on pay

The following table sets out the overall expenditure on pay and total dividends and share buybacks paid in the year.

	2019	2018	% change
Dividends <sup>1</sup>	7,401	7,382	0.25
Supplemental dividend <sup>1,2</sup>	5,114	15,033	-66.0
Overall expenditure on pay <sup>3</sup>	11,730	14,163	-17.2

1 These figures have been extracted from Note 7 to the Consolidated financial statements on page 187.

- 2 A supplemental dividend of 12.0 pence per share, amounting to £15,033,000 for 2018, was declared post 2018 year end, and therefore not deducted from net assets in 2018. A supplemental dividend of 4.1 pence per share, amounting to £5,114,000 for 2019, was declared post 2019 year end, and therefore not deducted from the net assets in 2019.
- 3 These figures have been extracted from Note 4 to the Consolidated financial statements on page 184.

#### Role and constitution of the Committee

During the year the Committee reviewed the terms of reference and made a number of changes to account for the updated 2018 UK Corporate Governance Code. The Committee's principal roles have been expanded so that in addition to the Executive Directors the Committee is responsible for determining the remuneration for members of the senior management. The Committee's full terms of reference are set out on the Company's website www.uandiplc.com and are available on request from the Company Secretary.

#### Wider workforce remuneration

The success of the projects we deliver relies in turn on our ability to harness the intelligence, imagination and audacity of our people. These values underpin everything we do, and our goal is to nurture them by providing a culture where people are proud to work for us.

During 2019/20 the Committee has widened our scope so that we are responsible for reviewing wider workforce remuneration in-line with the updated 2018 UK Corporate Governance Code.

#### Advisors

The Committee sought professional advice from external remuneration consultants Deloitte LLP (who are members of the Remuneration Consultants Group and, as such, voluntarily operate under their code of conduct in relation to executive remuneration consulting).

Deloitte was appointed as advisor to the Committee following a full tender process. The Committee is satisfied that the advice it receives is objective and independent. Deloitte's fees for providing advice to the Remuneration Committee amounted to £26,800. Representatives of Deloitte LLP attended three meetings of the Committee by invitation. Fees are determined on the basis of time spent and work and materials. Deloitte LLP currently also provided services to the Company in relation to planning and development real estate advice.

M S Weiner, Chief Executive Officer, provided advice in respect of the remuneration of the other Executive Directors but was not in attendance when his own remuneration was discussed.

#### The Remuneration Committee as constituted by the Board

The Committee met four times in the year under review.

Committee members	Joined the Committee on	Considered independent Non-executive Director	Number of meetings attended/ number of meetings possible	% attendance
N H Thomlinson (Chairman)	03.01.12	Yes	4	100
P W Williams	04.01.16	_1	4	100
L Krige	14.07.16	Yes	4	100
R Kerslake	01.10.17	Yes	4	100
S Morgan <sup>2</sup>	03.04.19	Yes	_	_

1 Chairman, independent on appointment.

2 S Morgan became a member of the Committee on 3 April 2019 and, as such, attended no meetings in the period to 31 March 2019.

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#### Service contracts - Executive Directors

The dates of the current contracts in place for the Executive Directors are as follows:

Executive Director	Date of contract
M S Weiner	23 July 2015
R Upton	19 May 2014
M O Shepherd	23 July 2015

The Executive Directors' service contracts do not specify an expiry date and may be terminated upon 12 months' notice by either Director or the Company.

#### **Remuneration Committee evaluation**

Following the 2019 Board evaluation process, the effectiveness of the Committee was reviewed and the Committee was considered to be operating effectively. No member has any personal financial interest in the matters to be decided.

#### Statement of voting at the last Annual General Meeting

The Company remains committed to ongoing shareholder dialogue and takes an active interest in voting outcomes. The following table sets out the actual voting in respect of the advisory vote to approve the Annual Report on Remuneration at the Company's Annual General Meeting on 5 July 2018 as well as the binding vote to approve the Remuneration Policy at the Company's Annual General Meeting on 11 July 2017:

			Votes		Votes
	Votes for	% of vote	against	% of vote	withheld
Approve Remuneration Report (2018 AGM)	93,463,542	91.22	8,999,825	8.78	7,528
Approve Remuneration Policy (2017 AGM)	92,018,752	95.34	401,030	4.66	1,690,512

#### Incentive awards outstanding at year-end (audited)

Details of incentive awards outstanding at the year-end are shown in the tables below:

#### **Long-Term Incentive Plan**

		Market							
		price at date	28 February		Dividend			31 March	
		of grant Pence per	2018 Number of		Equivalent shares			2019 Number of	Final
	Date of grant	share	shares	Granted	granted	Lapsed	Exercised	shares	vesting date
M S Weiner	05.06.15	273.40	373,079	_	11,560	115,468	82,631	186,540	05.06.2019
	09.06.16	191.10	588,697	_		_	_	588,697	09.06.19/20
	30.05.17	194.20	579,299	_		_	_	579,299	30.05.20/21
	07.06.18	244.50	_	460,122		_	_	460,122	07.06.21/22
R Upton	05.06.15	273.40	373,079	_	11,560	115,468	82,631	186,540	05.06.2019
	09.06.16	191.10	549,450	_		_	_	549,450	09.06.19/20
	30.05.17	194.20	540,679	_		_	_	540,679	30.05.20/21
	07.06.18	244.50	_	429,447		_	_	429,447	07.06.21/22
M O Shepherd	05.06.15	273.40	89,155	_	2,762	27,593	19,746	44,578	05.06.2019
·	09.06.16	191.10	170,068	_		_	_	170,068	09.06.19/20
	30.05.17	194.20	167,353	_		_	_	167,353	30.05.20/21
	07.06.18	244.50	_	132,924		_	_	132,924	07.06.21/22

The new LTIP introduced for the year beginning 1 March 2015 replaced the previous Performance Share Plan.

#### Save as You Earn (SAYE) (audited)

	28 February 2018 Number of shares	Granted	Lapsed	Exercised	31 March 2019 Number of shares	Exercise price pence per share	pence per	Gain on exercise £'000	Date from which exercisable	Expiry date
M S Weiner	11 015				11 015	152.00			01 02 21	31.07.21
2017	11,815				11,815	152.00			01.02.21	31.07.21
M O Shepherd 2017	11,815	_	_	_	11,815	152.00	_	_	01.02.21	31.07.21

These options are not subject to performance conditions. The options may be exercised after three years at a price not less than 80% of the market value of the shares at the time of invitation. No options were exercised during the year.

### REMUNERATION POLICY

An updated Remuneration Policy (the Policy) was presented and approved by shareholders at the 2017 AGM and will operate until the 2020 AGM. Since no changes to the Policy are proposed for the year ahead, this part of the report will not be subject to a shareholder vote at our 2019 AGM. We have included those changes to the Policy approved at the 2017 AGM and the policy tables for Executive Directors and Non-executive Directors below for reference. The full Policy can be found on our website at uandiplc.com/investors.

#### Changes to the application of the Remuneration Policy effective following the 2017 AGM

The key changes between the Policy and the policy which was approved by shareholders at our 2014 AGM are as follows:

- Extending the holding period that applies to our LTIP awards such that the combined performance and holding period is five
  years in total for the entire award for awards from 1 March 2017.
- Érom 2016/17 we changed our approach to the annual bonus, moving to a structure with financial and strategic/personal targets set at the beginning of each year. To reflect this change in operation, we introduced a minimum weighting for financial measures of 50% for the annual bonus.
- We introduced an additional shareholding guideline requiring Executive Directors to retain 50% of net vested shares from the LTIP until they build up shareholdings of 200% of salary for the Chief Executive Officer and 150% of salary for the Chief Development Officer and Chief Financial Officer.

#### Main components of the Remuneration Policy

**Policy table for Executive Directors** 

PURPOSE OF COMPONENT AND LINK TO STRATEGY	OPERATION	MAXIMUM	PERFORMANCE MEASURES
Salary Core element of remuneration set at a level to attract and retain individuals of the calibre required to shape and execute the Company's strategy.	Contractual fixed cash amount.  Typically, salary levels are reviewed on an annual basis. The Committee takes into account a number of factors when setting base salary, including:  Size and scope of the role;  Skills and experience of the individual;  Performance of the Company and individual;  Appropriate market data; and  Pay and conditions elsewhere in the Company.	Salary increases may be applied taking into account the factors outlined in this table.  During review, consideration will also be given to increases applied to the wider employee population. In certain circumstances, such as an increase in the size and scope of the role or increased experience where an individual has been hired on a lower salary initially, higher increases may be given.  There is no maximum salary opportunity.	None.

PURPOSE OF COMPONENT AND	OPERATION	MAXIMUM	PERFORMANCE MEASURES
LINK TO STRATEGY			
Benefits To provide Executive Directors with market competitive benefits consistent with	Executive Directors currently receive the following benefits:  - Cash in lieu of motor vehicle;  - Private medical insurance;  - Income protection insurance; and  - Life assurance.	The cost of benefits may vary from year to year depending on an individual's circumstances and the varying cost of benefits premiums.	None.
the role.	Other benefits that are consistent with the role may be provided if the Committee considers it appropriate. Payments may be made to Executive Directors in lieu of any unutilised holiday allowance. The Committee may permit additional holiday in lieu of remuneration.	There is no maximum benefits value.	
	Relocation and expatriate benefits may also be provided, if an existing or new Executive Director is required to relocate.		
	The Executive Directors may participate in any all employee share plans adopted by the Company on the same basis as other employees.		
Annual bonus Incentivises and rewards Executive Directors for the successful delivery of financial and strategic objectives on an annual basis.	Payments are based on performance in the relevant financial year.  Payments up to 50% of the maximum opportunity ('Target' performance) are made in cash.  Any bonus above 50% of the maximum opportunity will be paid in shares which the Director is expected to hold for at least two years.  Clawback and/or malus provisions may be applied at the discretion of the Committee if an exceptional event occurs, such as a material misstatement of results, serious misconduct or an error/material misstatement resulting in overpayment.  Malus provisions may also be applied in the event of serious reputational damage to the Company or a material failure of risk management.	150% of salary per annum.  Executive Directors, excluding the Chief Executive, will have a lower maximum opportunity than the percentage stated above.  For the financial year ending 31 March 2020, Executive Directors, including the CEO, will have a maximum of 75% of salary.	The annual bonus is based on a range of financial, strategic and individual measures set by the Committee at the beginning of each year. The weightings will also be determined annually to ensure alignment with the Company's strategic priorities. At least 50% of the bonus will be based on financial measures.  The Committee reviews the basis of performance measurement under the annual bonus from time to time and may review and amend the measures as it considers appropriate.
			50% of the maximum bonus opportunity will be payable for 'Target' performance.

PURPOSE OF COMPONENT AND LINK TO STRATEGY	OPERATION	MAXIMUM	PERFORMANCE MEASURES
Long-Term Incentive Plan (LTIP) Incentivises and rewards Executive Directors for delivery of the Company's strategic plan of building shareholder value.	Awards of nil-cost options or conditional shares.  The awards vest subject to the achievement of performance targets set by the Committee. 50% of the award is based on performance measured over three years, with the remaining 50% based on performance measured over four years.  Following vesting, the awards will normally be subject to an additional holding period of up to two years such that the combined performance and holding period will not be less than five years in total.  Dividend equivalents may be paid on vested awards.  Clawback and/or malus provisions may be applied at the discretion of the Committee if an exceptional event occurs, such as material misstatement of results, serious misconduct or an error/material misstatement resulting in overpayment.  Malus provisions may also be applied in the event of serious reputational damage to the Company or a material failure of risk management.	300% of salary per annum.	The primary performance measure will be net asset value per share growth (including dividends). No less than 50% of an award will be based on this measure. The Committee retains the flexibility to introduce additional measures.  For threshold levels of performance, no more than 25% of the award vests with 100% of the award vesting for maximum performance.
Retirement benefits To provide Executive Directors with retirement benefits consistent with the role.	Defined contribution pension arrangements are provided.  Pension benefits are provided through a Group Personal Pension Plan, nonpensionable cash supplement or contribution to a Personal Pension arrangement.	17.5% of salary per annum.	None.
Shareholding guidelines To align Executive Directors with the shareholder experience.	The Company operates shareholding guidelines for Executive Directors.  They are required to build a shareholding of 50% of salary within two years of appointment and 100% of salary within four years of appointment. Thereafter, they will be required to retain 50% of net vested shares from the LTIP until they build shareholdings of 200% of salary for the Chief Executive Officer and 150% of salary for the Chief Development Officer and Chief Financial Officer.	Not applicable.	Not applicable.

Legacy arrangements and transition

Prior to the Policy being approved in 2014, the Committee undertook a review of incentive arrangements and the LTIP replaced a number of plans. While no new awards will be made under these plans, detail has been included on the Development Profit Plan as there are awards outstanding. Any subsisting awards for legacy plans will continue in accordance with the relevant plan rules.

PURPOSE OF COMPONENT AND LINK TO STRATEGY	OPERATION	MAXIMUM	PERFORMANCE MEASURES
Development Profit Plan (DPP) Incentivises and rewards Executive Directors for the performance of their portfolio of projects.	No awards have been made to Executive Directors for projects which commence following 1 March 2015.  Awards may pay out once a project makes a realised profit. No payments will be made in respect of profits realised after 1 March 2018.  50% of the payment is made in cash or shares at the time profit is realised.  The remaining 50% is deferred until the end of the financial year and paid in cash or shares at this point.	The maximum aggregate pool available for distribution to Executive Directors and the wider team is 10% of the realised profit above a hurdle for each development project.	Payments are only made under this plan once profit has been realised on a development above a threshold return (a notional cost of equity).  Losses attributable to other projects in which a Director has been made an award are also taken into account when calculating payments to ensure that participants are incentivised to mitigate losses while maximising project profits. This calculation is at the Committee's discretion and will not apply in respect of certain legacy awards and projects. Where unrealised losses are deducted in the calculation but a profit is subsequently recognised a balancing payment may be made.

#### **Policy table for Non-executive Directors**

COMPONENT	THE COMPANY'S APPROACH
Chairman fees	Comprises an all-inclusive fee for all Board and Committee responsibilities.
	Determined by the Remuneration Committee and approved by the Board.
Non-executive Director fees	Comprises a basic fee in respect of their Board duties.
	Further fees may be paid in respect of additional Board or Committee duties.
	Recommended by the Chairman and Chief Executive and approved by the Board.

Approved by the Board and signed on its behalf by:

Nick Thomlinson,

Chairman of the Remuneration Committee

21 May 2019

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The Directors present their report and the audited Consolidated financial statements for the financial period ended 31 March 2019.

This report contains forward-looking statements. These statements are not guarantees of future performance; rather, they are based on current views and assumptions and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results to differ from any future results or developments expressed or implied from the forward-looking statements.

#### **Principal activities**

The principal activity of the Company is that of a holding company. The principal activities of the Group during the period were property investment and development, investment and trading.

#### Incorporation

U and I Group PLC is incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales, registration number 1528784.

## Business review and future developments

A review of the Group's operations, the Company's business model, the current state of the business and future prospects, including financial and non-financial key performance indicators and principal risks and uncertainties, is contained within the Strategic Report, and should be read in conjunction with this report. Further details of the financial and non-financial key performance indicators, the principal risks, and the information which comprises the business review as required by Section 417(1) of the Companies Act 2006 may be found in the Strategic Report on pages 1 to 93.

#### Results and dividends

The profit for the financial period amounted to £6,320,000 (2018: £40,256,000 profit). An interim Ordinary dividend of £3,010,000 representing 2.4 pence per Ordinary share was paid on 30 November 2018 (24 November 2017: £3,003,000 representing 2.4 pence per Ordinary share). The Board recommends a final Ordinary dividend of 3.5 pence per Ordinary share amounting to £4,366,000 payable on 6 September 2019 to shareholders on the register at 9 August 2019 (17 August 2018: £4,400,000 representing 3.50 pence per Ordinary share). A further supplemental dividend of 4.1 pence per Ordinary share was announced to the market on 22 May 2019 amounting to £5,114,000 payable on 12 July 2019 to shareholders on the register at 7 June 2019. Subject to shareholder approval, this makes a total dividend declared of 10 pence per Ordinary share for the financial period (2018: 17.9 pence per Ordinary share). Further information on the Company's dividend policy can be found in note 7 to the financial statements.

#### **Group structure**

Details of the Group's subsidiary undertakings are disclosed in note 41 to the Consolidated financial statements on pages 223 to 227.

#### Operations outside the UK

The Group currently operates or has subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures which are located in The Netherlands, Luxembourg and Ireland.

#### Share capital

The Company's issued share capital at 31 March 2019 consisted of 125,431,713 Ordinary shares of 50 pence each. At the date of this report, 125,431,713 Ordinary shares of 50 pence each have been issued, are fully paid up and are quoted on the

London Stock Exchange. The Company's share capital represents a single class of shares, with all shares ranking equally and fully paid. Details of the share capital are set out in note 19 to the Consolidated financial statements on pages 208 to 210.

The rights and obligations attaching to the shares are specified in the Company's Articles of Association, or alternatively may be governed by statute. There are no restrictions on the transfer of shares in the Company other than those specified by law or regulation. There are no restrictions on voting rights other than as specified by the Articles of Association.

Three resolutions relating to share capital will be proposed as Special Business at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting. The full text of the resolutions can be found in the Notice of the Annual General Meeting. At a General Meeting of the Company, every member has one vote on a show of hands and, on a poll, one vote for each share held. The Notice of a General Meeting specifies deadlines for exercising voting rights, either by proxy or being present in person, in relation to the resolutions proposed at the General Meeting.

## Purchase of the Company's shares

At the Annual General Meeting held on 5 July 2018, members authorised the Company to make market purchases of up to . 12,534,976 of its own Ordinary shares of 50 pence each. That authority expires at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of the Company on 4 September 2019 when a resolution will be put to shareholders to renew it so as to allow purchases of up to a maximum of no more than 10% of the Company's issued share capital. No shares in the Company have

been purchased by the Company in the period from 5 July 2018 (the date the current authority was granted) to the date of this report.

#### Change of control

The Group has entered into significant agreements with its commercial partners, which contain change of control clauses and which may give rise to termination or renegotiation in that event. If enforced, the Company may be deprived of potential future earning capacity from such schemes. The Company is party to a number of committed bank facilities which, upon a change of control, are terminable at the banks' discretion. In addition, under such circumstances, the Company's share option schemes would normally vest or become exercisable subject to the satisfaction of the performance conditions.

#### **Takeover Directive**

Details of the required disclosure under the Takeover Directive can be found in this Directors' Report and also in the Remuneration Report on pages 131 to 148 and are incorporated herein by cross-reference.

#### Corporate governance

The Company's statement on corporate governance can be found in the Corporate Governance Report on page 102 of the Annual Report. The Corporate Governance Report forms part of this report and is incorporated into it by cross-reference.

#### Share option schemes

On 19 December 2017, a grant was made under the Save As You Earn Option Plan 2005 for a total of 339,666 options over shares at 152 pence per share to 61 members of staff. All employees of the Company are eligible to participate in the Save As You Earn Option Plan. Further details of the share option schemes are contained in note 19 to the Consolidated financial statements.

#### **Employee Benefit Trust**

VG Corporate Trustee Limited acts as trustee of the U and I Group PLC's Employee Benefit Trust (EBT). The EBT purchases U and I Group PLC ordinary shares in the market from time to time for the benefit of satisfying outstanding employee awards under the Company's LTIP. The EBT purchased a total of 946,134 shares in the market during the period under review. 118,792 shares were transferred to the EBT by the Company out of treasury during the period under review for the purpose of satisfying LTIP awards. The EBT released 374,143 shares during the year to satisfy vested LTIP awards. At 31 March 2019 the EBT held 690,783 U and I Group PLC shares in trust. The trustees of the EBT may exercise all rights attached to the Company's Ordinary shares in accordance with their fiduciary duties other than as specifically restricted in the documents which govern the employee LTIP. Further details regarding the EBT, and of shares issued pursuant to U and I Group PLC's LTIP during the year are set out in note 19 to the financial statements.

#### Waiver of dividends

A dividend waiver is in place from VG Corporate Trustee Limited acting as trustee of the U and I Group PLC's

Employee Benefit Trust, in respect of all dividends, and future dividends, payable by U+I on shares which it holds

#### Directors

The Directors serving during the period and up to the date of signing the Group financial statements are shown in Table 1 below.

All Directors will retire at the 2019 Annual General Meeting and, being eligible, will offer themselves for election or re-election; see page 151. The Directors are voluntarily offering themselves for re-election as a matter of best practice in accordance with the UK Corporate Governance Code. Following the performance evaluation of the Board, all Directors were judged to have made a significant contribution to the Board's deliberations, reflecting their commitment to the role. The rules that the Company has governing the appointment and replacement of Directors are contained in its Articles of Association.

#### Conflicts of interest

Under the Companies Act 2006, a Director must avoid a situation where he or she has, or can have, a direct or indirect interest that conflicts, or possibly may conflict, with the Company's interests. The Directors are required to notify the Board as soon as

they become aware of any actual or potential conflicts of interest with their duties to the Company, or of any material changes in any existing actual or potential conflicts that may have been authorised by the Board. No significant conflicts of interest arose during the period under review.

#### Directors' service contracts and interests in the Company's shares

The details of Directors' service contracts and the interests in the shares of the Company of the Directors who were in office as at 31 March 2019 are disclosed in the Remuneration Policy and Remuneration Report on pages 131 to 148.

None of the Directors had any material interest in any contract that was significant in relation to the Group's business at any time during the period, other than a service contract, and as disclosed in the Remuneration Report.

#### Related party transactions

Related party transactions between the Directors and the Company are set out in note 25 to the Consolidated financial statements.

#### Directors' and Officers' liability insurance

Article 153 of the Company's Articles of Association provides, among other things, that, insofar as permitted by law, every Director shall be indemnified by the Company against all costs, charges, expenses, losses or liabilities incurred in the execution and discharge of the Directors' duties, power or office. The Company maintains, at its expense, a Directors' and Officers' liability insurance policy at an adequate level which is reviewed annually. This insurance policy does not provide cover where a Director or Officer is proved to have acted fraudulently or dishonestly.

This third-party indemnity insurance was in force during the financial period and also at the date of approval of the financial statements.

#### **Articles of Association**

The Articles of Association may be amended by a Special Resolution of the shareholders.

#### **Annual General Meeting**

The Company's AGM provides an opportunity for the Board to respond to shareholders' questions. The information necessary for informed participation is made available with as much notice as possible. Directors are introduced to shareholders at the AGM, including the identification of Nonexecutive Directors and Committee Chairmen, More information regarding the 2019 AGM, including the resolutions being put to the meeting, can be found on pages 150 to 153. The Company's website (uandiplc.com) is updated at the same time as the Regulatory Information Service, to provide additional information dissemination for shareholders. Shareholders are also invited to subscribe to the Company's email news alert service on the Company's website.

The results of the voting at the 2018 AGM are shown in Table 2 on page 151.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on 4 September 2019 at 12 noon at 7A Howick Place, London SW1P 1DZ.

At the Annual General Meeting, the following resolutions will be proposed:

#### Ordinary Resolution 1 -Report and Accounts

The Directors will present the financial statements and Reports of the Directors and Auditors for the financial period ended 31 March 2019.

#### Table 1

P Williams	Chairman
M Weiner	Chief Executive Officer
R Upton	Chief Development Officer
M Shepherd	Chief Financial Officer
N Thomlinson	Independent Non-executive Director
B Bennett	Non-executive Director
L Krige	Independent Non-executive Director
R Kerslake	Independent Non-executive Director
S Morgan	Independent Non-executive Director (appointed 3 April 2019)

Biographical details of the Directors are shown on pages 99 to 101.

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#### Resolution 2 – To approve the Directors' Remuneration Report

In accordance with the Directors' remuneration reporting regime as set out in Schedule 8 to the Large and Medium-sized Companies and Groups (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 (as amended), the Company's 2018 Directors' Remuneration Report comprises the Remuneration Committee Chairman's Annual Statement, the Annual Report on Remuneration (the Annual Remuneration Report), and a summary of the Directors' Remuneration Policy (the Policy).

The Directors' Remuneration Policy was approved by shareholders at the 2017 Annual General Meeting and took immediate effect. The Policy is subject to a shareholder vote at least once every three years and, subject to any proposed changes being required, will next be laid before shareholders for approval at the Annual General Meeting in 2020. The Company is not able to make remuneration or loss of office payments to a current or past Director, unless the payment is consistent with the approved Policy, or has been otherwise approved by shareholders.

Resolution 2 seeks shareholder approval for the Annual Remuneration Report. This is set out on pages 135 to 144 of the Annual Report and sets out details on how our Directors were paid in the financial period ended 31 March 2019, and how their pay will be structured in the financial period ending 31 March 2020. The Annual Remuneration Report will be prepared on an annual basis and is subject to an advisory shareholder vote.

#### Ordinary Resolutions 3 to 11 – Election and Reelection of Directors

In line with the provisions of the Company's Articles of Association, Professor Sadie Morgan, who was appointed by the Board since the date of the last Annual General Meeting, will retire and submit herself for election by shareholders. Details of Professor Morgan's background and experience can be found on page 101.

The Directors seek to maintain the highest standards of corporate governance and, in accordance with the recommendations of the UK Corporate Governance Code, those Directors elected or re-elected at the 2018 Annual General Meeting will voluntarily retire and those wishing to serve again shall submit themselves for

re-election by the shareholders at the 2019 Annual General Meeting. The Chairman is satisfied that, following individual formal performance evaluations, the performance of the Directors standing for re-election continues to be effective and demonstrates commitment to the role. The Nomination Committee has considered each of the Non-executive Directors seeking re-election and concluded that their collective background, skills, experience, independence and knowledge of the Company enables the Board and Committees to discharge their respective duties and responsibilities effectively. The workings of the Board and Committees are more particularly detailed in the Corporate Governance section on pages 94 to 148. Biographical details of all the Directors appear on pages 99 to 101 of the Annual Report.

## Ordinary Resolution 12 – Declaration of final dividend

A final dividend can only be paid after the shareholders at a General Meeting have approved it. A final dividend of 3.5 pence per Ordinary share is recommended by the Directors for payment to shareholders who are on the register at the close of business on 9 August 2019.

#### Ordinary Resolutions 13 and 14 – Re-appointment and remuneration of auditors

Resolutions 13 and 14 propose the re-appointment of PwC as auditors of the Company and authorise the Directors to set their remuneration.

#### Special Resolution 15 – Authority to purchase own shares

The Company is seeking authority to purchase up to 10% of the Company's issued Ordinary share capital at, or between, the minimum and maximum prices specified in this Resolution. This power would only be used after careful consideration by the Directors, having taken into account market conditions prevailing at that time, the investment needs of the Company, its opportunity for expansion and its overall financial position. The Directors have discussed the possibility of making market purchases of the Company's shares, and, should they believe such action would be in the best interests of shareholders and would enhance net assets or earnings per share, would consider exercising their authority during the period. As at 21 May 2019 (being the latest practicable date prior to publication of the Notice

#### Table 2: Results of the 2018 Annual General Meeting

		For	Against
Resolution		% of votes cast <sup>1,2</sup>	% of votes cast <sup>2</sup>
1	Receive Annual Report and Accounts	99.94%	0.06%
2	Remuneration Report	91.22%	8.78%
3 to 10	Appointment of Directors	79.32–99.95%	0.05%-20.68%
11	Declare final dividend	100	0
12	Appointment of Auditor	99.91	0.09
13	Auditor's remuneration	99.95	0.05
14	Authority to purchase own shares	99.91	0.09
15	Authority to allot shares	99.83	0.17
16	Disapplication of pre-emption rights	99.87	0.13
17	Meetings on 14 days' notice	99.09	0.91
18	Political donations	99.88	0.12

<sup>1</sup> Includes those votes for which discretion was given to the Chairman

<sup>2</sup> Does not include votes withheld.

## DIRECTORS' REPORT

of Annual General Meeting), the Company has an unexpired authority to repurchase 12,534,976 Ordinary shares of which 12,534,976 Ordinary shares remain outstanding.

As at 21 May 2019 (being the latest practicable date prior to publication of the Notice of the Annual General Meeting), the total number of options to subscribe for shares in the capital of the Company was 281,774 (approximately 0.22% of the Company's issued share capital and approximately 0.20% of the Company's issued share capital if the full authority proposed by Resolution 15 was used).

Under the Companies Act 2006, the Company is allowed to hold its own shares in treasury following a buyback, instead of cancelling them. Such shares may be re-sold for cash or used for the purpose of employee share schemes, but all rights attaching to them, including voting rights and any right to receive dividends, are suspended whilst they are held in treasury. Accordingly, if the Directors exercise the authority conferred by Resolution 15, the Company will have the option of holding these shares in treasury, rather than cancelling them. The authority sought at the Annual General Meeting will expire at the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company or on 1 December 2020 (being the latest date by which the Company must hold an Annual General Meeting in 2020). At the date of this report the Company did not hold any shares in treasury.

#### Ordinary Resolution 16 – Allotment of shares

The Directors may only allot Ordinary shares or grant rights over Ordinary shares if authorised to do so by shareholders. The authority granted to the Directors at the Company's previous Annual General Meeting in 2018 to allot shares or grant rights to subscribe for, or convert any securities into, shares is due to expire at the conclusion of this period's Annual General Meeting. Accordingly, the Directors will be seeking new authority under Section 551 of the Companies Act 2006 to allot shares (including treasury shares) or grant rights to subscribe for, or to convert any security into, shares which will expire at the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company or on 1 December 2020 (being the latest date by which the Company must hold an Annual General Meeting in 2020).

If passed, paragraph (a) of Resolution 16 would give the Directors authority to allot Ordinary shares or grant rights to subscribe for, or convert any security into, Ordinary shares up to an aggregate nominal amount of £20,903,195 representing approximately one-third (33.33%) of the Company's issued Ordinary share capital and calculated as at 21 May 2019 (being the last practicable date prior to publication of the Notice of the Annual General Meeting). In accordance with the latest institutional guidelines issued by the Association of British Insurers (ABI), paragraph (b) of Resolution 16, if passed, would give the Directors authority to allot further shares in connection with a fully pre-emptive offer by

way of a rights issue to shareholders up to a further aggregate nominal amount of £20,903,195 representing approximately one-third (33.33%) of the Company's issued Ordinary share capital and calculated as at 21 May 2019 (being the last practicable date prior to publication of the Notice of the Annual General Meeting). As at 21 May 2019 the Company held no shares in treasury.

The Directors regularly give consideration to the possible exercise of this authority. The Directors consider it desirable to have the maximum flexibility permitted by corporate governance guidelines to respond to market developments and to enable allotments to take place to finance business opportunities as they arise. Accordingly, the Directors intend to renew this authority annually.

Special Resolution 17 – Disapplication of preemption rights

Under Section 561(1) of the Companies Act 2006, if the Directors wish to allot any shares and other relevant securities, grant rights over shares, or sell treasury shares for cash (other than in connection with an employee share scheme), they must in the first instance offer them to existing shareholders in proportion to their holdings. The Directors seek authority to renew the disapplication of shareholders' pre-emptive rights. The purpose of paragraph (i) of Resolution 17 is to authorise the Directors to allot any shares pursuant to the authority given by paragraph (a) of Resolution 16 for cash either (a) in connection with a preemptive offer or rights issue

or (b) otherwise up to an aggregate nominal value of £3,135,793 (being equivalent to 5.0% of the total issued Ordinary share capital of the Company as at 21 May 2019 (being the latest practicable date prior to publication of the Notice of the Annual General Meeting)) and which includes the sale on a non-pre-emptive basis of any shares held in treasury, in each case without the shares first being offered to existing members in proportion to their existing holdings.

The purpose of paragraph (ii) of Resolution 17 is to authorise the Directors to allot any shares pursuant to the authority given by paragraph (b) of Resolution 16 for cash in connection with a rights issue without the shares first being offered to existing members in proportion to their existing holdings. This is in line with corporate governance guidelines issued by the Pre-emption Group. The Board considers the authority sought to be appropriate in order to allow the Company flexibility to finance business opportunities or to conduct a pre-emptive offer or rights issue without the need to comply with the strict requirements of the statutory pre-emption provisions. The Board intends to adhere to the provisions in the Preemption Group's Statement of Principles not to allot shares on a non-pre-emptive basis (other than pursuant to a rights issue or pre-emptive offer) in excess of an amount equal to 7.5% of the total issued Ordinary share capital of the Company within a rolling three-year period without prior consultation with shareholders.

#### Special Resolution 18 – Notice period for general meetings

The Companies (Shareholders' Rights)
Regulations 2009 increased the notice period for general meetings of a company to 21 clear days unless shareholders approve a shorter period, which cannot be less than 14 clear days.

At the Annual General Meeting of the Company held on 5 July 2018, shareholders authorised the calling of general meetings, other than an Annual General Meeting, on not less than 14 clear working days' notice. Resolution 18 seeks the approval of shareholders to renew the authority to be able to call general meetings (other than an Annual General Meeting) on 14 clear days' notice. The shorter notice period would not be used as a matter of routine for general meetings, but only where the flexibility is merited by the business of the meeting and is thought to be to the advantage of shareholders as a whole. If the proposals at a given meeting are not time sensitive, the Company will not normally use the shorter notice period. The approval will be effective until the Company's next Annual General Meeting, when it is expected that a similar resolution will be proposed. It should also be noted that the changes to the Companies Act 2006 mean that, in order to be able to call a general meeting on less than 21 clear days' notice, the Company must make a means of electronic voting available to all shareholders for that meeting.

## Ordinary Resolution 19 – Political donations

Part 14 of the Companies Act 2006, amongst other things, prohibits the Company and its subsidiaries from making political donations or from incurring political expenditure in respect of a political party or other political organisation or an independent election candidate unless authorised by the Company's shareholders. Aggregate donations made by the Group of £5,000 or less in any 12-month period will not be caught.

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has any intention of making any political donation or incurring any political expenditure. However, the Companies Act 2006 defines 'political organisation', 'political party', 'political donation' and political expenditure' widely. Accordingly, the Company wishes to ensure that neither it nor its subsidiaries inadvertently commit any breaches of the Companies Act 2006 through the undertaking of routine activities, which would not normally be considered to result in the making of political donations and political expenditure being incurred.

Resolution 19 authorises the Company and its subsidiaries to:

- make political donations to political parties or independent election candidates, not exceeding £10,000 in total;
- make political donations to political organisations, other than political parties, not exceeding £10,000 in total; and
- incur political expenditure, not exceeding £10,000 in total, provided that the aggregate amount of any such donations and

expenditure shall not exceed £10,000 during the period beginning with the date of the passing of the Resolution and ending on the date of the Company's next Annual General Meeting.

#### Financial risk management

Disclosures in respect of financial risk management objectives and exposures are set out in note 17d to the Consolidated financial statements on pages 204 to 207.

#### **Financial instruments**

Details of the financial instruments used by the Group and the Company are set out in note 17c to the Consolidated financial statements on page 203.

### Charitable and political donations

Charitable donations during the period were £23,879 (2018: £44,819). The Group supported a number of charities serving the community in which the Group operates. These included national and local charitable organisations and covered a wide range of causes, including education, public services, community support schemes and events organised on behalf of major charities.

#### Significant shareholdings

Information provided to the Company pursuant to the Financial Conduct Authority's Disclosure and Transparency Rules (DTR 5) is published on a Regulatory Information Service and on the Company's website. As at 21 May 2019 (being the last practicable date prior to publication of the Annual Report), the following information had been received in accordance with DTR 5 from holders of notifiable interests in the Company's issued share capital.

The information provided in Table 3 below was correct at the date of notification; however, the date the notification was received from the shareholder may not be within the financial period under review. It should be noted that these holdings, and percentage of share capital held, are likely to have changed since the Company was notified. Notification of any change is the responsibility of those with the notifiable interest, and is not required until the next notifiable threshold has been crossed.

Table 3		
		%
Holder	Shares	holding*
Aberforth Partners LLP	15,059,622	12.01
Fidelity Woldwide Investment	13,644,678	10.87
J O Hambro Capital Management	13,737,550	10.95
Standard Life Aberdeen plc	6,258,083	4.99
BMO Global Asset Management (UK)	5,875,946	4.71
Threadneedle Asset Management	5,722,553	4.68
Ennismore Fund Management Ltd	5,149,730	4.12
The Wellcome Trust Limited	5,108,153	4.08

<sup>\*</sup> Percentage holding in the Company at the time of most recent notification does not necessarily reflect current holding; see www.uandiplc.com/ investors for more details.

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

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#### **Human rights**

This report does not contain information about any policies of the Group in relation to human rights issues since it is not considered necessary for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the Group's business activity due to the existing regulatory requirements in the UK. The Company does have policies which adhere to internationally proclaimed human rights principles.

In the 13-month period to 31 March 2019, the Group is not aware of any incident in which the Group's activities have resulted in an abuse of human rights.

## Equal opportunity, diversity and disability

The Board acknowledges the importance of diversity in all forms and is committed to the principle of equal opportunity in employment. Current and potential employees are offered the same opportunities regardless of gender, gender reassignment, race, colour, religion, nationality, ethnic origin, age, sexual orientation, marital status or disability. It is the Group's policy to apply best practice in the employment of

disabled people, including, wherever possible, the retraining and retention of staff who become disabled during their employment.

Details of the gender diversity within the Company as at 31 March 2019 can be found in the Sustainability Report on page 80.

#### **Employee engagement**

The Group recognises the importance of engaging its employees and keeps them regularly informed on matters affecting them through various media, including the display of notices in communal areas, memoranda and emails, presentations, meetings and the Company's intranet and website. In accordance with the new Corporate Governance Code applicable to the Company for the year commencing 1 April 2019, the Company intends to establish a Workforce Engagement Panel chaired by an independent Non-executive Director, reporting directly into the Board. Further information regarding employee engagement can be found on pages 80 and 127.

It is the Directors' belief that employees are instrumental in the continued improvement in the Group's performance and they are committed to encouraging and facilitating the continuing professional development of employees to ensure they are equipped to perform their particular roles. Training and development are provided and available to all employees.

The Company operates a number of share option schemes which seek to incentivise and reward employees for the sustainable creation of shareholder value over the longer term.

#### Independent auditors

Our auditors, PwC, have indicated their willingness to continue in office. The Board, on the advice of the Audit and Risk Committee, recommends their reappointment, and a resolution that they be re-appointed will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

#### Post balance sheet events

Details of events which have occurred since 31 March 2019, and up to the date of this report, are disclosed in note 27 to the Consolidated financial statements.

#### Greenhouse gas emissions

The Company has reported greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in line with the

requirements set out in the Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Directors' Report) Regulations 2013. The Company's GHG emissions are reported based on an operational control boundary for sources of emissions falling within the Company's consolidated financial statements. The reporting period for GHG emissions is 1 March 2018 to 31 March 2019, which aligns with the financial reporting year covered by the Directors' Report. The reporting period is therefore 13 months due to the change in financial year-end, compared to the 12-month reporting period for the previous year (ending 28 Februáry 2018).

The Company has used the GHG Protocol Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard (revised edition), and Defra GHG Conversion Factors for Company Reporting 2018 for the financial year ending 31 March 2019 to calculate its GHG emissions (see Table 4 below).

An intensity ratio of GHG emissions per square foot of investment property managed and property occupied by the Company is reported (see Table 5 below).

#### Table 4

Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions Scope (tCO₂e)	Reporting year ended 31 March 2019	Reporting year ended 28 February 2018
Scope 1 <sup>a,b,d</sup>	506	341
Scope 2 <sup>c,d</sup>	734	1,107
Total	1,240	1,448

- a Scope 1 covers emissions from direct combustion of fuel from operation of properties and company owned vehicles.
   b Fugitive emissions data from use of air conditioning was not available for this
- b Fugitive emissions data from use of air conditioning was not available for this report, in the absence of data it was considered that a reasonable estimation could not be calculated based on the limited information available.
- C Scope 2 covers emission from electricity purchased for own use. There were no purchases of heat, steam and cooling for own use in the reporting period.
   d Where gas/electricity consumption data was not available to cover all months
- d Where gas/electricity consumption data was not available to cover all months of the reporting period, an estimation of the emissions have been calculated using an average of gas/electricity consumption from the overall available data for properties within the reporting scope.

#### Table 5

Intensity Ratio (tCO <sub>2</sub> e/sq.ft)	Reporting year ended 31 March 2019	Reporting year ended 28 February 2018
GHG emissions per square foot of property occupied	0.005	0.006
GHG emissions per square foot of investment property managed	0.002	0.001

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## Disclosure of information to auditors

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

- So far as he/she is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Group's auditors are unaware; and
- He/she has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a Director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Group's auditors are aware of that information. This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on its behalf by:



Chris Barton, Company Secretary 21 May 2019

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  Information required to be disclosed in the Annual Report under Listing Rule 9.8.4R is marked with an asterisk( $^{\star}$ ).

# STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulation.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have prepared the Group financial statements in accordance with International **Financial Reporting** Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the European Union and Company financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', and applicable law). 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 Group and Company and of the profit or loss of the Group and Company for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- state whether applicable IFRSs as adopted by the European Union have been followed for the Group financial statements and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102, have been followed for the Company financial statements, 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 Group and Company will continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Group and Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Group and Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements and the Directors' Remuneration Report comply with the Companies Act 2006 and, as regards the Group financial statements, Article 4 of the IAS Regulation.

The Directors are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Group and Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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

The Directors consider that the Annual Report and Accounts, taken as a whole, is fair, balanced and understandable and provides the information necessary for shareholders to assess the Group and Company's performance, business model and strategy. Each of the Directors, whose names and functions are listed in the Board of Directors section on pages 99 to 101, confirm that, to the best of their knowledge:

- the Company financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', and applicable law), give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and loss of the Company;
- the Group financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the European Union, give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit of the Group; and
- the Directors' Report includes a fair review of the development and performance of the business and the position of the Group and Company, together with a description of the principal risks and uncertainties that it faces.

In the case of each Director in office at the date the Directors' Report is approved:

- so far as the Director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Group and Company's auditors are unaware; and
- they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a Director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Group and Company's auditors are aware of that information.

On behalf of the Board

Matthew Weiner, Chief Executive Officer 21 May 2019

Marcus Shepherd, Chief Financial Officer 21 May 2019

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF U AND I GROUP PLC

## Report on the audit of the financial statements Opinion

In our opinion:

 U and I Group PLC's Group financial statements and Company financial statements (the 'financial statements') give a true and fair view of the state of the Group's and of the Company's affairs as at 31 March 2019 and of the Group's profit and cash flows for the 13 month period (the 'period') then ended;

 the Group financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the European Union;

 the Company financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', and applicable law); and

 the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and, as regards the Group financial statements, Article 4 of the

IAS Regulation.

We have audited the financial statements, included within the Annual Report, which comprise: Consolidated and Company Balance Sheets as at 31 March 2019; the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement, and the Consolidated and Company Statement of Changes in Equity for the 13 month period then ended; and the notes to the financial statements, which include a description of the significant accounting policies.

Our opinion is consistent with our reporting to the Audit Committee.

**Basis for opinion** 

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

Independence

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

To the best of our knowledge and belief, we declare that non-audit services prohibited by the FRC's Ethical Standard were not provided to the Group or the Company.

Other than those disclosed in note 3 to the financial statements, we have provided no non-audit services to the Group or the Company in the period from 1 March 2018 to 31 March 2019.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF U AND I GROUP PLC CONTINUED

#### Our audit approach Overview



- Overall Group materiality: £6.2 million (2018: £6.7 million), based on 1% of total assets
- Specific Group materiality: £1.4 million (2018: £2.9 million), based on 5% adjusted profit before tax
- Overall Company materiality: £5.6 million (2018: £6.0 million), based on 1% of total assets
- All work in support of the Group and Company audit opinion is performed by the Group audit team
- Valuation of investment properties, either held directly or within joint ventures (Group)
- Carrying value of certain development and trading properties, either held directly or within joint ventures (Group)
- Carrying value and/or recoverability of certain financial assets (Group and Company)

#### The scope of our audit

As part of designing our audit, we determined materiality and assessed the risks of material misstatement in the financial statements.

## Capability of the audit in detecting irregularities, including fraud

Based on our understanding of the Group and Company and their industry, we identified that the principal risks of noncompliance with laws and regulations related to compliance with UK tax legislation and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the Group and Company financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the preparation of the Group and Company financial statements such as the Listing Rules and Companies Act 2006. We evaluated management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls), and determined that the principal risks were related to posting inappropriate journal entries to increase revenue or reduce expenditure, and management bias in accounting estimates and judgemental areas of the financial statements such as the valuation of investment properties, either held directly or within joint ventures, carrying value of certain development and trading properties, either held directly or within joint ventures, or the carrying value and/or recoverability of certain financial assets.

Audit procedures performed by the Group engagement team included:

- Discussions with management and those charged with governance in relation to known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations and fraud;
- Challenging assumptions and judgements made by management in their significant accounting estimates, in particular in relation to the valuation of investment properties, either held directly or within joint ventures, the carrying value of certain development and trading properties, either held directly or within joint ventures or the carrying value and/or recoverability of certain financial assets (see related key audit matters below); and
- Identifying and testing journal entries, in particular any journal entries posted to revenue with unusual account combinations or posted by senior management.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it. Also, 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.

#### Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in the auditors' professional judgement, were of most significance in the 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) identified by the auditors, including 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, and any comments we make on the results of our procedures thereon, were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. This is not a complete list of all risks identified by our audit.

Key audit matter

## Valuation of investment properties, either held directly or within joint ventures (Group)

(Refer to note 9 to the financial statements, pages 189 to 191, and also to note 13 to the financial statements, pages 193 to 198 and page 124, Audit and Risk Committee Report)

The Group directly owns, or owns via joint ventures, a portfolio of investment properties located throughout the UK and Ireland, predominantly retail units and shopping centres. The total value of the directly held portfolio is £154.0 million as per the consolidated balance sheet. Included within investments in joint ventures of £103.9 million as per the consolidated balance sheet are investment properties. The Group's share of the net assets of which these investment properties are included is £7.9 million.

The majority of valuations are carried out by third party valuers in accordance with the RICS Valuation – Professional Standards and IFRSs as adopted by the European Union. A small element of the portfolio (£15.2 million) is valued internally by the directors.

There are significant judgements and estimates inherent in the valuation of the investment property portfolio. Where available, the valuations take into account evidence of market transactions for properties and locations comparable to those of the Group's properties. The wider challenges currently facing the UK retail real estate occupier and investor markets further contributed to the subjectivity for the period ended 31 March 2019.

The most significant judgements and estimates affecting all the valuations include yields and estimated rental value ('ERV') (as described in note 9 of the financial statements).

The existence of significant estimation uncertainty, coupled with the fact that only a small percentage difference in individual property valuations when aggregated could result in material misstatement, is why we have given specific audit focus and attention to this area.

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

The valuers used by the Group and joint ventures are CBRE, Savills and Lambert Smith Hampton (LSH). They are all well-known and established firms. We assessed the competence and capabilities of the firms and verified their qualifications. We also assessed their independence by discussing the scope of their work and reviewing the terms of their engagement for unusual terms or fee arrangements. Based on this work, we are satisfied that they remain independent and competent and that the scope of their work was appropriate.

We tested the data inputs underpinning the investment property valuations for a sample of properties, including rental income, acquisitions and capital expenditure, by agreeing them to the underlying property records held by the Group. The underlying property records were themselves tested back to signed and approved lease contracts or sale/purchase contracts and approved third party invoices as applicable.

We obtained details of each property held by the Group and set an expected range for yield and capital value movement, determined by reference to published benchmarks and using our experience and knowledge of the market. We compared the investment yields used by the valuers with the range of expected yields and the year on year capital movement to our expected range. We also considered the reasonableness of other assumptions that are not so readily comparable with published benchmarks, such as Estimated Rental Value.

We attended meetings with management and the valuers, at which the valuations and the key assumptions therein were discussed. Our work covered the valuation of each property held directly or indirectly by the Group.

Where assumptions were outside the expected range or otherwise appeared unusual, and/or valuations showed unexpected movements, we undertook further investigations and, when necessary, held further discussions with the valuers and obtained evidence to support explanations received. The valuation commentaries provided by the valuers and supporting evidence, enabled us to consider the property specific factors that may have had an impact on value, including recent comparable transactions where appropriate.

We found that the assumptions used by the valuers were predominantly consistent with our expectations and comparable benchmarking information for the asset type, and that the assumptions were applied appropriately and reflected those available comparable market transactions. Where assumptions did not fall within our expected range we were satisfied that variances were due to property specific factors. We concluded that the assumptions used in the valuations were supported by the evidence we obtained.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF U AND I GROUP PLC CONTINUED

Key audit matter

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

## Carrying value of certain development and trading properties, either held directly or within joint ventures (Group)

(Refer to note 14 to the financial statements on page 198 and also to note 13, pages 193 to 198 and to page 124, Audit and Risk Committee Report)

The Group directly owns, or owns via joint ventures, a portfolio of development and trading properties. These properties are held at the lower of cost and net realisable value in accordance with IAS 2 – Inventory. As qualifying costs are incurred on existing developments, these are added to the asset balance.

The total value of the Group's directly held development and trading properties is £203.8 million as at 31 March 2019. Included within investments in joint ventures of £103.9 million as per the consolidated balance sheet are development and trading properties. The Group's share of the net assets of which these development and trading properties are included is £96.0 million.

The portfolio consists of a variety of assets located throughout the UK and Ireland. It includes assets subject to significant judgements as a result of contractor and development risk and assets acquired during periods in which market values were higher than currently.

We identified those properties within the portfolio where there has been significant investment, an adverse planning decision, or an impairment in the period and these where subject to additional focus. A change in conditions for these specific assets or a relatively small percentage change in either the property or construction markets could result in a material impact to the financial statements.

We have reviewed the development appraisals produced by management that support the assessment of the net realisable value for individual assets. We assessed the competence and capabilities of management in producing these appraisals and were satisfied that the individuals are sufficiently qualified.

We met with management, along with our valuations specialists, to understand the status and future plans for each asset. We also visited a number of the development sites.

We challenged management on cost and revenue assumptions within the development appraisals, and compared assumptions to readily-available market data and recent comparable market transactions. Where applicable due to the advanced stage of the development, we also agreed third party supporting the book value through a review of pre-letting agreements, forward sales, quantity surveyor cost to complete estimates, board minutes and planning consent forms.

We tested qualifying cost additions during the period, on a sample basis, to third party invoices, and budgeted costs to complete compared with supporting evidence (for example construction contracts). We tested acquisitions and disposals by agreeing back to relevant sales agreements and bank statements.

Additionally, we performed a look-back test, comparing historical book values of assets to disposal proceeds following their sale.

Based on this work we were satisfied with the evidence that development and trading properties were held at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Key audit matter

## Carrying value and/or recoverability of certain financial assets – Group and Company

(Refer to note 17 to the financial statements, pages 200 to 207, and also to page 124, Audit and Risk Committee Report)

The Group and Company hold a number of indirect property interests on the Consolidated and Company balance sheets that are classified as:

Financial assets held at amortised cost – split between – £3.2 million in non-current assets (Group), £9.0 million – current assets (Group and Company).

Financial assets held at fair value through profit and loss – split between – £13.2 million in non-current assets (Group), £13.6 million current assets (Group and Company)

The financial asset amounts reported are assessed through valuation of underlying assets, businesses or ventures that the Group and Company has lent money or invested into. We focussed on this area as there are significant judgements and estimates inherent in the amounts reported within the financial statements.

There continues to be a risk associated with the recoverability of the Northpoint Development loan notes (£9 million financial assets held at amortised cost and £5.2 million of the current £13.6 million of financial assets held at fair value through profit and loss), which rely on a number of property developments being completed over the next five year period.

The current financial assets held at fair value through profit and loss balance of £13.6 million includes an amount due of £8.4 million from Curzon Park Limited. The loan value has been determined by management estimating the fair value due to Curzon Park Limited of the land that was subject to a compulsory purchase order during the period.

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

We have obtained supporting documentation for the classification and assessment of carrying value of the financial assets reported within the financial statements.

Where the amounts recorded are supported by underlying asset or investment valuations, we benchmarked and sensitised management's assumptions. This included obtaining support for expectations of future disposals, comparison of expected sales prices to publically available market data and the benchmarking of future cost assumptions to current live developments within the portfolio.

For loan repayments in the period we tested cash received through to bank statements.

In relation to the loans to Northpoint Developments Limited, we held discussions with management and obtained the appraisals supporting the profitability of the underlying schemes, corroborating this to publically available market data and costs incurred to date. We tested cash receipts received in relation to part repayment of the working capital loans received during the period through to bank statements and obtained supporting evidence for movements in the underlying property appraisals that have supported a fair value uplift on the remaining balance.

In relation to the Curzon Park financial asset, we have reviewed legal documentation and challenged management's estimate of the fair value of the land, including reviewing the external assessment supporting the land value at the date of compulsory purchase. We have agreed the advance payment received during the period in cash to the bank statement.

Based on this work, we are satisfied that the financial assets held at amortised cost or fair value through profit and loss are not materiality misstated.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF U AND I GROUP PLC CONTINUED

#### How we tailored the audit scope

We tailored the scope of our audit to ensure that we performed enough work to be able to give an opinion on the financial statements as a whole, taking into account the structure of the Group and the Company, the accounting processes and controls, and the industry in which they operate.

All work in support of the Group audit opinion is performed by the Group audit team.

#### Materiality

The scope of our audit was influenced by our application of materiality. We set certain quantitative thresholds for materiality. These, together with qualitative considerations, helped us to determine the scope of our audit and the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures on the individual financial statement line items and disclosures and in evaluating the effect of misstatements, both individually and in aggregate on the financial statements as a whole.

Based on our professional judgement, we determined materiality for the financial statements as a whole as follows:

	Group financial statements	Company financial statements
Overall materiality	£6.2 million (2018: £6.7 million).	£6.1 million (2018: £6.0 million).
How we determined it	1% of total assets.	1% of total assets.
Rationale for benchmark applied	We determined materiality based on total assets given the valuation of investment properties, development and trading properties, whether held directly or through joint ventures and associates, is the key determinant of the Group's value.	The Company's main activity is the holding of investments in subsidiaries. Given this, we set an overall Company materiality level based on total assets.
Specific materiality	£1.4 million (2018: £5.9 million).	Not applicable
How we determined it	5% of adjusted profit	Not applicable
Rationale for benchmark applied	A number of key performance indicators of the Group are driven by income statement items and we therefore also applied a lower specific materiality for testing determinants of profit, excluding the revaluation movements of investment properties, loss on disposal of investment properties and net finance costs.	Not applicable

We agreed with the Audit and Risk Committee that we would report to them misstatements identified during our audit above £0.3 million (Group audit) (2018: £0.3 million) and £0.3 million (Company audit) (2018: £0.3 million) as well as misstatements below those amounts that, in our view, warranted reporting for qualitative reasons.

#### Going concern

In accordance with ISAs (UK) we report as follows:

Reporting obligation	Outcome
We are required to report if we have anything material to add or draw attention to in respect of the directors' statement in	We have nothing material to add or to draw attention to.
the financial statements about whether the directors considered it appropriate to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements and the directors' identification of any material uncertainties to the Group's and the Company's ability to continue as a going concern over a period of at least twelve months from the date of approval of the financial statements.	However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this statement is not a guarantee as to the Group's and Company's ability to continue as a going concern. For example, the terms on which the United Kingdom may withdraw from the European Union are not clear, and it is difficult to evaluate all of the potential implications on the Group's trade, customers, suppliers and the wider economy.
We are required to report if the directors' statement relating to Going Concern in accordance with Listing Rule 9.8.6R(3) is materially inconsistent with our knowledge obtained in the audit.	We have nothing to report.

#### Reporting on other information

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

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

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

Based on the responsibilities described above and our work undertaken in the course of the audit, the Companies Act 2006 (CA06), ISAs (UK) and the Listing Rules of the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) require us also to report certain opinions and matters as described below (required by ISAs (UK) unless otherwise stated).

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF U AND I GROUP PLC CONTINUED

#### Strategic Report and Directors' Report

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, the information given in the Strategic Report and Directors' Report for the period ended 31 March 2019 is consistent with the financial statements and has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements. (CA06)

In light of the knowledge and understanding of the Group and Company and their environment obtained in the course of the audit, we did not identify any material misstatements in the Strategic Report and Directors' Report. (CA06)

#### Corporate Governance Statement

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, the information given in the Corporate Governance Statement (on pages 94 to 156) about internal controls and risk management systems in relation to financial reporting processes and about share capital structures in compliance with rules 7.2.5 and 7.2.6 of the Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules sourcebook of the FCA ('DTR') is consistent with the financial statements and has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements. (CA06)

In light of the knowledge and understanding of the Group and Company and their environment obtained in the course of the audit, we did not identify any material misstatements in this information. (CA06)

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, the information given in the Corporate Governance Statement (on pages 94 to 156) with respect to the Company's corporate governance code and practices and about its administrative, management and supervisory bodies and their committees complies with rules 7.2.2, 7.2.3 and 7.2.7 of the DTR. (CA06)

We have nothing to report arising from our responsibility to report if a corporate governance statement has not been prepared by the Company. (CA06)

## The directors' assessment of the prospects of the Group and of the principal risks that would threaten the solvency or liquidity of the Group

We have nothing material to add or draw attention to regarding:

- The directors' confirmation on page 102 of the Annual Report that they have carried out a robust assessment of the principal risks facing the Group, including those that would threaten its business model, future performance, solvency or liquidity.
- The disclosures in the Annual Report that describe those risks and explain how they are being managed or mitigated.
- The directors' explanation on page 102 of the Annual Report as to how they have assessed the prospects of the Group, over what period they have done so and why they consider that period to be appropriate, and their statement as to whether they have a reasonable expectation that the Group will be able to continue in operation and meet its liabilities as they fall due over the period of their assessment, including any related disclosures drawing attention to any necessary qualifications or assumptions.

We have nothing to report having performed a review of the directors' statement that they have carried out a robust assessment of the principal risks facing the Group and statement in relation to the longer-term viability of the Group. Our review was substantially less in scope than an audit and only consisted of making inquiries and considering the directors' process supporting their statements; checking that the statements are in alignment with the relevant provisions of the UK Corporate Governance Code (the 'Code'); and considering whether the statements are consistent with the knowledge and understanding of the Group and Company and their environment obtained in the course of the audit. (Listing Rules)

#### Other Code Provisions

We have nothing to report in respect of our responsibility to report when:

- The statement given by the directors, on page 102, that they consider the Annual Report taken as a whole to be fair, balanced and understandable, and provides the information necessary for the members to assess the Group's and Company's position and performance, business model and strategy is materially inconsistent with our knowledge of the Group and Company obtained in the course of performing our audit.
- The section of the Annual Report on pages 121 to 126 describing the work of the Audit and Risk Committee does not appropriately address matters communicated by us to the Audit and Risk Committee.
- The directors' statement relating to the Company's compliance with the Code does not properly disclose a departure from a relevant provision of the Code specified, under the Listing Rules, for review by the auditors.

#### Directors' Remuneration

In our opinion, the part of the Directors' Remuneration Report to be audited has been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006. (CA06)

Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit Responsibilities of the directors for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities set out on page 156, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable framework and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The directors are also responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Group's and 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 Group or the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

## Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

#### Use of this report

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

#### Other required reporting

Companies Act 2006 exception reporting

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

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

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

#### **Appointment**

Following the recommendation of the Audit and Risk Committee, we were appointed by the members on 28 May 2008 to audit the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008 and subsequent financial periods. The period of total uninterrupted engagement is 11 years, covering the years ended 31 December 2008 to 31 March 2019.

#### Sandra Dowling (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors London

21 May 2019

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE 13-MONTH PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

#### 13-month period ended Year ended 31 March 28 February 2019 2018 Total Total £'000 Notes £'000 173,684 Revenue 150.310 2 Direct costs (123,449)(117,477)**Gross profit** 2 26,861 56,207 2 Operating costs (21,859)(24, 235)2 (Loss)/gain on disposal of investment properties (223)3,324 9 (11, 165)(2,417)Loss on revaluation of property portfolio Operating (loss)/profit 3 32,879 (6,386)Other income 2,547 2,089 2 12,128 16,175 Share of post-tax profits of joint ventures and associates Profit from sale of investments 2 3,888 6,713 (Loss)/gain on sale of other plant and equipment (42)5 57,861 Profit before interest and income tax 12,135 Finance income 5(a) 617 94 Finance costs 5(b)(6,432)(9,783)Profit before income tax 48,172 6,320 6 (7,916)(1,120)Income tax Profit for the period/year 5,200 40,256 OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME Profit for the period/year 5,200 40,256 Items that may be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss: Currency translation differences 163 292 10 35 Revaluation of operating property 40 Total comprehensive income for the period/year 5.403 40.583 8 Basic earnings per share attributable to the Parent\* 4.2p 32.2p

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4.2p

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Diluted earnings per share attributable to the Parent\*

All amounts in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income relate to continuing operations.

The notes on pages 170 to 213 are an integral part of these Consolidated financial statements.

<sup>\*</sup> Adjusted earnings per share from continuing activities is given in note 8.

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2019

		3	1 March 2019	28 F	ebruary 2018
	Notes	£′000	£′000	£′000	£′000
NON-CURRENT ASSETS					
Direct real estate interests					
Investment properties	9	154,041		139,506	
Operating property	10	750		775	
Trade and other receivables	15(a)	4,617		2,487	
			159,408		142,768
Indirect real estate interests					
Investments in associates	13(a)	5,763		_	
Investments in joint ventures	13(b)	103,870		92,806	
Intangible assets – goodwill	11	2,328		2,328	
Financial assets at amortised cost	17(a)	3,204		_	
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	17(a)	13,244		_	
Financial assets – available-for-sale	17(a)	_		15,812	
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	17(a)	1,271		_	
			129,680		110,946
Other non-current assets			.,		,
Other plant and equipment	12	4,594		4,241	
Derivative financial instruments	17(c)	_		10	
Deferred income tax assets	18	1,294		1,225	
			5,888		5,476
Total non-current assets			294,976	-	259,190
CURRENT ASSETS	-	-	_0 ./010		200,100
Inventory – development and trading properties	14	203,759		216,393	
Financial assets at amortised cost	17(a)	8,962		8,888	
Financial assets at amortised cost  Financial assets – available-for-sale	17(a) 17(a)	0,302		7,949	
Financial assets – available-ior-sale Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	17(a) 17(a)	13,672		7,343	
Trade and other receivables	17(a) 15(b)	60,426		119,629	
	13(b)				
Monies held in restricted accounts and deposits  Cash and cash equivalents		8,841 31,911		11,473 40,626	
Casil alla casil equivalents		31,311	707 574	40,020	404.050
T . I .		-	327,571		404,958
Total assets	_		622,547		664,148
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>					
Trade and other payables	16(a)	(77,286)		(99,716)	
Current income tax liabilities		(1,230)		(7,748)	
Borrowings	17(b)	(37,394)		(63,209)	
Provisions	16(b)	(36)		(2,513)	
			(115,946)		(173,186)
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Borrowings	17(b)	(142,362)		(107,975)	
Deferred income tax liabilities	18	(3,448)		(3,290)	
Provisions	16(b)	(646)		(416)	
			(146,456)		(111,681)
Total liabilities			(262,402)		(284,867)
Net assets			360,145		379,281
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Share capital	19	62,716		62,671	
Share premium	20	104,590		104,475	
Other reserves	20	54,457		56,628	
Retained earnings	20	138,382		155,507	
Total equity		,	360,145		379,281
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Basic/diluted net assets per share attributable to the owners of the Parent	8		289p/289p		303p/303p

The notes on pages 170 to 213 are an integral part of these Consolidated financial statements. Approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 21 May 2019 and signed on its behalf by:

#### M S Weiner

Director

## **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE 13-MONTH PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2019**

		Share	Share	Other	Retained	Total
	Notes	capital £′000	premium £'000	reserves £'000	earnings £'000	equity £'000
At 1 March 2017	Notes	62,613	104,325	54,551	126,136	347,625
Profit for the year ended 28 February 2018		02,010	10 1,020	0 1,00 1	40,256	40,256
Other comprehensive income:		_	_	_	40,230	40,230
Revaluation of operating property				35		35
Currency translation differences		_	_	292	_	292
				232		232
Total comprehensive income for the year ended 28 February 2018				327	40,256	40,583
,	00		150	321	40,230	
Issue of Ordinary shares	20	58	150	1 750	_	208
Share-based payments	20	_	_	1,750	- (4.770)	1,750
Final dividend 2017	7	_	_	_	(4,379)	(4,379)
Supplemental dividend 2017	7	_	_	_	(3,503)	(3,503)
Interim dividend 2018	7				(3,003)	(3,003)
Total contributions by and distributions to owners			450	4 750	(40.005)	(0.007)
of the Company		58	150	1,750	(10,885)	(8,927)
Balance at 28 February 2018		62,671	104,475	56,628	155,507	379,281
Profit for the 13-month period ended						
31 March 2019		_	_	_	5,200	5,200
Other comprehensive income:						
– Revaluation of operating property		_	_	40	_	40
<ul> <li>Currency translation differences</li> </ul>			_	163	_	163
Total comprehensive income for the period ended						
31 March 2019			_	203	5,200	5,403
Issue of Ordinary shares	20	45	115	_	_	160
Share-based payments (net movement)	20	_	-	(1,081)	109	(972)
Treasury shares (net movement)	20	_	_	(1,293)	_	(1,293)
Final dividend 2018	7	_	_	_	(4,390)	(4,390)
Supplemental dividend 2018	7	_	_	_	(15,033)	(15,033)
Interim dividend 2019	7	_	_	_	(3,011)	(3,011)
Total contributions by and distributions to owners						
of the Company		45	115	(2,374)	(22,325)	(24,539)
Balance at 31 March 2019		62,716	104,590	54,457	138,382	360,145

The notes on pages 170 to 213 are an integral part of these Consolidated financial statements.

## **CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT**

## FOR THE 13-MONTH PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

	Notes	31 March 2019 £'000	28 February 2018 £'000
CASH GENERATED FROM/(USED IN) OPERATIONS			
Cash flows generated from/(used in) operating activities	21	31,562	(211)
Interest paid		(7,189)	(9,140)
Income tax paid		(7,550)	(296)
Net cash generated from/(used in) operating activities		16,823	(9,647)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received		417	3,803
Proceeds on disposal of other plant and equipment		10	5
Proceeds on disposal of investment properties		7,293	39,253
Proceeds from sale of investments		10,506	-
Purchase of other plant and equipment		(1,225)	(822)
Purchase of investment properties		(30,496)	(2,432)
Investment in joint ventures		(31,351)	(31,535)
Cash inflow from joint ventures and associates – disposals		-	4,000
Cash inflow from joint ventures and associates – profit distribution		-	6,482
Cash inflow from joint ventures and associates – dividends		17,654	-
Cash inflow from joint ventures and associates – repayment of loan		8,998	972
Cash outflow for financial asset loans		(3,784)	(5,676)
Cash inflow from financial assets – loans repaid by other real estate businesses		10,518	10,455
Net cash (used in)/generated from investing activities		(11,460)	24,505
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		400 400	// 0 00=1
Dividends paid		(22,434)	(10,885)
Issue of new shares		160	208
Purchase of treasury shares		(1,293)	(400 500)
Repayments of borrowings		(38,233)	(120,529)
New bank loans raised		46,013	118,110
Transaction costs associated with borrowings		(923)	(922)
Cash released from restricted accounts		31,910	27,434
Cash retained by restricted accounts		(29,278)	(11,421)
Net cash (used in)/generated from financing activities		(14,078)	1,995
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(8,715)	16,853
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		40,626	23,785
Exchange loss on cash and cash equivalents		_	(12)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period/year		31,911	40,626
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CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS COMPRISE: Cash at bank and in hand		71 011	40.626
Bank overdrafts	17(b)	31,911	40,626
	17(0)	71.011	40.000
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period/year		31,911	40,626
NET DEBT COMPRISES:			
Monies held in restricted accounts and deposits		8,841	11,473
Cash and cash equivalents		31,911	40,626
Financial liabilities:		01,011	10,020
- Current borrowings	17(b)	(37,394)	(63,209)
- Non-current borrowings	17(b)	(142,362)	(107,975)
Net debt	. (/	(139,004)	(119,085)
		(100/001)	(1.10,000)

An analysis of the movement in net debt is provided in note 21.

The notes on pages 170 to 213 are an integral part of these Consolidated financial statements.

### FOR THE 13-MONTH PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2019

## 1 Basis of preparation and accounting policies

(i) General information

The Consolidated financial statements of the Group for the 13-month period ended 31 March 2019 comprise the results of U and I Group PLC and its subsidiaries and were authorised by the Board for issue on 21 May 2019.

The Company is a public limited company which is listed on the London Stock Exchange and is incorporated and domiciled in the UK. The address of its registered office is 7A Howick Place, London SW1P 1DZ.

(ii) Going concern

The Group meets its day to day working capital requirements through its cash reserves and bank facilities. The current economic conditions continue to create uncertainty. The Group produces regular forecasts and cash flow projections to confirm that it can continue to operate within the level of its existing banking facilities. The Group considers the risks and uncertainties highlighted in the Viability Statement when reviewing its projections. Following this review, the Directors consider it appropriate to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing its Consolidated financial statements.

b) Basis of preparation

The Group's financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) and IFRS Interpretations Committee (IFRSIC) interpretation as adopted by the European Union and with the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies reporting under IFRS. The accounting policies which follow set out those policies which were applied consistently in preparing the financial statements for the 13-month period ended 31 March 2019 and the year ended 28 February 2018.

The Consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis and under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investment property, operating property, financial assets classified as fair value through profit or loss (FVPL) or fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI), financial liabilities and derivative instruments at fair value through profit and loss.

c) Critical accounting judgements and estimates

When preparing the Group financial statements, management are required to make judgements, assumptions and estimates concerning the future. These iudgements and assumptions are made at the time the financial statements are prepared and adopted based on the best information available. Actual outcomes may be different from initial estimates and are reflected in the financial statements as soon as they become apparent. Management believe that the underlying assumptions are appropriate. Areas requiring judgements or estimates are discussed in the following section.

### Judgements other than estimates

1.1 Classification of directly owned property assets

The Group earns revenue from property development, trading and investment, and operating serviced offices.

Property development includes the entire development process from identification of an opportunity through to construction, letting and sale of a completed scheme. This activity is undertaken both on the Group's own Balance Sheet and in partnership with institutional investors, usually via a pre-sale of the completed development.

Property trading refers to participation in the development process, where the Group acquires an interest in land and enhances the potential development, for instance by procuring or changing planning permission, before selling on to a third party to complete the development.

Property investment represents the acquisition of income-generating real estate which is held for the purposes of income and capital gain, through active asset management.

In most cases the property interest is held directly by the Group and is classified either as investment property (refer note 9) or as inventory for development and trading properties (refer note 14).

The varied nature of the Group's properties is such that a number exhibit characteristics consistent with more than one classification; also, the Directors' strategy for an asset may change during its ownership. The Directors determine the status of each asset according to their intention on acquisition. A change in classification is made only in exceptional circumstances, where the strategy and use have demonstrably changed. Two assets have been reclassified from inventory to investment properties during the period (refer note 9).

1.2 Classification of projects in partnership

In addition to its directly owned and managed activities, the Group participates in similar activities in partnership with others, typically to access expertise in different locations or market sectors. The Group's financial participation may be by way of equity investment or loan. In each case a judgement is required as to the status of the Group's interest, as an associate, a joint venture, a joint operation or a financial

asset, typically focusing on the extent of control exercised by the Group.

The Group's share of control is governed and achieved by a mixture of rights set out in agreements and participation in the management of each business. The exercise of control in practice does not always follow the legal structure. The Directors have considered the position in respect of each venture, taking account of the operation in practice, and have determined the status of each accordingly.

These investments are reported under the relevant balance sheet headings, with a summary in note 26.

1.3 Acquisition of subsidiaries

The Group sometimes acquires properties through the purchase of entities which own real estate. At the time of acquisition, the Group considers whether the transaction represents the acquisition of a business. In cases where the entity is capable of being operated as a business, or an integrated set of activities is acquired in addition to the property, the Group accounts for the acquisition as a business combination. When the acquisition does not represent a business, it is accounted for as the purchase of a group of assets and liabilities. In making this distinction, the Group considers the number of items of land and buildings owned by the entity, the extent of ancillary services provided by the entity, and whether the entity has its own staff to manage the property (over and above the maintenance and security of the premises).

## Estimates 1.4 Valuation of property assets

The key source of estimation uncertainty rests in the values of property assets, which affects several categories of assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

The investment portfolio (and the operating property) are stated at fair value, which requires a number of judgements and estimates in assessing the qualities of the Group's assets relative to market transactions. Details of the judgements and assumptions made are set out in notes 1(i), 1(j), 9 and 10.

The same uncertainties affect the determination of fair value of certain financial instruments, described in note 17, with the further complexity that the value of these assets requires estimates of future construction costs, tenant demand and market yields.

The Group's development and trading properties are carried at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The determination of net realisable value relies upon similar estimates, with the added challenge, in some cases, of judgements about uncertain planning outcomes. These amounts are disclosed in note 14.

#### 1.5 Impairment reviews

During the period, the Curzon Park site was subject to a compulsory purchase order (CPO) and the Group received an initial payment of compensation. The Directors are continuing their negotiations with the Government regarding the final settlement due for the site. The timing and amount of future receipts remain uncertain, however, following consultations with CPO advisors as to the minimum amount expected to receive, the Directors have reversed £4,613,000 of the impairment previously booked against the Group's joint venture holding. The expected credit loss in respect of the site is discussed further in note 17(a).

## 1.6 Derivative financial instruments

The Group is party to a number of interest rate swap agreements which are accounted for as derivatives and measured at fair value. The estimation of this figure is based upon market assumptions about future movements in interest and exchange rates. The estimated fair values and the movements in the period/year are set out in note 17(c).

## 1.7 Group Long-Term Incentive Plan (LTIP)

During the period, the Group made awards to staff under the Group's LTIP. The awards vest according to a number of performance criteria, the primary measure being net asset value growth over a three-year period. In calculating the provision to accrue, management are required to estimate net asset growth over the vesting period. The estimate is reassessed at each reporting date. Following assessment, the 2016 LTIP will not vest and previous provisions have been reversed.

#### 1.8 Revenue

The Group develops and sells properties. The development or sale contract will specify certain conditions which need to be satisfied and considered highly probable in order for revenue to be recognised. The Directors need to consider the terms within each contract in order to determine the amount and when revenue is recognised. The Directors will also need to consider the certainty surrounding the payment of contingent or variable consideration.

## d) New and amended accounting standards

The following new standards and amendments have been adopted by the Group for the first time for the financial period beginning 1 March 2018:

- IFRS 9, Financial
- IFRS 15, Revenue from Contracts with Customers

- Amendments to IAS 40, Investment Property
- The Group has amended its accounting policies following the adoption of IFRS 9 and IFRS 15.

The Group adopted the amendments to IAS 40 using the prospective application method as permitted by the standard. The Group has assessed the impact of the amendment on the classification of existing property as at 1 March 2018 and has concluded that no reclassifications are required on adoption of the amendment.

A number of new standards, amendments and interpretations are effective for accounting periods commencing after 1 March 2019 and have not been applied in preparing these financial statements. The Group does not expect any of the amendments to have a material impact on its financial statements of the Group or Company, except as stated below:

IFRS 16, 'Leases', was issued in January 2016 and is mandatory for the accounting period commencing 1 April 2019, with early adoption permitted. Under the new standard, the key change is that most operating leases will be accounted for on balance sheet for lessees, with the exception of short-term and low-value leases. Under the new standard, an asset (the right to use the leased item) and a financial liability to pay future rentals are recognised. The Group is currently assessing the impact of IFRS 16 on its current accounting practices. It is estimated that its implementation will increase both the assets and liabilities of the Group by approximately £13.2 million. Implementation will not have a material impact on the Group's Income Statement or net assets.

- IFRIC 23, 'Uncertainty over income tax treatments' was issued in June 2017 and clarifies the application of recognition and measurement requirement in IAS 12, 'Income Taxes', when there is uncertainty over income tax treatments. IFRIC 23 is effective for the accounting period commencing 1 April 2019, with early adoption permitted. The Group is currently assessing the impact of IFRIC 23
- Amendment to IFRS 3. 'Business combinations' is effective for periods beginning on or after 1 January 2020 with earlier application permitted and relates to whether a transaction meets the definition of a business combination. The amendment clarifies the definition of a business and gives the option for an entity to assess whether substantially all of the fair value of the gross assets acquired is concentrated in a single asset or group of assets. If such a concentration exists, the transaction is not viewed as an acquisition of a business and no further assessment is required. This will be relevant where the value of the acquired entity is concentrated in one property or a group of similar properties. There will be no impact on transition since the amendments are effective for business combinations acquired on or after the transition date.

There are no other IFRSs or IFRIC interpretations that are not yet effective that would be expected to have a material impact on the Group.

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#### 1 Basis of preparation and accounting policies continued

d) New and amended accounting standards continued

Changes in accounting policies

This note provides a summary of the impact of the adoption of IFRS 9 'Financial Instruments' and IFRS 15 'Revenue from Contracts with Customers' on the Group's Consolidated financial statements.

Impact on the Consolidated financial statements

As a result of the changes in the Group's accounting policies, the prior year Consolidated financial statements have been restated. Adoption of IFRS 9 has resulted in the reclassification of various financial assets. The reclassification is not reflected as at 28 February 2018 but are recognised in the opening Consolidated statement of financial position on 1 March 2018.

Adoption of IFRS 15 did not result in any restatement of the 2018 Consolidated financial statements. There was no impact from the adoption of IFRS 9 and IFRS 15 on retained reserves of the Group.

Any future gains or losses in respect of Financial assets through OCI will be recorded in the Net unrealised gain reserve.

The table below shows the adjustments for each individual line item:

	28 February 2018		
	as originally presented £'000	IFRS 9 £'000	1 March 2018 restated £'000
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		2 000	2 000
Direct real estate interests			
Investment properties	139,506	_	139,506
Operating property	775	-	775
Trade and other receivables	2,487	_	2,487
	142,768	_	142,768
Indirect real estate interests			
Investments in joint ventures	92,806	-	92,806
Intangible assets – goodwill	2,328	-	2,328
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL)	45.040	14,527	14,527
Financial assets – available-for-sale	15,812	(15,812)	
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)	110.040	1,285	1,285
Oth surround secretary	110,946	_	110,946
Other non-current assets Other plant and equipment	4,241		4,241
Derivative financial instruments	10	_	10
Deferred income tax assets	1,225	_	1,225
Bolotted income tax assets	5,476		5,476
Total non-current assets			
Total non-current assets	259,190		259,190
CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventory – development and trading properties	216,393	_	216,393
Financial assets at amortised cost	8,888	_	8,888
Financial assets available-for-sale	7,949	(7,949)	,
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	_	7,949	7,949
Trade and other receivables	119,629	_	119,629
Current income tax asset	_	_	_
Monies held in restricted accounts and deposits	11,473	-	11,473
Cash and cash equivalents	40,626	_	40,626
	404,958	_	404,958
Total assets	664,148	_	664,148

#### i. IFRS 9 Financial Instruments

IFRS 9 replaces the provisions of IAS 39 that relate to the recognition, classification and measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities, derecognition of financial instruments, impairment of financial assets and hedge accounting.

The adoption of IFRS 9 resulted in changes to accounting policies and adjustments to the amounts recognised in the Consolidated financial statements. The new accounting policies are set out in note 1 (n). There has been no impact on the Group's retained earnings following the adoption of IFRS 9.

On the date of initial application, 1 March 2018, the measurement categories of financial instruments of the Group were as shown in the table below.

Development loans
Development loans have
been reclassified from
available-for-sale financial
assets to FVPL as payments
do not comprise solely of

principal and interest receipts. They are held in order to participate in potential future profits. Any adjustment to fair value will be recognised in profit or loss.

La Salle Investment
The Group's investment in the
La Salle investment fund is
classified as FVOCI as the
return to the Group is
achieved by selling the assets
within the fund. This financial
asset has been reclassified
from available-for-sale.

Impairment of financial assets The Group has the following types of financial assets that are subject to IFRS 9's new expected credit loss model:

- Trade receivables for sales of inventory and investment assets
- Trade receivables for investment property tenants
- Loan notes and loans and receivables from other real estate businesses

Under IFRS 9, the Group is required to revise its impairment methodology for the class of financial assets above. From 1 March 2018, the Group has to assess on a forward-looking basis the

expected losses associated with its debt instruments carried at amortised cost and FVOCI. The impairment methodology depends on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk.

IFRS 9 Accounting policies applied and calculations of provisions are detailed in note 1(n).

#### ii. IFRS 15 Revenue from Contract with Customers

Impact of adoption
The Group has adopted IFRS
15 'Revenue from Contracts
with Customers' from
1 March 2018 and as a result
has reviewed its income
streams to establish whether
the policy changes have
resulted in adjustments to the
amounts recognised in the
28 February 2018 financial

statements

IFRS 15 is based on the principle that revenue is recognised when control of a good or service is transferred to a customer. It contains a single model that applies to contracts with customers and two approaches to recognising revenue: at a point in time or over time.

The model features a contract-based five-step analysis of transactions to determine whether, how much and when revenue is recognised. It applies to all contracts with customers except leases, financial instruments and insurance contracts. It requires reporting entities to provide users of financial statements with more informative and relevant disclosures.

Revenue is recognised over time if:

- The customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits as the entity performs
- The customer controls the asset as the entity creates or enhances it or
- The seller's performance does not create an asset for which the seller has an alternative use and there is a right to payment for performance to date.

Where the above criteria is not met, revenue is recognised at a point in time.

	Original (IAS 39)	IAS 39 carrying value £'000	New (IFRS 9)	IFRS 9 carrying value £'000
Development loans	Available-for-sale	14,527	FVPL	14,527
La Salle investment	Available-for-sale	1,285	FVOCI	1,285
Derivative financial instruments	FVPL	10	FVPL	10
Loan notes	Amortised cost	8,888	Amortised cost	8,888
Trade and other receivables	Available-for-sale	7,949	FVPL	7,949
Cash and cash equivalents	Amortised cost	40,626	Amortised cost	40,626

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#### 1 Basis of preparation and accounting policies continued

d) New and amended accounting standards continued

The following table summarises the changes in terminology with respect to the timing of revenue recognition between IAS 11 and IAS 18 compared to IFRS 15 and the new revenue recognition policies under IFRS 15. From our assessment of when performance obligations are satisfied, there is no change in the timing of revenue recognition when comparing the previous accounting policies to those now under IFRS 15.

Type of revenue	Description	Revenue recognition policy under IAS 11 and IAS 18	Revenue recognition policy under IFRS 15
Project management fees	The Group provides project management services on pre-funded or sold development schemes and earns fees over the course of a development contract term. Fees are invoiced monthly in line with draw down requests.	Recognised on an accruals basis based on the contract terms.	Over time
Trading property sales	Sales of inventory are recognised when significant conditions of the contract have been satisfied, this is generally on unconditional exchange of contracts.	Recognised once the risks and rewards of ownership have transferred to the purchaser.	Point in time
Development proceeds	Development revenue is recognised to match the proportion of development work completed on a percentage completion basis as determined by consultant monitoring surveyors or by a suitable method particular to the contract. The Group will only recognise revenue when the outcome can be determined with reasonable certainty.	Recognised once the risks and rewards of ownership have transferred to the purchaser.	Over time

Summary of significant accounting policies e) Basis of consolidation
The Consolidated financial statements of the Group include the financial statements of U and I Group PLC (the Company), its subsidiaries and its share of results of joint ventures and associates

Subsidiaries are all entities (including special purpose entities) over which the Group has control. The Group has control when it has rights to variable returns from its involvement in the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity. The Group is deemed to have control where it does not have more than 50% of the voting power but is able to govern the financial and operating policies by virtue of defacto control, taking account of how the entity operates in practice.

The results of subsidiaries acquired during the period are included from the effective date of acquisition,

being the date on which the Group obtains control. They are deconsolidated on the date that control ceases.

Where property is acquired, via corporate acquisition or otherwise, management consider the substance of the assets and activities of the acquired entity in determining whether the acquisition represents the acquisition of a business. The basis of the judgement is set out in note 1(c), 1.3.

Where such acquisitions are not judged to be an acquisition of a business, they are not treated as business combinations. Rather, the cost to acquire the corporate entity is allocated between the identifiable assets and liabilities of the entity based on their relative fair values at the acquisition date. Accordingly, no goodwill or additional deferred taxation arises. Otherwise, acquisitions are accounted for as business combinations. Business combinations are accounted for under the acquisition method. Any excess of the purchase price of the business combination over the fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities acquired is recognised as goodwill. Goodwill is tested annually for impairment and carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

If the business combination is achieved in stages, the acquisition date carrying value of the acquirer's previously held interest in the acquiree is re-measured to fair value at the acquisition date. Any gains or losses arising from re-measurement are recognised in profit or loss.

The consideration transferred for the acquisition of a subsidiary is the fair value of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred and the equity interests issued by the Group. This fair value includes any contingent consideration at the acquisition date. Any

subsequent change to the fair value of the contingent consideration that is deemed to be an asset or liability is recognised with either the profit or loss recognised in the income statement.

Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred.

The Group recognises any non-controlling interest on an acquisition-by-acquisition basis either at fair value or at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the identifiable net assets acquired.

Intra-Group balances and any unrealised gains and losses arising from intra-Group transactions are eliminated in preparing the Consolidated financial statements. Where necessary, adjustments have been made to the financial statements of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures to bring the accounting policies used and accounting periods into line with those of the Group.

## f) Associates and joint ventures

An associated company is defined as an undertaking other than a subsidiary or joint venture over which the Group has significant influence but not control, generally accompanying a shareholding of between 20% and 50% of the voting rights. Investments in associates are accounted using the equity method of accounting. The Group's investment in associates includes goodwill identified on acquisition.

The Group applies IFRS 11 to all joint arrangements. Under IFRS 11, investments in joint arrangements are classified as either joint operations or joint ventures depending on the contractual rights and obligations of each investor. The Group has assessed all of its joint arrangements and determined them to be joint ventures, accounted for using the equity method.

Under the equity method, the interest in associates or joint ventures is carried in the Consolidated Balance Sheet at cost adjusted thereafter for the Group's share of post-acquisition profits or losses, recognised in the Group income statement. When the Group's share of losses in an associate or joint venture equals or exceeds the Group's interest, including any unsecured receivables, the Group does not recognise further losses unless it has incurred obligations or made payments on behalf of the associate or joint venture.

### g) Intangible assets(i) Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the fair value of the Group's share of the net identifiable assets of the acquired subsidiary at the date of acquisition. Goodwill on acquisitions of subsidiaries is included in Intangible assets. Goodwill is tested annually, or more

frequently if circumstances change, for impairment and carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Any impairment is recognised immediately as an expense and is not subsequently reversed. Gains and losses on the disposal of an entity include the carrying amount of goodwill relating to the entity sold.

Goodwill is allocated to cash-generating units (CGUs) for the purpose of impairment testing. The allocation is made to those CGUs that are expected to benefit from the business combination in which the goodwill arose, identified according to operating segment.

#### (ii) Impairment of nonfinancial assets

Assets that have an indefinite useful life, for example goodwill, are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment. Assets that are subject to amortisation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be subsequently reversed. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell and value-in-use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (CGUs). Prior impairment of non-financial assets, other than goodwill, are reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

#### h) Revenue recognition

The Group recognises revenue when it is highly probable and when the specific criteria have been met for each of the Group's activities as described below.

- i. Rental income is recognised on a straightline basis over the term of the lease. Incentives for lessees to enter into lease agreements are spread evenly over the lease term, even if payments are not made on such a basis. The lease term is the non-cancellable period of the lease together with any further term for which the tenant has the option to continue the lease, where, at inception of the lease, the Directors are reasonably certain that the tenant will exercise that option. Lease incentives are usually in the form of rent-free periods and/or capital contributions. Assets held within both the investment and development and trading segments earn rental income.
- Lease surrender payments from tenants are recognised in income when they are contractually agreed.
- iii. Trading property sales are recognised when the significant conditions of the contract have been satisfied, which is normally on unconditional exchange of contracts. For conditional exchanges, sales are recognised only when all of the significant conditions are satisfied.
- iv. Licence fee income from serviced offices is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the licence. Other income from serviced offices is recognised when the service is provided.
- Project management fee income is recognised overtime in conjunction with the contract term for which project management services are provided.

- vi. Development revenue and profits are recognised in accordance with IFRS 15, 'Revenue from Contracts with Customers' and IFRIC 15 'Agreements for the Construction of Real Estate'. Where only the construction risk remains, the revenue and profit on the development are recognised so as to match the proportion of development work completed on a percentage completion basis as determined by consultant monitoring survevors or using a suitable method particular to the contract concerned. The Group will only recognise revenue when the outcome can be determined with reasonable certainty. Full provision is made for losses as soon as such losses are foreseen. Profits are recognised within the development and trading segment.
  - Some development contracts may include multiple elements. In such cases, the Group assesses whether individual elements have separate performance obligations. Where separate performance obligations exist, the transaction price will be allocated between each component based on stand-alone selling prices. Where selling prices are not identifiable, they are estimated based on an expected cost plus margin method.
- vii. Finance income is recognised by reference to the principal outstanding using the effective interest method and is included in Finance income in the income statement.
- viii. Dividend income from investments is recognised when the Group's right to receive income has been established.

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## 1 Basis of preparation and accounting policies continued

i) Investment properties

- i. Investment properties are those properties, including land holdings, that are held for long-term rental yields or for capital appreciation or both. Investment properties may be freehold or leasehold properties and must not be occupied by members of the Group. For leasehold properties that are classified as investment properties, the associated leasehold obligations are accounted for as finance lease obligations if they qualify to be treated as such.
- ii. Investment properties are measured initially at cost, including directly attributable transaction costs, and thereafter are stated at fair value. Surpluses and deficits arising from changes in the fair value of investment properties are recognised in the income statement in the period in which they arise.
- iii. Subsequent expenditure is capitalised to the asset's carrying value when the future economic benefit associated with the expenditure will flow to the Group. All other costs are expensed when incurred.
- iv. Completed investment properties are valued, at each reporting date, by professional valuers who hold recognised and relevant professional qualifications and have recent experience in the location and category of the investment property being valued. In determining the fair value, the capitalisation of net income method and the discounting of future cash flows to their present value have been used, which are based upon assumptions including future rental income, anticipated maintenance costs and appropriate

- discount rate, and make reference to market evidence of transaction prices for similar properties. A deduction is made to reflect purchaser's acquisition costs
- Investment properties under construction are valued by the Directors on the basis of the expected value of the property when complete, less deductions for the costs required to complete the project and appropriate adjustments for risk and finance costs. In preparing these valuations, the Directors consult with agents and other advisors to derive appropriate assumptions specific to each asset.
- vi. Gains or losses on disposal of investment properties are calculated by reference to carrying value and recognised when the risks and rewards of ownership are considered to have passed to the purchaser, which is normally on unconditional exchange of contracts. For conditional exchanges, sales are recognised only when all of the significant conditions are satisfied. Gains and losses are recognised within gains or losses on disposal of investment properties in the income statement.
- vii. Investment properties held for sale are held at fair value and classified separately within current assets in the Balance Sheet.

## j) Property, plant and equipment(i) Operating properties – serviced offices

Operating properties are held for business purposes rather than for investment, generating revenue by way of licence fees and ancillary services. These properties are recognised initially at cost, which includes the original purchase price of the asset and the costs

attributable to bringing the asset to its working condition for its intended use. Thereafter, the asset is carried at valuation less depreciation and impairment charged subsequent to the date of revaluation. A revaluation surplus is credited to Other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity under the heading of Net unrealised gain/(loss) reserve, unless it reverses a revaluation decrease on the same asset previously recognised as an expense. where it is first credited to the income statement to that extent.

Operating properties are valued at each reporting date by independent, professional valuers on the basis of Highest and Best Use Value. Surpluses and deficits in the period are included in the Property revaluation reserve within equity, except where carrying value is below depreciated cost, in which case surpluses and deficits are included in the income statement. Depreciation is provided so as to write off the value of the properties, excluding land, over their expected useful lives, usually 25 years.

## (ii) Other plant and equipment

Other plant and equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any provision for impairment. Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the assets. Depreciation is provided so as to write off the cost less estimated residual value of the assets over their expected useful lives on a straight-line method. The principal annual rates used for this purpose are as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and computer equipment – 10% to 33%

Motor vehicles – 20%

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed and adjusted if appropriate at the end of each reporting period. An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the net proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised in the income statement.

k) Leases – Group as lessee Leases in which a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are retained by the lessor are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases, net of any incentives received from the lessor, are charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

I) Inventory – development and trading properties

Property and development interests acquired or being constructed for sale in the ordinary course of business, rather than to be held for rental or capital appreciation, are held as inventory and are measured at the lower of cost and estimated net realisable value.

Cost includes directly attributable expenditure and interest. The Group have capitalised certain internal staff costs directly attributable to the development of schemes. Staff costs capitalised are estimated with reference to the time spent on the project during the period. Where the Directors consider that the costs are not recoverable from the sale or development of the asset, the project or site is written down to its net realisable value, with the write down taken to the income statement.

Net realisable value is calculated as the estimated selling price of the project or site, based upon the current plans, less costs to complete and associated selling costs.

## m) Current and deferred income tax

The tax expense for the period comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the income statement, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in Other comprehensive income or directly in equity. In this case, the tax is also recognised in Other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of the tax laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date, together with any adjustment in respect of previous years, in the jurisdiction where the Company and its subsidiaries operate and generate taxable income. Appropriate provisions are made based on the amounts expected to be paid to the tax authorities.

Deferred income tax is recognised using the liability method on all temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes at the reporting date, with the following exceptions:

- Where the temporary differences arise from the initial recognition of goodwill or of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination that, at the time of the transaction, affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss.
- In respect of taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates where the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference can be controlled by the Parent, venture partner or investor

respectively, and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

The carrying value of the Group's investment property portfolio is assumed to be realised by sale at the end of use. The capital gains tax rate applied is that which would apply on a direct sale of the property recorded in the Consolidated statement of financial position regardless of whether the Group would structure the sale via the disposal of the subsidiary holding the asset, to which a different tax rate may apply. The deferred tax is calculated based on the respective temporary differences and tax consequences arising from recovery from sale.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

Deferred income tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary difference can be utilised.

#### n) Financial assets and financial liabilities – accounting policy applied from 1 March 2018 (i) Financial assets Classification

From 1 March 2018, the Group classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- Those measured subsequently at fair value (either through OCI or through profit or loss); and
- Those measured at amortised cost.

Classification depends on the Group's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual terms of the cash flows. For assets measured at fair value, gains and losses will be recorded in either profit or loss or OCI. Investments in equity instruments, not held for trading, gains and losses are recognised at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI).

### Recognition and derecognition

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised on the Group's Balance Sheet when the Group becomes a party to the contractual terms of the instrument.

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred.

#### Measurement

Financial assets are measured at fair value plus directly attributable transaction costs on acquisition unless they are measured at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL). Transaction costs of financial assets carried at FVPL are expensed in profit or loss.

Debt instruments
Subsequent measurement of
debt instruments depends on
the Group's business model
for managing the asset and
the cash flow characteristics
of the asset. There are three
measurement categories into
which the Group classifies its
debt instruments:

- Amortised cost: Assets that are held for collection of contractual cash flows where those cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest are measured at amortised cost. Interest income from these financial assets is included in finance income using the effective interest rate method. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition is

- recognised directly in profit or loss and presented in other gains/(losses), together with foreign exchange gains and losses. Impairment losses are presented as separate line item in the statement of profit or loss.
- FVOCI: Assets that are held for collection of contractual cash flows and for selling the financial assets, where the assets' cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest, are measured at FVOCI. Movements in the carrying amount are taken through OCI, except for the recognition of impairment gains or losses, interest revenue and foreign exchange gains and losses which are recognised in profit or loss. When the financial asset is derecognised, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in OCI is reclassified from equity to profit or loss and recognised in other gains/ (losses). Interest income from these financial assets is included in finance income using the effective interest rate method. Foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in other gains/(losses) and impairment expenses are presented as separate line item in the statement of profit or loss.
- FVPL: Assets that do not meet the criteria for amortised cost or FVOCI are measured at FVPL.
   A gain or loss on a debt investment that is subsequently measured at FVPL is recognised in profit or loss and presented net within other gains/(losses) in the period in which it arises.

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## 1 Basis of preparation and accounting policies

continued
n) Financial assets and
financial liabilities –
accounting policy applied
from 1 March 2018

Equity instruments The Group subsequently measures all equity investments (excluding joint ventures and associates) at fair value. Where the Group's management has elected to present fair value gains and losses on equity investments in OCI, there is no subsequent reclassification of fair value gains and losses to profit or loss following the derecognition of the investment. Dividends from such investments continue to be recognised in profit or loss as other income when the Group's right to receive payments is established.

Changes in the fair value of financial assets at FVPL are recognised in other gains/ (losses) in the statement of profit or loss as applicable. Impairment losses (and reversal of impairment losses) on equity investments measured at FVOCI are not reported separately from other changes in fair value.

Trade receivables
Trade receivables are
recognised initially at fair
value and subsequently
measured at amortised cost
less any impairment
provisions. The Group holds
trade receivables with the
objective to collect
contractual cash flows.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise deposits held at call with banks and other short-term highly liquid investments with no significant risk of changes in value. Bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and which form an integral part of the Group's cash management are included as a financial liability. For the purposes of the Consolidated Cash Flow

Statement, cash and cash equivalents are stated net of outstanding bank overdrafts.

Impairment
Due to the adoption of IFRS
9, from 1 March 2018, the
Group assesses, on a
forward-looking basis, the
expected credit losses
associated with its debt
instruments carried at
amortised cost and FVOCI.
The impairment methodology
applied depends on whether
there has been a significant

increase in credit risk.

Financial assets are assessed for impairment at each reporting date. Assets are impaired where there is evidence that as a result of events that occurred after initial recognition, the estimated future cash flows from the assets have been adversely affected. The carrying amount of the asset is reduced and the amount of the loss is recognised in the income statement. If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment decreases, the reversal of the previously recognised impairment is recognised in the income statement.

For trade receivables, the Group applies the simplified approach permitted by IFRS 9, which requires expected lifetime losses to be recognised from initial recognition of the receivables.

The Group has classified trade and receivables into two categories as the transaction type and values vary significantly.

Trade receivables for sales of inventory and investment assets are only recorded once significant negotiations, due diligence and legal contracts have been completed. The receivable is recorded once contracts have been exchanged and there is a firm completion date set. The recoverability of the receivable will be reviewed at the reporting

date and adjusted on a contract by contract basis as necessary.

To measure the expected credit loss of trade receivables, the Group has reviewed aged balances on a portfolio basis. The Group has based its assessment on previous bad debts, current trading conditions of the tenant portfolio in the different sectors they operate and future expectations.

The loss allowance for trade receivables would have been £164,000 as at 28 February 2018. The Group has adopted IFRS 9 on a prospective basis resulting in a loss allowance of £104,000 being provided as at 31 March 2019.

Financial assets are included within current assets except for assets maturing after one year, which will be classified as non-current.

#### (ii) Financial liabilities

The Group recognises a financial liability when it first becomes party to the contractual rights and obligations in the contract.

Loans and borrowings are initially recognised at fair value, net of directly attributable transaction costs, and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Gains and losses arising on the repurchase, settlement or otherwise cancellation of liabilities are recognised respectively in Finance income and Finance costs.

Other financial liabilities, including trade and other payables, are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost and are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

#### (iii) Derivatives

The Group enters into derivative financial instruments, including

interest rate swaps, caps and collars and cross-currency swaps, to manage its exposure to interest rate and foreign exchange rate risk.

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured to their fair value at each reporting date. The resulting gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately unless the derivative is designated as an effective hedging instrument, in which case the fair value is taken through Other comprehensive income.

The Group does not have any hedging instruments as at 31 March 2019.

Financial assets and financial liabilities – accounting policy applied until 28 February 2018
Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised on the Group's Balance Sheet when the Group becomes a party to the contractual terms of the instrument.

#### (i) Financial assets

The Group determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition. The classification depends on the purpose for which the financial assets were acquired as follows:

Loans and other receivables with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted on an active market. The Group's loans and receivables are included within Trade and other receivables, Cash and cash equivalents, Monies held in restricted accounts and deposits and Other financial assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss represent interest and currency swaps which are categorised as held for trading unless they are designated as hedges.

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivatives that are designated as such or are not classified in any other category. After initial recognition at cost, availablefor-sale assets are measured at fair value, with gains or losses being recognised as a separate component of equity until the investment is derecognised or until the investment is determined to be impaired, at which time the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in equity is included in the income statement. Equity instrument financial assets are held at cost in the event that the fair value of the instruments is not reliably measurable.

Trade receivables are recognised and carried at the lower of their original invoiced value and recoverable amount. Where the time value of money is material. receivables are carried at amortised cost. Provision is made when there is objective evidence that the Group will not be able to recover balances in full. Balances are written off when the probability of recovery is assessed as being remote. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against the appropriate cost line in the income statement.

Amounts due from customers for contract work are included in Trade and other receivables and represent revenue recognised in excess of payments on account received.

Monies held in restricted accounts and deposits represent cash held by the Group in accounts with conditions that restrict the use of these monies by the Group and, as such, does not meet the definition of Cash and cash equivalents as defined in IAS 7, 'Statement of Cash Flows'.

Movements in restricted deposit accounts are classified as financing activities within the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement as the deposit balances are directly attributable to the associated loan.

Cash and cash equivalents comprise deposits held at call with banks and other short-term highly liquid investments with no significant risk of changes in value. Bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and which form an integral part of the Group's cash management are included as a financial liability. For the purposes of the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement, cash and cash equivalents are stated net of outstanding bank overdrafts.

Financial assets are included within current assets except for assets maturing after one year, which will be classified as non-current.

Financial assets are assessed for impairment at each reporting date. Assets are impaired where there is evidence that as a result of events that occurred after initial recognition, the estimated future cash flows from the assets have been adversely affected. The carrying amount of the asset is reduced and the amount of the loss is recognised in the income statement. If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment decreases, the reversal of the previously recognised impairment is recognised in the income statement.

#### (ii) Financial liabilities

Loans and borrowings are initially recognised at fair value, net of directly attributable transaction costs, and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Gains and losses arising on the repurchase, settlement or otherwise cancellation of liabilities are

recognised respectively in Finance income and Finance costs.

Other financial liabilities, including trade and other payables, are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost and are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

#### (iii) Derivatives

The Group enters into derivative financial instruments, including interest rate swaps, caps and collars and cross-currency swaps, to manage its exposure to interest rate and foreign exchange rate risk.

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured to their fair value at each reporting date. The resulting gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately unless the derivative is designated as an effective hedging instrument, in which case the fair value is taken through Other comprehensive income.

(iv) Hedging

The fair value of hedging derivatives is classified as a non-current asset or a non-current liability if the remaining maturity of the hedge relationship is more than 12 months, and as a current asset or a current liability if the remaining maturity of the hedge relationship is less than 12 months.

At the inception of the hedge relationship the Group documents the relationship between the hedging instrument and hedged item, along with its risk management objectives and its strategy for undertaking various hedge transactions, the nature of the risk being hedged and how effectiveness will be

measured throughout its duration. Furthermore, at the inception of the hedge and on an ongoing basis, the Group documents whether the hedging instruments that are used in hedging transactions are highly effective in offsetting changes in fair value or cash flows of hedged items. The gain or loss of the effective portion of changes in the fair value of the hedging instrument is recognised in Other comprehensive income. The gain or loss relating to an ineffective portion is recognised immediately in the income statement. Amounts taken to equity are recycled to the income statement in the periods when the hedged item is recognised in profit or loss.

Hedge accounting is discontinued when the Group revokes the hedging relationship or the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated or exercised, or no longer qualifies for hedge accounting.

The Group did not have any hedging instruments as at 28 February 2018.

o) Borrowing costs

Gross borrowing costs relating to direct expenditure on investment properties and inventories under development are capitalised. The interest capitalised is calculated using the rate of interest on the loan to fund the expenditure, or the Group's weighted average cost of borrowings where appropriate, over the period from commencement of the development work until substantially all the activities necessary to prepare the qualifying asset for its intended use or sale are complete. The capitalisation of finance costs is suspended if there are prolonged periods when development activity is interrupted.

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#### 1 Basis of preparation and accounting policies continued

o) Borrowing costs continued

Capitalised interest is written off to direct costs on disposal of inventory or to operating profit on disposal of investment properties.

Other borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

Fees paid on establishment of loan facilities are capitalised as a prepayment for liquidity services and amortised over the period of the facility to which it relates. All other borrowing costs are recognised in the income statement in the period in which they are incurred.

#### p) Provisions

A provision is recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation and the amount can be reliably estimated.

Onerous lease provisions are created for properties that are unoccupied, sub-let at below the rent payable on the head lease or for operating sites where the projected future trading revenue is insufficient to cover the value-in-use.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditure expected to be required to settle the obligation. The amortisation in the discount is recognised as an interest expense.

### q) Employee benefits(i) Pensions

The Group operates a defined contribution scheme whereby the Group pays fixed contributions into a pension fund. The Group has no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employees relating to employee service in the current or prior periods. The charge to the income statement in the period represents the actual amount payable to the scheme in the period. Differences between contributions payable in the period and contributions paid are shown as either accruals or prepayments in the Balance Sheet.

### (ii) Profit-sharing and bonus plans

The Group recognises a liability and expense for bonus and profit-sharing in accordance with the bonus plans outlined in the Remuneration Report on pages 131 to 148. The Group recognises a liability when contractually obliged.

#### r) Foreign currencies

The Consolidated financial statements of the Group are presented in UK Sterling, the Company's functional and presentation currency. Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the dates of the transactions or valuation when items are re-measured.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are translated at the rates ruling at that date. Exchange gains or losses are presented net in the Income Statement within Finance costs or Finance income respectively. All other foreign exchange gains and losses are presented net in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income.

The results and financial position of Group entities that have a functional currency different from the reporting currency are translated as follows:

- Assets and liabilities are translated at the rates ruling at the balance sheet date
- Income and expenses are translated at average exchange rate for the period
- All other exchange differences are reported in Other comprehensive income.

#### s) Segmental reporting

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the Chief Operating Decision-Maker (CODM). The CODM, who is responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments, has been identified as the Leadership Team.

#### t) Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity.

Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new Ordinary shares or options are shown in equity as a deduction, net of tax, from the proceeds.

Where a Group company purchases its own share capital out of distributable reserves, the shares can be held as treasury shares. The shares are carried at the consideration paid, including any directly attributable costs of acquiring the shares. The value of the shares is deducted from the equity attributable to the Company's equity holders until the shares are cancelled or re-issued. If the shares are subsequently re-issued, their value is re-attributed to the Company's equity holders.

# u) Share-based payments The Group operates a number of share-based compensation plans, both equity and cash settled, under which the entity receives services from employees as consideration

for cash or equity-settled

instruments of the Group.

The fair value of the employee services received in exchange for the grant of the option is recognised as an expense. The total amount to be expensed is determined by reference to the fair value of the options granted.

## Long-Term Incentive Plan (LTIP)

The LTIP commenced on 1 March 2015.

Under the scheme, Ordinary shares are conditionally awarded based on the performance of the Group over a four-year period for Executive Directors and a three-vear period for staff. The performance of the Group is referenced to the net asset value per share growth over the vesting period and is based on non-market conditions. The Directors assess the likelihood of the award vesting and the maximum amount that will vest based on a forward-looking forecast of the Group.

No expense is recognised for awards that do not ultimately vest.

At each balance sheet date before vesting, the Group revises its estimate of the number of options that are expected to vest based on the non-market and service conditions. Any adjustment to original estimates is recognised in the income statement with a corresponding adjustment to equity.

When the options are exercised, the Company will either issue new Ordinary shares or utilise existing treasury shares held by the Company.

v) Dividend distribution

Dividend distributions to the Company's shareholders are recognised as a liability in the Group's financial statements in the period in which the dividends are approved by the Company's shareholders.

w) Exceptional items

Exceptional items are disclosed separately in the financial statements where it is necessary to do so to provide further understanding of the financial performance of the Group. They are material, non-recurring items of income or expense that have been shown separately due to the significance of their nature or amount.

#### x) Definitions

Operating profit: stated after loss on disposal of investment properties, the revaluation of the investment portfolio and exceptional items and before the results of associates, jointly controlled entities and finance income and costs.

IPD Index and Total Portfolio Return: total return from the completed investment portfolio, comprising net rental income or expenditure. capital gains or losses from disposals and revaluation surpluses or deficits, divided by the average capital employed during the financial period, as defined and measured by Investment Property Databank Limited (IPD), a company that produces independent benchmarks of property returns.

Total shareholder return: movement in share price over the period plus dividends paid as a percentage of the opening share price.

Gearing: expressed as a percentage and measured as net debt divided by total shareholders' funds.

Loan to value gearing: expressed as a percentage of net debt as a proportion of total property assets, including shares of properties and net debt in all projects held in partnership (refer note 26).

Net debt: total debt less cash and short-term deposits, including cash held in restricted accounts.

#### 2 Segmental analysis

The segmental information presented consistently follows the information provided to the CODM and reflects the two sectors in which the Group operates. The CODM, which is responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments, has been identified as the Leadership Team. Following the decision to scale down its serviced office business the Group has reassessed its operating divisions. From 1 March 2018, for management purposes, the Group is now organised into two operating divisions, whose principal activities are as follows:

- Investment management of the Group's investment portfolio, generating rental income and valuation surpluses from property management; and
- Development and trading

   managing the Group's
   development and trading
   projects. Revenue is
   received from project
   management fees,
   development profits and
   the disposal of inventory.

The remaining elements of the service office operation are now reported under the investment division.

Operating revenue for the year ended 28 February 2018 was received from serviced office operations and was principally received under short-term licence agreements. During the period, the operating segment would have reported a deficit of £196,000.

These divisions are the basis on which the Group reports its primary segmental information. All operations occur and all assets are located in the United Kingdom or the Republic of Ireland. All revenue arises from continuing operations.

Unallocated amounts relate to general corporate assets and liabilities which cannot be allocated to specific segments; an analysis is provided in the table on page 184.

These divisions are the basis on which the Group reports its primary segmental information. All operations occur and all assets are located in the United Kingdom, except assets of £47,575,000 (28 February 2018: £30,004,000) which are located in the Republic of Ireland. All revenue arises from continuing operations.

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2 Segmental analys	sis continued
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2 deginental analysis commuest	Investment	Development and trading	Total
13-month period ended 31 March 2019	£'000	£'000	£'000
Segment revenue	16,299	134,011	150,310
Direct costs	(8,719)	(114,730)	(123,449)
Segment result	7,580	19,281	26,861
Operating costs	(1,322)	(10,976)	(12,298)
Unallocated overhead costs	* * *		(9,561)
Loss on disposal of investment properties	(223)	_	(223)
Loss on revaluation of property portfolio	(11,165)	_	(11,165)
Operating loss			(6,386)
Other income	481	2,066	2,547
Share of post-tax (losses)/profits of joint ventures and associates	(5,002)	17,130	12,128
(Loss)/profit on sale of investment	(42)	3,930	3,888
Unallocated loss on sale of other plant and equipment			(42)
Profit before interest and income tax			12,135
Finance income	250	367	617
Finance costs	(3,725)	(2,707)	(6,432)
Profit before income tax			6,320
Income tax			(1,120)
Profit for the period			5,200
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES			
Segment assets	174,757	410,417	585,174
Unallocated assets	,	,	37,373
Total assets			622,547
Segment liabilities	(74,834)	(181,178)	(256,012)
Unallocated liabilities	(17,004)	(101,170)	(6,390)
Total liabilities			(262,402)

A summary of unallocated assets and liabilities is shown on page 184.

13-month period ended 31 March 2019	Investment £'000	Development and trading £'000	Total £′000
OTHER SEGMENT INFORMATION	2 000	2 000	2 000
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Capital expenditure	30,519	_	30,519
Unallocated capital expenditure		40 4	1,202
Impairment of assets	_	(9,137)	(9,137)
Depreciation	96	_	96
Unallocated depreciation			789
Development and trading expenditure	_	103,832	103,832
REVENUE			
Rental income	13,725	2,465	16,190
Serviced office income	2,408	_	2,408
Project management fees	_	345	345
Trading property sales	_	7,393	7,393
Other property income	_	7,371	7,371
Development proceeds	_	116,374	116,374
Other	166	63	229
	16,299	134,011	150,310

In the 13-month period ended 31 March 2019, three projects with turnover totalling £88,301,000 generated in excess of 10.0% of total revenue and fell within the development and trading segment.

		Development	O	T-+-1
Year ended 28 February 2018	Investment £'000	and trading £'000	Operating £'000	Total £′000
Segment revenue	12,086	157,481	4,117	173,684
Direct costs	(3,656)	(109,037)	(4,784)	(117,477)
Segment result	8,430	48,444	(667)	56,207
Operating costs	(3,579)	(20,656)	_	(24, 235)
Gain on disposal of investment properties	3,324	_	_	3,324
Loss on revaluation of property portfolio	(2,417)			(2,417)
Operating profit/(loss)	5,758	27,788	(667)	32,879
Other income	483	1,606	_	2,089
Share of post-tax profits of joint ventures and associates	3,142	13,033	_	16,175
(Loss)/profit on sale of investment	(99)	6,812	_	6,713
Unallocated gain on sale of other plant and equipment				5
Profit before interest and income tax				57,861
Finance income	35	59	_	94
Finance costs	(4,942)	(4,841)		(9,783)
Profit before income tax				48,172
Income tax				(7,916)
Profit for the year				40,256
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES				
Segment assets	175,388	444,763	2,402	622,553
Unallocated assets	170,000	111,700	2, 102	41,595
Total assets				664,148
Segment liabilities	(74,243)	(192,548)	(3,965)	(270,756)
Unallocated liabilities	( / - /	( - / /	(-,,	(14,111)
Total liabilities				(284,867)
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		Development		
Vanuandad 20 Eahruan, 2010	Investment	and trading	Operating	Total
Year ended 28 February 2018 OTHER SEGMENT INFORMATION	£′000	£′000	£′000	£′000
Capital expenditure	3,038	_	22	3,060
Unallocated capital expenditure	3,030	_	22	194
Impairment of assets	_	(9,415)	_	(9,415)
Depreciation	173	(5,415)	63	236
Unallocated depreciation	170		00	724
Development and trading expenditure	_	137,342	_	137,342
REVENUE	10.010	0.000		14.001
Rental income Serviced office income	12,012	2,069	_ / 117	14,081
Project management fees	_	358	4,117	4,117 358
Trading property sales	_	20,985	_	20,985
Other property income	_	2,695	_	20,965
Development proceeds	_	131,374	_	131,374
Other	74	-	_	74
	12,086	157,481	4,117	173,684
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In the year ended 28 February 2018, project with turnover totalling £23,250,000 generated in excess of 10.0% of total revenue and fell within the development and trading segment.

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2 deginental analysis seminada	31 March 2019 £'000	28 February 2018 £'000
UNALLOCATED ASSETS CAN BE ANALYSED AS FOLLOWS:		
Other plant and equipment	4,448	4,087
Deferred income tax asset	1,294	1,225
Derivative financial instruments	_	10
Trade and other receivables	8,773	5,596
Cash and cash equivalents	22,858	30,677
	37,373	41,595
UNALLOCATED LIABILITIES CAN BE ANALYSED AS FOLLOWS:		
Current borrowings	(17)	(17)
Trade and other payables	(2,925)	(10,804)
Deferred income tax liability	(3,448)	(3,290)
	(6,390)	(14,111)

#### **3 Operating loss**

	13-month period ended	Year ended
	31 March	28 February
	2019	2018
	£′000	£′000
OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT IS STATED AFTER (CREDITING)/CHARGING:	44.01	
Share-based payments (credit)/charge	(10)	1,750
Write down of development and trading properties to net realisable value	9,137	8,415
Reversal of previous impairment	(5,705)	_
Write down of financial assets to net realisable value	_	1,000
Depreciation: – Operating property	65	60
<ul> <li>Other plant and equipment</li> </ul>	820	900
Impairment of trade receivables recognised in direct costs	134	1,155
AUDITORS' REMUNERATION		
Fees payable to the Company's auditors and their associates for the audit of	0.10	0.44
Company and Group financial statements	246	241
Fees payable to the Company's auditors and their associates for other services:		
– Audit of the Company's subsidiaries	300	348
– Half year review	46	45
- Other services	_	8
•	592	642

#### 4 Employees

	13-month	
	period ended	Year ended
	31 March	28 February
	2019	2018
Employee benefit expense	£'000	£′000
Wages and salaries	11,704	10,130
Social security costs	1,607	1,505
Cost of employee share option schemes	(10)	1,750
Other pension costs	970	778
	14,271	14,163
Less capitalised costs <sup>1</sup>	(2,541)	
	11,730	14,163

<sup>1</sup> From 1 March 2018, the Group has capitalised certain internal staff costs directly attributable to development schemes. Staff costs capitalised are estimated with reference to the time spent on each project during the period.

Year ended

13-month period ended

(6,432)

(5,815)

(5,969)

(9,783)

(9,689)

(8,313)

Average monthly number of employees, including Directors	13-month period ended 31 March 2019 Number	Year ended 28 February 2018 Number
Property development and investment	94	83
Operating property activities	26	36
	120	119

The Directors are considered to be the only key management personnel. Their remuneration is shown in the Remuneration Report on pages 131 to 148.

#### 5 Finance income and costs

#### a) Finance income

**Total finance costs** 

**Net finance costs** 

Net finance costs before foreign currency differences

	31 March 2019 £′000	28 February 2018 £'000
Interest receivable on loans and deposits	463	94
Net foreign currency differences arising on retranslation of cash and cash equivalents	154	_
	617	94
b) Finance costs		
	13-month	
	period ended 31 March	Year ended 28 February
	2019	2018
	£′000	£'000
Interest on bank loans and other borrowings	(9,138)	(8,488)
Amortisation of transaction costs	(449)	(1,405)
Provision: unwinding of discount	(19)	(7)
Fair value loss on financial instruments – interest rate swaps, caps and collars	(10)	(247)
Net foreign currency differences arising on retranslation of cash and cash equivalents		(1,376)
	(9,616)	(11,523)
Capitalised interest on development and trading properties	3,184	1,740

Interest was capitalised at an average rate of 6.21%. £2,701,000 of capitalised interest (28 February 2018: £nil) was written off in the period. The tax treatment of capitalised interest follows the accounting treatment.

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#### 6 Income tax

6 Income tax	13-month period ended 31 March 2019 £'000	Year ended 28 February 2018 £'000
Current tax	1,835	6,549
Adjustment in respect of prior years	(804)	1,511
Total current tax charge	1,031	8,060
Deferred tax charge/(credit)	89	(144)
Income tax charge	1,120	7,916
	13-month period ended 31 March 2019 £'000	Year ended 28 February 2018 £'000
Tax on items credited to equity:  Deferred tax credit on other revaluations	_	_
Total credit in the income statement	_	_

Tax on the Group's profit before tax differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the weighted average tax rate applicable to profits of the consolidated entities as follows:

	13-month	
	period ended	Year ended
	31 March	28 February
	2019 £'000	2018 £′000
Profit before tax	6,320	48,172
Tax on profit on ordinary activities at 19.0% (28 February 2018: 19.1%)	1,201	9,191
Tax effects of:		
Amounts not deductible for tax purposes	506	103
Non-taxable capital gains	2,670	(347)
Non-taxable income	(3,094)	(3,322)
Provision for unrealised Group profit	(311)	_
Adjustment in respect of prior years	(552)	1,494
Impact on change in UK tax rate	19	40
Income tax at lower rates	(2)	142
Recognition of tax losses	(324)	55
Brought forward losses utilised	1,007	560
Total tax charge	1,120	7,916

Deferred income tax is calculated on the temporary differences under the liability method using a tax rate of 17.0% (28 February 2018: 17.0%).

#### 7 Dividends

	13-month period ended 31 March 2019 £'000	Year ended 28 February 2018 £'000
DECLARED AND PAID DURING THE PERIOD/YEAR		
Equity dividends on Ordinary shares:		
Final dividend for 28 February 2018: 3.50 pence per share (28 February 2017: 3.50 pence per share)	4,390	4,379
Interim dividend for 31 March 2019: 2.40 pence per share (28 February 2018: 2.40 pence per share)	3,011	3,003
Supplemental dividend for 28 February 2018: 12.00 pence per share (28 February 2017: 2.80 pence		
per share)	15,033	3,503
	22,434	10,885
DIVIDEND DECLARED BUT NOT PAID SINCE 31 MARCH 2019		
Supplemental dividend for 31 March 2019: 4.1 pence per share (28 February 2018: 12.00 pence		
per share)	5,114	15,041
PROPOSED FOR APPROVAL BY SHAREHOLDERS AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING		
Final dividend for 31 March 2019: 3.50 pence per share (28 February 2018: 3.50 pence per share)	4,366	4,387

On 21 May 2019, the Board approved the payment of a supplemental dividend of 4.1 pence per share, which will be paid on 12 July 2019 to Ordinary shareholders on the register at the close of business on 7 June 2019 and will be recognised in the year ending 31 March 2020.

Subject to approval by shareholders, the final dividend of 3.50 pence was approved by the Board on 21 May 2019 and has not been included as a liability or deducted from retained earnings as at 31 March 2019. The final dividend is payable on 6 September 2019 to Ordinary shareholders on the register at the close of business on 9 August 2019 and will be recognised in the year ending 31 March 2020.

#### 8 Earnings per share and net assets per share

Basic earnings per share amounts are calculated by dividing profit or loss for the period attributable to owners of the Parent by the weighted average number of Ordinary shares outstanding during the period, excluding shares purchased by the Parent and held as treasury shares.

Diluted earnings per share amounts are calculated by dividing the profit or loss attributable to owners of the Parent by the weighted average number of Ordinary shares outstanding during the period plus the weighted average number of Ordinary shares that would be issued on the conversion of all the dilutive potential Ordinary shares into Ordinary shares.

Basic net assets per share amounts are calculated by dividing net assets by the number of Ordinary shares in issue at the balance sheet date excluding shares purchased by the Parent and held as treasury shares.

Diluted net assets per share amounts are calculated by dividing net assets by the number of Ordinary shares in issue at the balance sheet date plus the number of Ordinary shares that would be issued on the conversion of all the dilutive potential Ordinary shares into Ordinary shares.

Management have chosen to disclose the European Public Real Estate (EPRA) adjusted net assets per share and earnings per share from continuing activities in order to provide an indication of the Group's underlying business performance and to assist comparison between European property companies.

EPRA earnings is the profit or loss after taxation excluding investment property revaluations (including valuations of joint venture investment properties), impairment of development and trading properties, exceptional items and mark-to-market movements of derivative financial instruments (including those of joint ventures) and intangible asset movements and their related taxation.

EPRA net assets (EPRA NAV) are the balance sheet net assets adjusted to reflect the fair value of development and trading assets, excluding mark-to-market adjustment on effective cash flow hedges and related debt adjustments and deferred taxation on revaluations and diluting for the effect of those shares potentially issuable under employee share schemes.

EPRA NAV per share is EPRA NAV divided by the number of Ordinary shares in issue at the balance sheet date.

EPRA triple net assets (EPRA NNNAV) is EPRA NAV adjusted to reflect the fair value of debt and derivatives and to include deferred taxation on revaluations.

EPRA NNNAV per share is EPRA NNNAV divided by the number of Ordinary shares in issue at the balance sheet date.

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#### 8 Earnings per share and net assets per share continued

The calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share and EPRA profit per share is based on the following data:

	13-month period ended 31 March 2019	Year ended 28 February 2018
	£′000	£′000
<u>PROFIT</u>		
Profit for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings per share	5,200	40,256
Revaluation deficit/(surplus) (including share of joint venture revaluation surplus)	8,711	(13,454)
Loss/(gain) on disposal of investment properties	223	(3,324)
Impairment of development and trading properties	9,137	8,415
Impairment of financial assets	(F 70F)	1,000
Reversal of previous impairments	(5,705)	_
Mark-to-market adjustment on interest rate swaps (including share of joint venture mark-to-market adjustment)	411	140
EPRA adjusted profit from continuing activities attributable to owners of the Company	17,977	33,033
Et it adjusted profit from continuing activities attributable to owners of the company	11,011	00,000
	13-month period ended 31 March 2019 £'000	Year ended 28 February 2018 £'000
NUMBER OF SHARES	period ended 31 March 2019	28 February 2018 £'000
NUMBER OF SHARES Weighted average number of Ordinary shares for the purpose of earnings per share Effect of dilutive potential Ordinary shares:	period ended 31 March 2019	28 February 2018
Weighted average number of Ordinary shares for the purpose of earnings per share	period ended 31 March 2019 £'000	28 February 2018 £'000
Weighted average number of Ordinary shares for the purpose of earnings per share Effect of dilutive potential Ordinary shares:	period ended 31 March 2019 £'000	28 February 2018 £'000 125,218
Weighted average number of Ordinary shares for the purpose of earnings per share Effect of dilutive potential Ordinary shares: Share options	period ended 31 March 2019 £'000 124,674	28 February 2018 £'000 125,218
Weighted average number of Ordinary shares for the purpose of earnings per share Effect of dilutive potential Ordinary shares: Share options Weighted average number of Ordinary shares for the purpose of diluted earnings per share	period ended 31 March 2019 £'000 124,674 98 124,772	28 February 2018 £'000 125,218 57 125,275
Weighted average number of Ordinary shares for the purpose of earnings per share Effect of dilutive potential Ordinary shares: Share options Weighted average number of Ordinary shares for the purpose of diluted earnings per share Basic earnings per share (pence)	period ended 31 March 2019 £'000 124,674 98 124,772 4.2p	28 February 2018 £'000 125,218 57 125,275 32.2p

The Directors consider the acquisition and disposal of trading assets to be part of the core business of the Group and therefore have not adjusted profit for the gain on disposal when calculating EPRA adjusted earnings per share.

Net assets per share and diluted net assets per share have been calculated as follows:

	Net assets £′000	No. of shares	31 March 2019 Net assets per share Pence	Net assets £'000	No. of shares	28 February 2018 Net assets per share Pence
Basic net assets per share attributable to the owners Cumulative mark-to-market adjustment on interest rate swaps	360,145 (430)	124,741	289	379,281 (19)	125,343	303
EPRA adjusted net assets per share Cumulative mark-to-market adjustment on interest rate swaps Fair value of debt	359,715 430 (12,648)	124,741	288	379,262 19 (9,514)	125,343	303
EPRA adjusted triple net assets per share Effect of dilutive potential Ordinary shares	347,497 521	124,741 294	280	369,767 625	125,343 447	295
Diluted net assets per share	360,666	125,035	289	379,906	125,790	303
EPRA diluted net assets per share	360,236	125,035	288	379,887	125,790	303
EPRA diluted triple net assets per share	348,018	125,035	280	370,392	125,790	295

The Board has concluded that there is no benefit to stakeholders to provide an EPRA adjusted NAV per share calculation as a large proportion of the property portfolio does not qualify for valuation, as it falls outside of the criteria for calculation.

#### 9 Investment properties

		Long	
	Freehold	leasehold	Total
	£′000	£′000	£′000
At valuation 1 March 2017	136,873	42,326	179,199
Additions:			
– acquisitions	_	1,627	1,627
– capital expenditure	528	277	805
Transfer from development and trading assets	13,000	471	13,471
Disposals	(51,688)	(1,491)	(53, 179)
Deficit on revaluation	(1,322)	(1,095)	(2,417)
At valuation 28 February 2018	97,391	42,115	139,506
Additions:			
<ul><li>acquisitions</li></ul>	24,108	5,061	29,169
- capital expenditure	171	1,156	1,327
Transfer from development and trading assets	_	2,720	2,720
Disposals	_	(7,516)	(7,516)
Deficit on revaluation	(6,873)	(4,292)	(11,165)
At valuation 31 March 2019	114,797	39,244	154,041

Direct costs of £6,115,000 (28 February 2018: £3,656,000) arose as a result of ownership of investment properties.

Two development and trading assets were transferred to investment properties during the period following a change in strategy and use of the assets. The Group intends to hold the properties for the foreseeable future for capital appreciation and rental income.

#### a) Reconciliation of market value of investment properties to the net book amount

The following table reconciles the market value of investment properties to their net book amount. The components of the reconciliation are included within their relevant balance sheet heading.

	31 March	28 February
	2019	2018
	£′000	£'000
Market value as assessed by the independent valuers or Directors	157,328	142,092
Amount included in prepayments and accrued income in respect of lease incentives	(3,287)	(2,586)
Net book amount of Investment properties – non-current assets	154,041	139,506

At 31 March and 30 September (previously 28 February and 31 August) each year, the Group engages professionally qualified valuers who hold a recognised professional qualification and who have recent experience in the locations and sectors of the investment portfolio. As at 31 March 2019, completed investment properties have been valued by CBRE Ltd at a value of £138,748,000 (28 February 2018: £124,329,000). The current value equates to the highest and best use value of the asset.

The valuers have consented to the use of their name in the financial statements.

Included within Investment properties are freehold land and buildings representing investment properties under development, amounting to £15,293,000 (28 February 2018: £15,177,000), which have been valued by the Directors. These properties comprise buildings and landholdings for current or future development as investment properties. This approach has been taken because the value of these properties is dependent on a detailed knowledge of the planning status, the competitive position of these assets and a range of complex project development appraisals.

Investment properties under development include £8,075,000 (28 February 2018: £8,075,000) of landholdings adjacent to retail properties within the Group's portfolio, acquired for the purpose of extending the existing shopping centres. The fair value of these properties rests in the planned extensions, and is difficult to estimate pending confirmation of designs and planning permission, and hence has been estimated by the Directors at cost as an approximation to fair value.

£138,593,000 (28 February 2018: £122,059,000) of total investment properties are charged as security against the Group's borrowings.

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#### 9 Investment properties continued

#### b) Valuation methodology

Our valuers are engaged as external valuers, as defined in the current edition of RICS Valuation Professional Standards. The valuation process involves the Investment Team, our asset services provider and valuers. Prior to the valuation date, full tenancy information, verified by both the Investment Team and asset services provider, is provided to the valuers. New lettings, completed and pending lease events and asset management proposals are provided by the Investment Team on an asset-by-asset basis. The valuers' assimilated income information is checked by the Investment Team before the valuers report numbers.

The valuers benefit from their own internal databases and proprietary/external resources for both rental and capital evidence/ yield evidence.

The comparator method is used for establishing rental values. Rental evidence is either self-generating for multi-let assets, in particular shopping centres, or sourced through market evidence. Where appropriate, net effective rents are applied during extant lease terms and market rents applied at reversion.

With the majority of the investment portfolio comprising income-producing property, fair value is established using an investment method of valuation. Appropriate capitalisation rates are applied to the asset's income stream in order to arrive at a yield profile, i.e. net initial yield, equivalent yield and reversionary yield that can be reconciled with market evidence. For multi-let properties, generally the approach involves applying differential capitalisation rates to the income stream, making adjustments for tenant covenant, term to expiry and unit quality, in order to arrive at a blended position. For example, a foodstore anchor tenant with a strong covenant could be capitalised at a rate of 5.50% and an independent/sole trader could be capitalised at a rate of 8.25% at the same property. Similarly, outward adjustments to capitalisation rates applied to vacant units in multi-let properties are made to reflect letting and covenant risk associated with future tenants.

There were no changes to valuation techniques during the period.

The following table analyses the non-financial assets carried at fair value by valuation method. The different hierarchy levels have been defined as follows:

- i. Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. This may be the agreed sales price of an asset where exchange has occurred after the year-end date (Level 1).
- ii. Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (Level 2).
- iii. Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs). These assets are valued by external valuers and Directors (Level 3). An analysis of Level 3 assets is provided below.

It is the Group's policy to recognise transfers into and out of hierarchy levels at the date of the change in circumstance.

There are no Level 1 or Level 2 assets and there have been no transfers between levels during the 13-month period ended 31 March 2019 or year ended 28 February 2018.

#### **Analysis of Level 3 investment properties**

Class of property: Level 3	Market value 31 March 2019 £'000	Market value 28 February 2018 £'000	Valuation technique	Key unobservable inputs	Equivalent yield range 31 March 2019	50 basis point yield contraction £'000	50 basis point yield expansion £'000
Shopping centres	65,700	84,295	Income capitalisation	Equivalent yields	7.53%– 10.70%	4,025	(3,645)
Retail/commercial space	54,260	25,520	Income capitalisation	Equivalent yields	5.00%- 10.11%	4,320	(3,645)
Office	22,075	17,100	Income capitalisation	Equivalent yields	6.50%	1,900	(1,650)
Land held for development	6,783	6,667	Residual development method	Price per acre/ development margin	£0.45 million per acre/ 15.0%– 20.0%	_	_
Buildings held for development	8,510	8,510	Residual development method	Estimated profit margin	15.0%– 20.0%	_	_
	157,328	142,092					

Further information relating to the Group's investment portfolio is set out in the Portfolio Review on pages 24 to 32.

The Group engages external, independent and qualified valuers to determine the fair value of Level 3 assets. The valuers liaise with the Investment Team regularly, reviewing tenant information relating to covenant strength, lease period and rental terms. Valuers will also review comparable transactions in the market. The fair value of Level 3 assets is also determined by reviewing local sales data or, where the assets are held for the purpose of extending an existing retail asset, by reviewing appraisals relating to the proposed scheme.

#### 10 Operating property

	Long leasehold
	£′000
VALUATION	
At 1 March 2017	1,712
Surplus on revaluation	35
At 28 February 2018	1,747
Surplus on revaluation	40
At 31 March 2019	1,787
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	
At 1 March 2017	912
Charge for the year	60
At 28 February 2018	972
Charge for the period	65
At 31 March 2019	1,037
Net book amount 31 March 2019	750
Net book amount 28 February 2018	775
Net book amount 1 March 2017	800
Original cost of operating property at 31 March 2019 and 28 February 2018	1,583

The operating property is charged as security against the Group's borrowings.

Depreciation expense of £65,000 (28 February 2018: £60,000) is included within operating costs.

The surplus on revaluation of long leasehold property for the 13-month period ended 31 March 2019 is £40,000 (28 February 2018: £35,000). If the operating property was measured using the cost model, the carrying value would be £546,000 (28 February 2018: £611,000).

The Group's operating property has been valued at market value as at 31 March 2019 and 28 February 2018 by independent professional valuers CBRE Ltd, on the basis of highest and best use value in accordance with RICS Valuation Professional Standards and without any special assumptions. The values disclosed above are as stated by the valuer in its valuation report to the Directors.

The valuers have consented to the use of their name in the financial statements.

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#### 11 Intangible assets

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In 2014, the Group acquired 100% of the issued shares in Cathedral Group (Holdings) Limited, Cathedral Special Projects (Holdings) Limited and Cathedral (ESCO) Limited and 95% of the shares issued in Deadhare Limited, a property development group specialising in mixed-use regeneration schemes in the South East. The goodwill of £2,328,000 represents the unrecognised asset of the highly skilled workforce and specialist development knowledge acquired with Cathedral.

Goodwill has been tested for impairment at the reporting date.

Goodwill is allocated to the Group's cash-generating units (CGUs) identified according to the operating segment. The recoverable amount of all CGUs has been determined based on value-in-use calculations. The calculations use pre-tax cash flow projections based on financial budgets approved by management covering a period up to the completion of each project (or less than five years). The pre-tax discount rate used was 11.0% (28 February 2018: 11.0%). No provision for impairment was considered necessary. No reasonable change in any assumption would give rise to a material impairment.

#### 12 Other plant and equipment

	Fixtures, fittings and computer equipment £'000	Motor vehicles £'000	Total £′000
COST			
At 1 March 2017	8,075	108	8,183
Additions	812	10	822
Disposals	(2,359)	_	(2,359)
At 28 February 2018	6,528	118	6,646
Additions	1,189	36	1,225
Disposals	(805)	(84)	(889)
At 31 March 2019	6,912	70	6,982
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION			
At 1 March 2017	2,328	85	2,413
Charge for the year	882	18	900
Disposals	(908)	_	(908)
At 28 February 2018	2,302	103	2,405
Charge for the period	809	11	820
Disposals	(765)	(72)	(837)
At 31 March 2019	2,346	42	2,388
Net book amount 31 March 2019	4,566	28	4,594
Net book amount 28 February 2018	4,226	15	4,241
Net book amount 1 March 2017	5,747	23	5,770

Depreciation expense of £806,000 (28 February 2018: £723,000) is included within operating costs and £14,000 (28 February 2018: £177,000) is included within direct costs.

#### 13 Investments

	Investments in	Investments in
	associates	
	£′000	£′000
At 1 March 2017	8,372	46,089
Additions		31,535
Share of profit/(loss)	7	(609)
Share of revaluation surplus	_	16,670
Share of mark-to-market adjustment on interest rate swaps		107
Share of results	7	16,168
Transfer to subsidiaries	(1,500)	_
Disposal of associate	(2,500)	_
Distributions under profit share arrangements	(4,379)	(14)
Capital distributions – repayment of loans		(972)
At 28 February 2018	_	92,806
Additions	5,777	25,574
Share of (loss)/profit	(14)	10,109
Share of revaluation surplus	_	2,454
Share of mark-to-market adjustment on interest rate swaps		(421)
Share of results	(14)	12,142
Dividend distributions	_	(17,654)
Capital distributions – repayment of loans	_	(8,998)
At 31 March 2019	5,763	103,870

Details of other income received from associates and joint ventures is set out in note 25.

A summary of the Group's projects in partnership and the balance sheet classification of its interests are set out in note 26.

**a) Investment in associates**The Group has the following interest in associates:

Class of property: Level 3	% of holding	Country of incorporation	Principal activity	Reporting segment	Acquisition date	Note
Cannock Designer Outlet Limited Partnership	12.5	United Kingdom	Property development	Development and trading	December 2017	
CDSR Burlington House Developments Limited	20	Ireland	Property development	Development and trading	July 2014	
Northpoint Developments Limited	42	United Kingdom	Property development	Development and trading	November 2007	1

<sup>1</sup> The investment in the associate has been fully provided against.

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#### 13 Investments continued

a) Investment in acceptates continued				
a) Investment in associates continued  31 March 2019	Cannock Designer Outlet Limited Partnership £'000	CDSR Burlington House Developments Limited £'000	Northpoint Developments Limited £'000	Total £′000
SUMMARISED BALANCE SHEETS:				
Non-current assets	_	_	52	52
Current assets	53,443	2,968	7,518	63,929
Current liabilities	(132)	(12)	(1,336)	(1,480)
Non-current liabilities	(7,144)	_	(20,942)	(28,086)
Net assets/(liabilities)	46,167	2,956	(14,708)	34,415
Share of net assets/(liabilities)	5,763	591	(6,177)	177
Net (assets)/liabilities not recognised	_	(591)	6,177	5,586
Group's share of net assets	5,763	_	_	5,763
SUMMARISED INCOME STATEMENTS:				
Revenue	_	_	23,638	23,638
Post-tax losses of associates	(363)	(137)	2,120	1,620
Share of (losses)/profits	(14)	_	890	876
Chara of profits not recognised	_	_	(890)	(890)
Share of profits not recognised			(/	
Share of losses recognised	(14)	_	-	(14)
		CDSR Burlington House Developments Limited £'000	, ,	
Share of losses recognised	Cannock Designer Outlet Limited Partnership £'000	CDSR Burlington House Developments Limited	Northpoint Developments Limited	(14)  Total £'000
28 February 2018  SUMMARISED BALANCE SHEETS: Non-current assets	Cannock Designer Outlet Limited Partnership	CDSR Burlington House Developments Limited £'000	Northpoint Developments Limited £'000	Total £'000 — 18,082
28 February 2018  SUMMARISED BALANCE SHEETS: Non-current assets Current assets	Cannock Designer Outlet Limited Partnership £'000	CDSR Burlington House Developments Limited £'000	Northpoint Developments Limited £'000  579 7,870	Total £'000 — 18,082 14,085
28 February 2018  SUMMARISED BALANCE SHEETS: Non-current assets Current liabilities	Cannock Designer Outlet Limited Partnership £'000 17,503	CDSR Burlington House Developments Limited £'000	Northpoint Developments Limited £'000  579 7,870 (744)	Total £'000  - 18,082 14,085 (22,017)
28 February 2018  SUMMARISED BALANCE SHEETS: Non-current assets Current liabilities Non-current liabilities	Cannock Designer Outlet Limited Partnership £'000	CDSR Burlington House Developments Limited £'000  - 6,215 (3,770)	Northpoint Developments Limited £'000  579 7,870 (744) (24,955)	Total £'000  - 18,082 14,085 (22,017) (24,955)
28 February 2018  SUMMARISED BALANCE SHEETS: Non-current assets Current liabilities Non-current liabilities Net assets/(liabilities)	Cannock Designer Outlet Limited Partnership £'000 17,503	CDSR Burlington House Developments Limited £'000  - 6,215 (3,770) - 2,445	Northpoint Developments Limited £'000  579 7,870 (744) (24,955) (17,250)	Total £'000 - 18,082 14,085 (22,017) (24,955) (14,805)
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Any contingent liabilities in relation to our associate investment partners are disclosed in note 23.

# b) Investment in joint ventures

As at 31 March 2019, the Group has the following interests in joint ventures:

	% of holding	Country of incorporation	Principal activity	Reporting segment	Acquisition date	Accounting reference date
Plus X Holdings Limited	50	United Kingdom	Holding Company	Investment	November 2018	31 March
Bryn Blaen Wind Farm Limited	50	United Kingdom	Property development	Development and trading	May 2011	31 March
Circus Street Developments Limited	49	United Kingdom	Property development	Development and trading	August 2017	31 March
Curzon Park Limited	50	United Kingdom	Property development	Development and trading	November 2006	31 March
Development Equity Partners Limited	50	Jersey	Property development	Development and trading	December 2011	31 March
DSP Piano Investments BV	34	Netherlands	Investment property	Investment	July 2015	31 December
DSP Tirol Limited	50	United Kingdom	Investment property	Investment	January 2015	31 August
DS Renewables LLP	50	United Kingdom	Property development	Development and trading	May 2012	31 March
Harwell Oxford Developments Limited	50	United Kingdom	Property development	Development and trading	December 2013	31 March
Kensington & Edinburgh Estates (South Woodham Ferrers) Limited	50	United Kingdom	Property development	Development and trading	July 2013	31 March
Luxembourg Investment Company 112 Sarl	50	Luxembourg	Property development	Development and trading	November 2016	31 December
Manchester Arena Complex LP	30	United Kingdom	Investment property	Investment	June 2010	31 March
Mayfield Development (General Partner) Limited	50	United Kingdom	Property development	Development and trading	December 2016	31 March
Notting Hill (Guernsey Holdco) Limited	24	Guernsey	Investment property	Development and trading	June 2011	31 December
Opportunities for Sittingbourne Limited	50	United Kingdom	Property development	Development and trading	January 2015	31 March
OSB (Holdco 1) Limited	50	United Kingdom	Property development	Development and trading	February 2014	31 March
Triangle London Developments LLP	50	United Kingdom	Property development	Development and trading	May 2016	31 May
UAI (G) Limited	50	United Kingdom	Property development	Development and trading	June 2016	31 March
UAIP (Drum) BV	20	Netherlands	Investment property	Investment	August 2016	28 February
UAIH Yorkshire Limited	50	United Kingdom	Property development	Development and trading	April 2016	31 March

In November 2018, the Group acquired 50.0% of the share capital in Plus X Holdings Limited with its partners Paul Rostas and Matthew Hunter each holding 25.0% of the share capital. The company is registered and incorporated in the United Kingdom.

Winnebago Holdings Sarl was liquidated in December 2018 and in January 2019 the Becket House Unit Trust was terminated.

Investments under joint arrangements are not always represented by an equal percentage holding by each partner. In a number of joint ventures, the Group holds a minority shareholding but has joint control and therefore the arrangement is accounted for as a joint venture.

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### 13 Investments continued

b) Investment in joint ventures continued

The Group's share of the assets, liabilities, income and expenses of its joint ventures, which includes amounts receivable from those joint ventures, is as follows:

31 March 2019	Harwell Oxford Developments Limited £'000	DSP Piano Investments BV £'000	Luxembourg Investment Company 112 Sarl £'000	Notting Hill (Guernsey Holdco Limited £'000
SUMMARISED BALANCE SHEETS:				
Non-current assets	135,396	_	_	_
Current assets	40,004	457	111,728	64,937
Current liabilities	(10,298)	(114)	(4,612)	(793)
Non-current liabilities	(63,991)	_	(42,166)	(28,402)
Net assets/(liabilities)	101,111	343	64,950	35,742
Net liabilities not recognised	_	_	_	-
Share of net assets recognised	30,322	_	15,481	8,729
SUMMARISED INCOME STATEMENTS:			-	
Revenue	13,012	171	118	1,885
Direct costs	(3,961)	(314)	(908)	(1,242)
Interest costs	(3,555)	(538)	(7,200)	(1,978)
Gain on revaluation/sale	19,798	7,197	_	_
Profit/(loss) before tax	25,294	6,516	(7,990)	(1,335)
Income tax	_	_	_	_
Profit/(loss) after tax	25,294	6,516	(7,990)	(1,335)
Share of profit/(loss) before and after tax	5,955	3,337	(2,990)	(326)

£38,789,000 of cash balances are included within current net asset balances of joint ventures. These include £6,390,000 in the accounts of Luxembourg Investment Company 112 Sarl and £23,029,000 in the accounts of Harwell Oxford Developments Limited.

28 February 2018	Harwell Oxford Developments Limited £'000	DSP Piano Investments BV £'000	Luxembourg Investment Company 112 Sarl £'000	Notting Hill (Guernsey Holdco Limited £'000
SUMMARISED BALANCE SHEETS:				
Non-current assets	_	51,339	_	_
Current assets	129,197	1,953	92,024	62,261
Current liabilities	_	(313)	(3,914)	(2,995)
Non-current liabilities	(31,771)	(10,991)	(58,157)	(25,137)
Net assets/(liabilities)	97,426	41,988	29,953	34,129
Net (assets)/liabilities not recognised	_		_	_
Share of net assets recognised	24,357	14,276	15,330	8,321
SUMMARISED INCOME STATEMENTS:				
Revenue	2,071	1,052	137	1,362
Direct costs	(1,145)	(505)	(232)	(1,041)
Interest costs	(859)	(819)	(1,999)	(1,851)
Gain on revaluation/sale	39,065	21,603	_	
Profit/(loss) before and after tax	39,132	21,331	(2,094)	(1,530)
Share of profit/(loss) before and after tax	10,376	7,461	(344)	(373)

Any contingent liabilities in relation to our joint ventures are disclosed in note 23.

Tax liabilities in respect of joint ventures are shown above. Where no tax arises, this is due to the joint venture being in a loss making position, having tax losses carried forward or due to the utilisation of tax losses from other Group companies.

Circus Street Developments Limited £'000	Mayfield Development (General Partner) Limited £'000	UAIP (Drum) BV £'000	DSP Tirol Limited £'000	UAIH Yorkshire Limited £'000	Bryn Blaen Wind Farm Limited £'000	Curzon Park Limited £'000	OSB (Holdco 1) Limited £'000	Other £'000	Total £′000
- 33,473 (5,084) (15,881)	32,453 (762)	18,000 667 (306) (5,231)	21,175 (7,959) (10,580)	6,422 (577) (4,900)	59,704 (625) (24,910)	39,694 (4,938)	- 37,530 (1,548) (45,276)	- 6,445 (1,068) -	153,396 454,689 (38,684) (241,337)
12,508 -	31,691 –	13,130 –	2,636 -	945	34,169 –	34,756 –	(9,294) 9,294	5,377 -	328,064 9,294
3,642	13,193	2,682	3,472	697	17,085	5,336	_	3,231	103,870
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(2)	(26)	6,979	(305)	691	4,937	9,928	(4,502)	(212)	39,973
(1)	(26)	1,378	(627)	346	2,469	4,613	(1,845)	(141)	12,142
Circus Street Developments Limited £'000	Mayfield Development (General Partner) Limited £'000	UAIP (Drum) BV £'000	DSP Tirol Limited £'000	UAIH Yorkshire Limited £'000	Bryn Blaen Wind Farm Limited £'000	Curzon Park Limited £'000	OSB (Holdco 1) Limited £'000	Other £'000	Total £'000
Developments Limited	Development (General Partner) Limited	BV	Limited	Limited	Wind Farm Limited	Limited	(Holdco 1) Limited		
Developments Limited £'000  - 15,624 (2,526) (2,886) 10,212	Development (General Partner) Limited £'000 – 25,481 (345) (14,866)	11,012 679 (58) (5,307)	Limited £'000 16,727 4,786 (2,430) (13,819)	Limited £'000 - 5,225 (95) (4,882) 248	Wind Farm Limited £'000  - 45,984 (22,909)	Limited £'000 - 35,812 - (10,505) 25,307	(Holdco 1) Limited £'000 —————————————————————————————————	2,823 (207) (118) 2,498	79,078 456,985 (37,142) (219,262) 279,659
Developments Limited £'000  - 15,624 (2,526) (2,886) 10,212 -	Development (General Partner) Limited £'000 - 25,481 (345) (14,866) 10,270	11,012 679 (58) (5,307) 6,326	Limited £'000 16,727 4,786 (2,430) (13,819) 5,264	Limited £'000 - 5,225 (95) (4,882) 248	Wind Farm Limited £'000  45,984 (22,909)  23,075	Limited £'000 - 35,812 - (10,505) 25,307 (24,787)	(Holdco 1) Limited £'000 - 35,136 (1,350) (40,823) (7,037) 7,037	£'000 - 2,823 (207) (118) 2,498	79,078 456,985 (37,142) (219,262) 279,659 (17,750)

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# 13 Investments continued

### c) Principal subsidiaries

The Group's principal subsidiaries at 31 March 2019 are set out below. They have share capital consisting solely of Ordinary share capital that is held directly by the Group and the proportion of ownership interest equals the voting rights held by the Group. Principal subsidiaries are those undertakings with net assets in excess of 5.0% of Group net assets.

	% of holding	Country of incorporation	Principal activity
Development Securities Estates PLC	100	United Kingdom	Management and investment company
Development Securities (Investments) PLC	100	United Kingdom	Property investment
U and I (Projects) Limited	100	United Kingdom	Development and investment holding
			company
Cathedral (Preston Barracks) Limited	100	United Kingdom	Development company

A full list of subsidiaries is disclosed in note 41.

### 14 Inventory

	Development properties £'000	Trading properties £′000	Total £′000
DEVELOPMENT AND TRADING PROPERTIES			
At 1 March 2017	165,588	42,754	208,342
Additions:			
- acquisitions	3,131	_	3,131
<ul> <li>development expenditure</li> </ul>	132,101	2,110	134,211
Transfer to investment assets (refer note 9)	(471)	(13,000)	(13,471)
Disposals	(90,428)	(18,616)	(109,044)
Foreign currency differences	_	580	580
Net write down of development properties to net realisable value	(7,356)		(7,356)
At 28 February 2018	202,565	13,828	216,393
Additions:			
- acquisitions	_	35,912	35,912
<ul> <li>development expenditure</li> </ul>	66,190	361	66,551
– capitalised staff costs	1,369	_	1,369
Transfer to investment assets (refer note 9)	(2,720)	_	(2,720)
Disposals	(97,985)	(6,507)	(104,492)
Foreign currency differences	_	(117)	(117)
Net write down of development properties to net realisable value	(7,402)	(1,735)	(9,137)
At 31 March 2019	162,017	41,742	203,759

Included in the above amounts are projects stated at net realisable value of £88,266,000 (28 February 2018: £79,565,000).

Net realisable value has been estimated by the Directors, taking account of the plans for each project, the planning status and competitive position of each asset, and the anticipated market for the scheme. For material developments, the Directors have consulted with third-party chartered surveyors in setting their market assumptions.

Interest of £3,184,000 (28 February 2018: £1,740,000) was capitalised on development and trading properties during the period. Capitalised interest included within the carrying value of such properties on the Balance Sheet is £5,837,000 (28 February 2018: £5,354,000).

119,629

60,426

# 15 Trade and other receivables

a) Non-current		
	31 March 2019	28 February 2018
	£'000	£′000
Other receivables	1,400	_
Prepayments	3,217	2,487
	4,617	2,487
b) Current		
2, 04.10.11	31 March 2019 £'000	28 February 2018 £'000
Trade receivables	3,393	45,216
Other receivables	22,167	23,556
Other tax and social security	2,327	1,556
Prepayments	237	3,339
Accrued income	32,302	45,962

The Group has provided £1,197,000 (28 February 2018: £1,092,000) for outstanding balances where recovery is considered doubtful. Apart from the receivables that have been provided for at the year end, there is no further material expected credit loss. The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the carrying value of the receivable.

Transactions and balances with related parties are disclosed in note 25.

### 16 Trade and other payables

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a) Current			
		31 March	28 February
		2019	2018
		£′000	£′000
Trade payables		2,500	27,286
Other payables		14,031	14,521
Other tax and social security		5,140	12,198
Accruals		37,126	36,326
Deferred income		18,489	9,385
Deferred income		•	
		77,286	99,716
b) Provisions			
	Onerous	Other	
	leases	provisions	Total
	£′000	£′000	£′000
At 1 March 2018	416	2,513	2,929
Utilised during the period	(55)	(1,481)	(1,536)
Provisions released	(209)	(521)	(730)
Unwind of discount	19	_	19
At 31 March 2019	171	511	682
		31 March	28 February
		2019	2018
Analysis of total provisions		£′000	£′000
Non-current		646	416
Current		36	2,513
		682	2,929

Two provisions of £171,000 (28 February 2018: £416,000) relate to onerous lease obligations entered into in 2009 and 1974.

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### 17 Financial assets and financial liabilities

The following table is a summary of the financial assets and financial liabilities included in the Consolidated Balance Sheet:

	31 March 2019 £′000	28 February 2018 £'000
NON-CURRENT ASSETS  Loans and receivables – available for sale  Loan and receivables at amortised cost less impairment  Loans at fair value through profit or loss  Trade and other receivables at amortised cost less impairment  Financial asset at fair value through OCI  Derivative financial instruments not used for hedging at fair value through profit or loss	3,204 13,244 1,400 1,271	15,812 - - - - 10
	19,119	15,822
CURRENT ASSETS  Loan notes at amortised cost less impairment  Loans and receivables – available for sale  Loans and receivables at fair value through profit or loss	8,962 - 13,672	8,888 7,949
Trade and other receivables at amortised cost less impairment  Monies held in restricted accounts and deposits  Cash and cash equivalents	57,862 8,841 31,911 121,248	114,734 11,473 40,626 183,670
Total financial assets	140,367	199,492
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CURRENT LIABILITIES Trade and other payables at amortised cost Borrowings at amortised cost	(53,657) (37,394) (91,051)	(78,133) (63,209) (141,342)
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Borrowings at amortised cost	(142,362)	(107,975)
T . 10	(142,362)	(107,975)
Total financial liabilities	(233,413)	(249,317)
a) Other financial assets	31 March 2019 £′000	28 February 2018 £'000
NON-CURRENT  Development loans – available-for-sale financial assets  Development loans at amortised cost less impairment  Development loans – FVPL*  PropTech investment – FVPL  LaSalle investment – available-for-sale financial assets	3,204 12,666 578	14,527 - - - 1,285
LaSalle investment – FVOCI*	1,271	
	17,719	15,812

<sup>\*</sup> Financial assets reclassified following the adoption of IFRS 9.

The Group has three funding agreements totalling £6,793,000 (28 February 2018: £3,678,000), in respect of projects in partnership. Funding of £344,000 (28 February 2018: £344,000) has been provided to Henry Davidson Developments Limited in respect of one project. Interest of 12.5% is charged in respect of this funding.

Development loans FVPL also includes £5,529,000 in respect of property assets or cash consideration that the Group will receive on completion of certain development projects in the future.

The Group holds a 5.0% holding in LaSalle Land Limited Partnership which has been classified as a financial asset held at fair value through OCI.

During the year the Group was invited to participate in a funding application of a PropTech company and the Group invested £578,000. The Group holds approximately 1% of the share capital in the company. The entity is not a listed company and therefore the Directors consider that cost is the best estimate of the fair value. The investment is held as a non-current financial asset and any future uplift or decline in value will be reflected through profit or loss.

	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
CURRENT		
Loan notes at amortised cost less impairment	8,962	8,888
Loans and receivables available-for-sale – Northpoint Developments Limited	_	7,949
Loans and receivables at FVPL*	13,672	_
	22,634	16,837

<sup>\*</sup> Financial assets reclassified following the adoption of IFRS 9.

The Group holds loan notes with a carrying value of £8,962,000 (28 February 2018: £8,888,000), issued by Northpoint Developments Limited, with a fixed coupon rate of 4.25%. These loan notes are repayable on a rolling one-year basis. As at 31 March 2019, the Group has made a provision of £1,689,000 (28 February 2018: £1,363,000) against interest receivable in respect of these loan notes.

Development loans include a number of working capital and project-specific loans of £5,249,000 (28 February 2018: £7,949,000) to Northpoint Developments Limited. The loans attract fixed coupon rates of between 5.0% and 13.0%. Included in the above amount are two interest-free loans of £408,000 (28 February 2018: £408,000). As at 31 March 2019, the Group has made a provision of £2,206,000 (28 February 2018: £1,609,000) against interest receivable in respect of these loans.

Previously, the Group provided a loan of £10,505,000 to the Curzon Park Limited joint venture in order to repay a share of its bank debt. The joint venture partner provided the equivalent amount. The bank loan, originally secured against the 10.5-acre site in Birmingham, has since been fully repaid. During the period, the Group received a payment on account of £6,787,000 in respect of the CPO of the Curzon Street land. The Group has reviewed the assets and liabilities in respect of Curzon Park in accordance with the expected credit loss model. As a result, the Group has reassessed its position in respect of the CPO and has reversed a previous provision of £4,705,000 made for the Group's share of losses in the joint venture as they are now deemed recoverable. Both amounts are recognised as a financial asset held at fair value through profit or loss.

### b) Borrowings

	31 March 2019	28 February 2018
AUDDENIE	€′000	£′000
CURRENT		
Bank overdrafts	_	_
Current instalments due on bank loans	804	1,034
Current loans maturing	37,084	62,550
Unamortised transaction costs	(494)	(375)
	37,394	63,209
	31 March	28 February
	2019	2018
	£′000	£′000
NON-CURRENT		
Bank loans and loan notes	143,889	109,143
Unamortised transaction costs	(1,527)	(1,168)
	142.362	107.975

Bank loans are secured by way of mortgages and legal charges on certain properties and cash deposits held by the Group.

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# 17 Financial assets and financial liabilities continued

b) Borrowings continued

	31 March 2019	28 February 2018
	£′000	£′000
BORROWINGS		
£30,750,000 fixed rate loan 2018	_	20,398
£12,000,000 variable rate loan 2019	_	6,276
£10,415,000 variable rate loan 2020	10,415	10,167
£26,652,000 fixed rate loan 2020	26,652	25,692
£2,795,000 variable rate loan 2020	_	2,105
€47,000,000 variable rate loan notes 2021	40,448	41,483
£16,800,000 fixed rate loan 2022	15,800	_
£19,710,000 variable rate loan 2022	13,410	_
€8,515,000 fixed rate loan 2022	7,328	_
€2,180,000 fixed rate loan 2023	1,876	_
£66,666,000 fixed rate loan 2032	65,831	66,589
£16,500 variable rate loan notes 1999	17	17
	181,777	172,727
Less: current instalments due on bank loans	(804)	(1,034)
Current loans maturing	(37,084)	(62,550)
	143,889	109,143

£30,750,000 fixed rate loan

This loan was repaid in October 2018.

£12,000,000 variable rate loan

This loan was repaid in March 2019.

£10,415,000 variable rate loan

This is a £9,500,000 secured development facility on which interest can be rolled up. The loan has been extended and is now repayable in one instalment on 31 January 2020. The current balance outstanding on the facility is £10,415,000, including £915,000 of rolled up interest.

£26,652,000 variable rate loan

This loan is repayable in one instalment on 31 January 2020. The current balance outstanding on the facility is £26,652,000.

£2.795.000 variable rate loan

This loan was repaid in March 2019.

€47,000,000 variable EURIBOR loan notes

These unsecured, Euro-denominated loan notes are repayable on 24 April 2021.

£16,800,000 variable rate loan

This loan is repayable in one instalment on 15 January 2022. The current balance outstanding on the facility is £15,800,000.

£19,710,000 variable rate loan

This loan is repayable in one instalment on 25 March 2022. The current balance outstanding on the facility is £13,410,000.

€8,515,000 fixed rate loan

This loan is repayable in one instalment on 13 December 2022. The current balance outstanding on the facility is €8,515,000.

€2,180,000 fixed rate loan

This loan is repayable in one instalment on 28 March 2023. The current balance outstanding on the facility is €2,180,000.

### £66,666,000 fixed rate loan facility

£16,431,000 loan capital amortises over the term of the loan. The remaining £50,235,000 is repayable in one instalment on 5 December 2032. The current balance outstanding on the facility is £65,831,000.

### £16,500 loan notes

These unsecured loan notes were repayable in 1999. The balance of £16,500 represents the residual amount of unredeemed loan notes.

A full explanation of the Group's borrowings and any changes since the balance sheet date can be found in the Financial Review on pages 87 to 93.

### c) Derivative financial instruments

Assets	31 March 2019 £′000	28 February 2018 £'000
Derivative financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss:		
Interest rate swaps, caps and collars	_	10
Foreign exchange contracts	_	_
Derivative financial assets	_	10

As at 31 March 2019, the Group held interest rate swaps, caps and collars designated as economic hedges and not qualifying as effective hedges under IFRS 9. The derivatives are used to mitigate the Group's interest rate exposure to variable rate loans of £40,448,000 (28 February 2018: £47,759,000). The fair value of the derivatives as at 31 March 2019 is £nil (28 February 2018: £10,000 asset).

### Fair value estimation

The table below analyses financial instruments carried at fair value, by valuation method. The different levels are defined as follows:

- i. Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1).
- ii. Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (Level 2).
- iii. Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs) (Level 3). Discounted cash flows are used to determine fair values of these instruments.

The following table presents the Group's assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value:

	Level 1 £'000	Level 2 £'000	Level 3 £'000	31 March 2019 Total £'000	Level 1 £'000	Level 2 £'000	Level 3 £'000	28 February 2018 Total £'000
ASSETS .								
Financial assets – available-for-sale	_	_	_	_	_	_	15,812	15,812
Financial assets – FVPL	_	_	13,244	13,244	_	_	_	_
Financial assets – FVOCI	_	_	1,271	1,271	_	-	_	_
Current financial assets – available-for-sale	_	_	_	_	_	_	7,949	7,949
Current financial assets – FVPL	_	_	13,672	13,672	_	_	_	_
Derivative financial instruments:								
Derivative financial instruments at fair value								
through profit or loss	_	_	_	_		10		10
Total assets	-	_	28,187	28,187	_	10	23,761	23,771

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# 17 Financial assets and financial liabilities continued

### d) Financial risk management

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including fair value interest rate risk, cash flow interest rate risk and foreign currency risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The objective of financial risk management function is to establish the Group's risk limits and to ensure that exposure to risk stays within established limits. The Group's overall risk management focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Group's financial performance. The Group uses derivative financial instruments to hedge certain risk exposures.

The nature and extent of the Group's financial risks, and the Directors' approach to managing those risks, are described in the Financial Review on pages 87 to 93 and below. This note provides further detailed information on these risks.

The Group defines capital as total equity and monitors this on the basis of gearing.

### (i) Interest rate maturity profile of financial liabilities

The following table sets out the carrying amount by maturity of the Group's financial instruments that are exposed to interest rate risk:

31 March 2019	Within one year £'000	One to two years £'000	Two to three years £'000	Three to four years £'000	Four to five years £'000	More than five years £'000	Total £′000
Fixed rate borrowings	26,652	_	15,800	_	_	65,831	108,283
Variable rate borrowings	10,432	_	13,410	9,204	_	_	33,046
Variable rate borrowings with interest rate caps or swaps	_	_	40,448	_	_	_	40,448
	37,084	_	69,658	9,204	_	65,831	181,777
28 February 2018	Within one year £′000	One to two years	Two to three years	Three to four years	Four to five years £'000	More than five years	Total £′000
Fixed rate borrowings Variable rate borrowings	46,090 10,184	-	2,105	-	-	66,589	112,679 12,289
Variable rate borrowings with interest rate caps or swaps	6,276 62,550		2,105	_	41,483 41.483	66.589	47,759 172,727

Interest on financial instruments classified as variable rate is re-priced at intervals of less than one year. Interest on financial instruments classified as fixed rate is fixed until the maturity of the instrument. The other financial assets and financial liabilities of the Group that are not included above are non-interest bearing and are therefore not subject to interest rate risk.

### (ii) Foreign currency risk

During the period the Group has continued to invest in the Republic of Ireland. Foreign currency exposure is monitored by the Board. Foreign currency risk arises from future commercial transactions, recognised assets and liabilities and net investments in foreign operations.

The Board has set up a policy to manage foreign currency risk against the Group's functional currency. When the Group acquires property assets denominated in Euros, any associated borrowings will also be denominated in Euros to limit exposure. Where appropriate, the Board will also require the foreign exchange risk to be hedged. The Group also holds cash in Euro denominated deposit accounts to act as a natural hedge against its Euro denominated borrowings.

As at 31 March 2019, the Group was exposed to foreign currency risk from €47,000,000 (28 February 2018: €47,000,000) loan notes denominated in Euros. In addition to the loan notes, the Group drew down two new Euro-denominated loan facilities during the period of €8,515,000 and €2,180,000.

During the period to 31 March 2019, the movement of Sterling against the Euro was less volatile than in the previous 12-month period. Management consider 10.0% to be a prudent measure of sensitivity while negotiations continue regarding exit from the EU.

The following table demonstrates the possible effect of changes in Sterling and Euro exchange rates on loan balances with all other variables held constant:

	Increase/ decrease in rate	balances
31 March 2019	+10%	4,514
Sterling against Euro	-10%	(5,517)
28 February 2018	+10%	3,771
Sterling against Euro	-10%	(4,609)

### (iii) Interest rate risk

The Group's interest bearing assets do not generate significant amounts of interest and therefore are not sensitive to fluctuations interest rates.

The Group's interest rate risk principally arises from long-term borrowings. Borrowings issued at variable rates are partially offset by cash held at variable rates. The Board closely monitors interest rate risk and considers whether to fix or cap interest rates on a loan-by-loan basis. Longer-term facilities tend to be structured with fixed rates, whereas for shorter-term loans a cap may be preferred. Similar principles are also employed in respect of joint ventures.

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity in respect of variable rate debt obligations to a change in interest rates, with other variables held constant, of the Group's profit before income tax.

The sensitivity analysis excludes all non-derivative fixed rate financial instruments carried at amortised cost as well as variable rate financial instruments.

Fair value interest rate hedging instruments that are part of a hedging relationship have been excluded. Variable rate non-derivative financial instruments where the associated interest has been capitalised have also been excluded.

As at 31 March 2019, a movement of 50 basis points higher or lower, with all other variables held constant, would have the following effect on profit before tax. Management consider a movement of 50 basis points to be a reasonable guide to sensitivity in the current interest rate environment.

	Increase/ decrease in basis points	Effect on profit before tax £'000
31 March 2019	+50	(291)
Sterling borrowings	-50	291
28 February 2018	+50	(229)
Sterling borrowings	-50	229

# (iv) Price risk

The Group is not exposed to commodity or security price risk.

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### 17 Financial assets and financial liabilities continued

d) Financial risk management continued

### (v) Liquidity risk

The Group maintains a sufficient level of cash and access to credit facilities in order to maintain its liquidity position. The Group's liquidity position is monitored daily by management and a full 15-month cash flow forecast is presented to the Board at each meeting.

The table below summarises the maturity profile of the Group's financial liabilities at 31 March 2019 and 28 February 2018 on a contractual undiscounted payments basis:

31 March 2019	On demand £′000	Less than three months £'000	Three to 12 months £'000	One to five years £'000	More than five years £'000	Total £′000
MATURITY PROFILE OF FINANCIAL LIABILITIES						
Interest-bearing loans and borrowings	17	2,118	43,210	97,949	101,544	244,838
Trade and other payables	_	38,536	14,031	_	_	52,567
	17	40,654	57,241	97,949	101,544	297,405
		Less than				
	0	three	Three to	One to	More than	T-+-I
28 February 2018	On demand £'000	months £′000	12 months £′000	five years £′000	five years £'000	Total £′000
MATURITY PROFILE OF FINANCIAL LIABILITIES						
Interest-bearing loans and borrowings	17	2,049	68,249	60,207	106,842	237,364
Trade and other payables	_	44,255	33,878	_	_	78,133
	17	46,304	102,127	60,207	106,842	315,497

### (vi) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market prices. The Group's market risk is sensitive to foreign currency movements and interest rate fluctuations.

A summary of market risk and its effect on the Group is set out in the Risk Review on pages 82 to 85 and further discussed in the Market Review on pages 42 to 49 and in the Portfolio Review on pages 24 to 32.

### Fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities

Except as detailed below, in respect of fixed rate loan facilities, the Directors consider the carrying amount to be either fair value or a reasonable approximation of fair value.

### Fixed rate debt

A valuation was carried out as at 31 March 2019 by J C Rathbone Associates Limited, to calculate the market value of the Group's fixed rate debt on a replacement basis, taking into account the difference between fixed interest rates for the Group's borrowings and the market value and prevailing interest rate of appropriate debt instruments. Whilst the replacement basis provides a consistent method for valuation of fixed rate debt, such financing facilities are in place to provide continuing funding for the Group's activities. The valuation is therefore only an indication of a notional effect on the net asset value of the Group as at 31 March 2019, and may be subject to daily fluctuations in line with money market movements.

J C Rathbone Associates Limited have consented to the use of their name in the financial statements.

The fair value compared with the carrying amounts of the Group's fixed rate financial liabilities as at 31 March 2019 and 28 February 2018 is analysed below:

	Book value 31 March	Fair value 31 March	Book value 28 February	Fair value 28 February
	2019	2019	2018	2018
	£′000	£′000	£′000	£′000
Fixed rate term loan due 2032	65,831	78,479	66,589	76,103

The fair value difference of £12,648,000 at 31 March 2019 (28 February 2018: £9,514,000) represents approximately 19.2% of gross, fixed rate borrowings (28 February 2018: 14.3%). The effect on net assets per share after tax of this adjustment would be a decrease of 8.2 pence after tax (28 February 2018: 6.1 pence decrease).

# (vii) Credit risk

Crédit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation. The Group has no significant concentrations of credit risk.

Credit risk is managed on a Group basis. The Group has policies in place to protect against credit risk:

- Rental contracts are entered into with lessees with suitable credit history and are monitored throughout their tenancy.
- Cash balances and derivative contracts are held with suitably rated financial institutions and limits are placed on the value of deposits with each institution.

The Group has three types of financial assets which are subject to the expected credit loss model:

- Trade receivables.
- Debt investments held at FVOCI.
- Debt investments held at amortised cost.

Cash and cash equivalents and tenant deposits are subject to impairments tests under IFRS 9, however the identified loss is considered immaterial. Tenant deposits are only refunded to lessees once all obligations have been settled. The fair value of cash and cash equivalents as at 31 March 2019 and 28 February 2018 approximate to their carrying values.

Trade receivables for investment property tenants are demanded and collected by third-party managing agents acting for the Group. Balances are closely monitored and legal action is taken if payments are overdue where no alternative payment plan has been put in place. The Group operates a diversified portfolio with a mix of office, retail and residential assets with over 400 tenants. The Group's maximum exposure to a single entity is limited to approximately 5% of the annual rent roll. Due diligence is carried out on new tenants and nearly 65% of the rental income comes from PLCs, national retailers, FTSE 100 or the Government. It is assumed that if a tenant defaults the recovery will be zero.

To measure the expected credit loss of trade receivables, the Group has reviewed aged balances on a portfolio basis. The Group has based its assessment on previous bad debts, current trading conditions of the tenant portfolio in the different sectors they operate and future expectations.

On that basis the impairment provision for 31 March 2019 is calculated as follows:

Days past due	Estimated default rate %	Gross carrying amount £'000	Lifetime expected loss £'000
Quarterly rent roll			
0-30 days	0.5	1,338	_
31-60 days	0.5	27	_
61–90 days	1.0	226	2
91–120 days	15.0	26	4
120+ days	50.0	194	98
		1,811	104

The Group holds a 5.0% investment in the LaSalle Land Limited Partnership. The fund looks to purchase or take out options or promotion agreements on land. The fund actively promotes the sites, aiming to enhance their value by obtaining planning permissions, ultimately selling the plots for a gain.

The fund currently has interest in five land plots around the UK. At each reporting date, the Group fair values its holding based on the projected future cash flows of the fund. Any uplift or decline in value of the fund will be reflected in OCI.

As at 31 March 2019, the fair value of the Group's holding is £1,271,000 (28 February 2018: £1,285,000).

### 18 Deferred income tax

The following are the deferred income tax liabilities and assets and movements thereon recognised by the Group during the current and previous financial period/year. The UK corporation tax rate is 19% (28 February 2018: 19%). Deferred income tax is calculated on the temporary differences under the liability method using a tax rate of 17% (28 February 2018: 17%).

	31 March	28 February
	2019	2018
	£′000	£′000
Charge/(credit) for the period/year in the income statement (refer note 6)	89	(144)
Credited directly to equity	_	
	89	(144)
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### 18 Deferred income tax continued

	Decelerated capital allowances	Provisions	Profit on disposal	Provision for unrealised inter Group profits	Property revaluations	Tax losses	Net fair value adjustments	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£′000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£′000
DEFERRED INCOME TAX (ASSETS)/LIABILITIES RECOGNISED:								
At 1 March 2017	(60)	(475)	545	_	_	(824)	3,023	2,209
(Credited)/charged to the income statement	(163)	86	(545)	_	1,660	211	(1,393)	(144)
At 28 February 2018 Charged/(credited) to the	(223)	(389)	_	_	1,660	(613)	1,630	2,065
income statement	218	_	_	(321)	707	34	(549)	89
At 31 March 2019	(5)	(389)	_	(321)	2,367	(579)	1,081	2,154
							31 March 2019	28 February 2018

	2019	2018
	£′000	£′000
Deferred income tax assets	1,294	1,225
Deferred income tax liabilities	(3,448)	(3,290)
NET DEFERRED INCOME TAX LIABILITIES	(2,154)	(2,065)

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are only offset where there is a legally enforceable right of offset and there is an intention to settle the balances net. Deferred income tax assets arising from the Group's trading and capital losses are recognised on the basis that there will be sufficient profits in the foreseeable future to utilise such losses as assessed by management forecasts. The Group has not recognised deferred income tax assets of £6,714,000 (28 February 2018: £6,818,000) in respect of losses amounting to £39,494,000 (28 February 2018: £40,105,000) that can be carried forward against future taxable income.

Movements in deferred income tax assets and liabilities (prior to the offsetting of balances) are shown above.

# 19 Share capital

	2019 £'000	28 February 2018 £'000
Issued, called up and fully paid 125,431,713 Ordinary shares of 50 pence (28 February 2018: 125,342,726 Ordinary shares of 50 pence)	62,716	62,671

	Number of shares
Shares in issue at the date of this report	125,431,713

The Company has one class of Ordinary shares which carry no right to fixed income.

During the period, the Company utilised 74,143 treasury shares to satisfy its obligations under the Company's 2015 LTIP award. In addition, the Company acquired 646,134 of its own shares through purchases on the London Stock Exchange for an average price of £2.07 per share. The total amount paid to acquire the shares was £1,350,000 and has been deducted from shareholder equity. The shares are held as 'treasury shares'. The Company has purchased the shares in order to satisfy its obligations under the Group's Long-term Incentive Plan. As at 31 March 2019, the Group holds a total of 690,783 treasury shares (28 February 2018: 118,792).

The Company has the right to re-issue these shares at a later date. All shares are fully paid.

# a) Share option schemes

As at 31 March 2019, and at the date of this report, the options outstanding under the Company's share option schemes were exercisable as set out below (price stated in pence per share). The share options are more fully described in the Remuneration Report on pages 131 to 148.

SAYE option plan 2005:

Date of grant	31.03.19 Number	22.05.19 Number	Exercise dates	Price
19 December 2017	293,589	293,589	1 February 2021 to 31 July 2021	152.0

### b) Share-based payments

The following table illustrates the number and weighted average exercise prices of, and movements in, share options during the period:

		31 March		28 February
		2019		2018
		Weighted		Weighted
		average		average
		exercise		exercise
		price		price
Assets	Number	Pence	Number	Pence
At 1 March 2018 and 1 March 2017	446,830	158.5	228,172	179.2
Options granted	_	_	339,666	152.0
Options exercised	(88,987)	179.2	(115,986)	179.2
Options lapsed	(7,029)	179.2	_	_
Options cancelled	(57,225)	152.0	(5,022)	179.2
At 31 March 2019 and 28 February 2018	293,589	152.0	446,830	158.5

The options outstanding at 31 March 2019 are exercisable at 152.0 pence per share and have a weighted average remaining contractual life of 2.3 years (28 February 2018: 2.6 years).

The fair value of grants is measured at the grant date using a Black-Scholes pricing model, taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the instruments were granted. The services received and a liability to pay for those services are recognised over the expected vesting period. The main assumptions of the Black-Scholes pricing model are as follows:

Grant date	19.12.17
Exercise price (pence)	152.0
Term (years)	3
Expected volatility	21%
Expected dividend yield p.a.	3.0%
Risk-free rate	1.5%
Expected forfeiture p.a.	£nil

Expected volatility was determined by calculating the historical volatility of the U and I Group PLC share price over multiple time periods. The expected volatility reflects the assumption that the historical volatility is indicative of future trends, which may not necessarily be the actual outcome.

The expected life of the options is based on historical data and is not necessarily indicative of exercise patterns that may occur.

### c) Conditional awards under the Long-Term Incentive Plan (LTIP)

The LTIP commenced on 1 March 2015 and the first award vested in June 2018. The terms of these plans are set out in the Remuneration Report on pages 131 to 148.

The first award made under the LTIP was on 5 June 2015. Under the scheme, Ordinary shares are conditionally awarded based on the performance of the Group over a four-year period for Executive Directors and a three-year period for staff. The performance of the Group is referenced to the net asset value per share growth over the vesting period and is based on non-market conditions. The Directors assess the likelihood of the award vesting with the maximum amount that will vest based on a forward-looking forecast of the Group.

The principal assumptions for calculating the fair value of the Ordinary shares conditionally awarded are:

	LTIP	LTIP	LTIP
	2019	2018	2017
Ordinary shares conditionally awarded (no. of shares)	2,042,204	2,446,632	2,319,839
Date of award	7 June 2018	30 May 2017	9 June 2016
Share price (pence)	244.5	194.2	191.1
Vesting period (months)	33	33	33

The credit recognised for equity-settled share-based payments in respect of employee services received during the period is a £10,000 (28 February 2018: £1,750,000 charge). The credit has arisen due to the 2016 LTIP award not vesting and reassessment of the projections for the 2017 and 2018 awards.

The charge recognised for cash-settled share-based payments during the period is £nil (28 February 2018: £nil).

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# 20 Reserves and movements in equity

	Share capital £'000	Share premium £'000	Net unrealised gain/(loss) reserve £'000	Share-based payments reserve £'000	Capital redemption reserve £'000	Capital reserve £'000	Merger reserve £'000	Treasury shares £'000
At 1 March 2017	62,613	104,325	2,133	2,039	1,631	44,188	4,725	(165)
Employee share option								
scheme	58	150	_	_	_	_	_	_
Share-based payments	_	_	_	1,750	_	_	_	_
Revaluation of operating								
property realised on sale	_	_	35	_	_	_	_	_
Currency translation			000					
differences – Group			292					
At 28 February 2018	62,671	104,475	2,460	3,789	1,631	44,188	4,725	(165)
Employee share option								
scheme	45	115	_	_	_	_	_	_
Share-based payments –								
SAYE exercised	_	_	_	(109)	_	_	_	_
Share-based payments –				(0.00)				
LTIP exercised	_	_	_	(962)	_	_	_	_
Share-based payments	_	_	_	(10)	_	_	_	_
Treasury shares utilised	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	57
Treasury shares purchased	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(1,350)
Revaluation of operating								
property realised on sale	_	_	40	_	_	_	_	_
Currency translation								
differences – Group			163					
At 31 March 2019	62,716	104,590	2,663	2,708	1,631	44,188	4,725	(1,458)

The capital redemption reserve arose from business combinations in prior financial years. This reserve is not distributable.

The merger reserve comprises the premium on shares following the share issue to acquire Cathedral Group. No share premium is recorded in the Company's financial statements through the operation of the Merger Relief provisions of the Companies Act 2006.

# **Retained earnings**

	£′000_
At 1 March 2017	126,136
Profit for the year	40,256
Final dividend 2017	(4,379)
Supplemental dividend 2017	(3,503)
Interim dividend 2018	(3,003)
At 28 February 2018	155,507
Profit for the period	5,200
Share-based payments – SAYE exercised	109
Final dividend 2018	(4,390)
Supplemental dividend 2018	(15,033)
Interim dividend 2019	(3,011)
At 31 March 2019	138,382

### 21 Note to the cash flow statement

Reconciliation of profit before income tax to net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities:

	31 March 2019	28 February 2018
	£′000	£′000
Profit before income tax	6,320	48,172
Adjustments for:		
Loss/(gain) on disposal of investment properties	223	(3,324)
Loss on revaluation of property portfolio	11,165	2,417
Other income	_	(2,089)
Share of post-tax profits of joint ventures and associates	(12,128)	(16, 175)
Profit from sale of investment	(3,888)	(6,713)
Loss/(profit) on sale of other plant and equipment	42	(5)
Finance income	(617)	(94)
Finance cost	6,432	9,783
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	885	960
Operating cash flows before movements in working capital	8,434	32,932
Decrease/(increase) in development and trading properties	3,680	(10,037)
Decrease/(increase) in receivables	45,635	(57,042)
(Decrease)/increase in payables	(23,940)	33,696
(Decrease)/increase in provisions	(2,247)	240
Cash flows generated from/(used in) operating activities	31,562	(211)

Analysis of movement in net debt

		31	March 2019		28 F	ebruary 2018
	Cash and deposits £′000	Borrowings £'000	Net debt £'000	Cash and deposits £′000	Borrowings £'000	Net debt £'000
At 1 March	52,099	(171,184)	(119,085)	51,271	(172,125)	(120,854)
Cash flow	(11,347)	(7,780)	(19,127)	840	2,419	3,259
Foreign currency exchange movements	_	1,035	1,035	(12)	(1,497)	(1,509)
Non-cash movements	_	(1,827)	(1,827)	_	19	19
At 31 March/28 February	40,752	(179,756)	(139,004)	52,099	(171,184)	(119,085)

# 22 Financial commitments and operating lease arrangements

# Capital commitments

At 31 March 2019, the Group had contracted capital expenditure of £148,000 (28 February 2018: £nil). The Group has no commitments for loans to its associates (28 February 2018: £nil).

# **Operating lease arrangements**

Operating lease arrangements in respect of land and buildings where the Group is lessee:

	31 March 2019 £′000	28 February 2018 £'000
Minimum lease payments under operating leases recognised for the period/year	3,606	4,363

At the balance sheet date, the Group had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

31 March	28 February
2019	2018
Ε΄000	£′000
Within one year 3,073	4,397
In the second to fifth years inclusive 10,991	11,778
After five years 2,119	4,694
16,183	20,869

Operating lease payments represent rentals payable by the Group for some of its leasehold properties. Leases were negotiated for an average term of 13.4 years (28 February 2018: 13.4 years).

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### 22 Financial commitments and operating lease arrangements continued

Operating lease arrangements continued

In respect of operating lease arrangements where the Group is lessor, at the balance sheet date, the Group had contracted with tenants for the following future minimum payments:

	31 March 2019	28 February 2018
	£′000	£′000
Within one year	12,595	7,856
In the second to fifth years inclusive	37,015	23,639
After five years	34,290	24,739
	83,900	56,234

Property investment income earned during the period was £16,299,000 (28 February 2018: £12,086,000).

### 23 Contingent liabilities

In the normal course of its development activity, the Group is required to guarantee performance bonds provided by banks in respect of certain obligations of Group companies. As at 31 March 2019, such guarantees amounted to £5,607,000 (28 February 2018: £5,543,000).

The Group has provided guarantees for rent liabilities in respect of properties previously occupied by Group companies. In the event that the current tenants ceased to pay rent, the Group would be liable to cover any shortfall until the building could be re-let. The Group has made provision against crystallised liabilities in this regard. In respect of potential liabilities where no provision has been made, the annual rent-roll of the buildings benefiting from such guarantees is £7,000 (28 February 2018: £7,000) with an average unexpired lease period of 67 years (28 February 2018: 68 years).

The Group has guaranteed its share of interest up to a maximum of £575,000 in respect of the £26,000,000 loan in Notting Hill (Guernsey Holdco) Limited.

### 24 Pension scheme

The Company operates a defined contribution scheme for Directors and employees. Monthly premiums are invested in an independent insured fund.

The amounts charged to the Income Statement during the period are set out in note 4.

### 25 Related parties

During the period, the Group entered into transactions, in the ordinary course of business, with related parties.

Transactions entered into and balances outstanding at 31 March 2019 and 28 February 2018 with related parties are set out below. Only Directors are considered to be key management personnel.

There were no further transactions with Directors other than remuneration set out in the Remuneration Report on pages 131 to 148.

JOINT VENTURES	Finance income from related parties £'000	Amounts owed by related parties (before provision) £'000
31 March 2019	2,547	74,718
28 February 2018	2,089	61,989
<u>ASSOCIATES</u>		
31 March 2019	_	17,252
28 February 2018	_	19,878

The Group's share of results from associates and joint ventures is set out in note 13.

# 26 Projects in partnership

The following is a summary of the Group's projects in partnership and the balance sheet classification of its financial interests:

			31 March 2019	28 February 2018
Project/partner	Project activity	Accounting classification	£′000	£′000
Cannock Designer Outlet LP	Property development	Investment in associates	5,763	_
Cathedral (Movement, Greenwich) LLP	Property development	Financial assets	100	100
Northpoint Developments Limited	Property development	Financial assets	14,211	16,837
Curzon Park Limited	Property development	Investment in joint ventures	5,336	260
Curzon Park Limited	Property development	Financial assets	8,423	10,505
Henry Davidson Developments Limited	Property development	Financial assets	344	344
LaSalle Land LP	Strategic land investment	Financial assets	1,271	1,285
PropTech investments	Strategic investment	Financial assets	578	_
Quinn Estates Brokehill Limited	Property development	Financial assets	3,770	3,578
Quinn Estates Newtown Works Limited	Property development	Financial assets	2,923	_
Circus Street Developments Limited	Property development	Investment in joint ventures	3,642	5,106
Development Equity Partners Limited	Property development	Investment in joint ventures	268	269
DSP Piano Investments BV	Investment property	Investment in joint ventures	_	14,276
DSP Tirol Limited	Investment property	Investment in joint ventures	3,472	4,212
DS Renewables LLP	Property development	Investment in joint ventures	17,085	11,537
Harwell Oxford Developments Limited	Property development	Investment in joint ventures	30,322	24,356
Kensington & Edinburgh Estates (South	ъ		044	744
Woodham Ferrers) Limited	Property development	Investment in joint ventures	211	311
Luxembourg Investment Company 112 Sarl	Property development	Investment in joint ventures	15,481	15,330
Manchester Arena Complex LP	Investment property	Investment in joint ventures	_	156
Mayfield Development (General Partner) Limited	Property development	Investment in joint ventures	13,193	6,269
Notting Hill (Guernsey Holdco) Limited	Property development	Investment in joint ventures	8,729	8,321
Opportunities for Sittingbourne Limited	Property development	Investment in joint ventures	124	128
OSB (Holdco 1) Limited	Property development	Investment in joint ventures	_	_
Plus X Holdings Limited	Strategic investment	Investment in joint ventures	1.771	_
Triangle London Developments LLP	Property development	Investment in joint ventures	191	306
UAI (G) Limited	Property development	Investment in joint ventures	666	504
UAIH Yorkshire Limited	Property development	Investment in joint ventures	697	124
UAIP (Drum) BV	Property development	Investment in joint ventures	2,682	1,263
Winnebago Holdings Sarl	Investment property	Investment in joint ventures	_	78
			141,253	125,455

The aggregate amounts included within each relevant balance sheet account are as follows:

	31 March 2019	28 February 2018
	£′000	£′000
Investment in associates	5,763	_
Investment in joint ventures	103,870	92,806
Financial assets - current	22,634	16,837
Financial assets – non-current	8,986	15,812
	141,253	125,455

# 27 Post balance sheet events

As at 31 March 2019, the Group had exchanged contracts on the sale of a number of assets held directly and in joint venture. These sales have since successfully completed.

# **COMPANY BALANCE SHEET**

# **AS AT 31 MARCH 2019**

		31	March 2019	28 F	ebruary 2018
	Notes	£′000	£′000	£′000	£′000
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	31	4,448		4,087	
Debtors – loans and receivables	34	922		344	
Derivative financial instruments	35(d)	_		10	
Deferred income tax asset	36	707		678	
Investments	32	135,601		104,257	
			141,678		109,376
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors – loans and receivables	34	14,211		16,837	
Debtors	33	431,950		525,334	
Cash at bank and in hand		30,314		37,935	
			476,475		580,106
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	35(a)	(238,682)		(310,331)	
Net current assets			237,793		269,775
Total assets less current liabilities			379,471		379,151
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year:					
Bank loans	35(b)	(104,543)		(106,158)	
Deferred income tax liabilities	36	(107)		(83)	
Provisions for liabilities	35(c)	(136)		(172)	
	` ` `		(104,786)	, , ,	(106,413)
Net assets			274,685		272,738
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	37	62,716		62,671	
Share premium account	38	104,590		104,475	
Other reserves	38	7,606		9,980	
Profit and loss account	38	99,773		95,612	
Total shareholders' funds			274,685		272,738

The profit after tax for the period was £26,486,000 (28 February 2018: £8,981,000 loss).

The notes on pages 216 to 225 are an integral part of these financial statements.

Approved by the Board of Directors on 21 May 2019 and signed on its behalf by:

### **M S Weiner**

Director

# **COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE 13-MONTH PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2019**

	Notes	Called up share capital £'000	Share premium account £'000	Other reserves £'000	Profit and loss account £′000	Total £′000
At 1 March 2017		62,613	104,325	8,230	115,478	290,646
Loss and total comprehensive expense for the year ended 28 February 2018		_	_	_	(8,981)	(8,981)
Issue of Ordinary shares	38	58	150	_	_	208
Share-based payments	38	_	_	1,750	_	1,750
Final dividend 2017		_	_	_	(4,379)	(4,379)
Supplemental dividend 2017		_	_	_	(3,503)	(3,503)
Interim dividend 2018		_	_	_	(3,003)	(3,003)
Total contributions by and distributions to owners						
of the Company		58	150	1,750	(10,885)	(8,927)
Balance at 28 February 2018		62,671	104,475	9,980	95,612	272,738
Profit and total comprehensive income for the 13-month period ended 31 March 2019		_	_	_	26,486	26,486
Issue of Ordinary shares	38	45	115	_	_	160
Share-based payments (net movement)	38	_	_	(1,081)	109	(972)
Treasury shares (net movement)	38	_	_	(1,293)	_	(1,293)
Final dividend 2018		_	_	_	(4,390)	(4,390)
Supplemental dividend 2018		_	_	_	(15,033)	(15,033)
Interim dividend 2019		_	_	_	(3,011)	(3,011)
Total contributions by and distributions to owners of the Company		45	115	(2,374)	(22,325)	(24,539)
Balance at 31 March 2019		62,716	104,590	7,606	99,773	274,685

# **NOTES TO THE COMPANY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

# 28 Accounting policies

a) General information The Company is a public limited company which is listed on the London Stock Exchange and is incorporated and domiciled in the UK. U and I Group PLC is the holding company for the U and I Group of companies.

(i) Basis of preparation

The Company's financial statements have been prepared in compliance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland' (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006. Accounting policies adopted are consistent with the previous year, unless otherwise stated, and are set out below.

The Company has not presented its own profit and loss account, as permitted by Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006.

The Company has also taken advantage of the following exemptions:

- i. from presenting a reconciliation of the number of shares outstanding at the beginning and end of the year
- ii. from preparing a statement of cash flows on the basis that it is a qualifying entity and the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement, included in these financial statements. includes the Company's cash flows

- iii. from the financial instrument disclosures required under FRS 102 as the information is provided in the . Consolidated financial statements
- iv. from disclosing the share-based payment arrangements required under FRS 102 concerning its own equity instruments. The Company financial statements are presented within the Consolidated financial statements and the relevant disclosures are included therein and
- v. from disclosing key management personnel compensation as required by FRS 102.

The financial statements were approved by the Directors for issue on 21 May 2019.

### (ii) Critical accounting judgements and estimates

When preparing the Company financial statements, management are required to make judgements, assumptions and estimates concerning the future. These judgements and assumptions are made at the time the financial statements are prepared and adopted based on the best information available. Actual outcomes may be different from initial estimates and are reflected in the financial statements as soon as they become apparent. Management believe that the underlying assumptions are appropriate. Areas requiring judgements or estimates are discussed below.

### Judgements other than estimates 1.1 Derivative financial

instruments

The Company is party to a number of interest rate swap and foreign currency agreements which are accounted for as derivatives and measured at fair value. The estimation of this figure is based upon market assumptions about future movements in interest and exchange rates. The estimated fair values and the movements in the period are set out in note 17(c) to the Consolidated financial statements.

### 1.2 Group Long-Term Incentive Plan (LTIP)

During the period, the Company made awards to staff under the Group's LTIP. The awards vest according to a number of performance criteria, the primary measure being net asset value growth over a three-year period. In calculating the provision to accrue, management are required to estimate net asset growth over the vesting period. The estimate is reassessed at each reporting date.

### b) Investments

The Company's investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures are accounted for in the financial statements at cost less any provision for impairment.

Loans and receivables are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method

c) Operating leases Rental payments under operating leases are charged on a straight-line basis to the profit and loss account over the lease term even if the payments are not made on such a basis.

d) Tangible assets

Tangible assets are held at cost less accumulated depreciation and any provision for impairment. Cost includes the original purchase price of the asset and the costs attributable to bringing the asset to its working condition for its intended use. Depreciation is provided so as to write off the cost less estimated residual value of such assets over their expected useful lives on a straight-line basis. The principal annual rates used for this purpose are as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and computer equipment - 10% to 33%

Motor vehicles - 20%

e) Provisions for liabilities A provision is recognised

when the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation and the amount can be reliably estimated.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditure expected to be required to settle the obligation. The accretion in the discount is recognised as an interest expense.

### f) Taxation

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the period, using tax rates applicable at the balance sheet date, together with any adjustment in respect of previous periods.

Deferred tax is the tax expected to be payable or recoverable on differences between the carrying amount of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax basis used in the computation of taxable profit, and is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences or unutilised tax losses can be utilised.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the year when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date. Income tax relating to items recognised directly in equity is recognised in equity and not in the profit and loss account. Deferred tax is measured on a nondiscounted basis.

g) Pension schemes

The Company operates a defined contribution scheme on behalf of the U and I Group. The charge to the profit and loss in the period represents the actual amount payable to the scheme in the period. Differences between contributions payable in the period and contributions paid are shown as either accruals or prepayments in the Balance Sheet.

h) Foreign currencies Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated into UK Sterling at the rates ruling at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance

sheet date are translated at the rates ruling at that date. Exchange movements are dealt with in the profit and loss account.

i) Financial instruments Derivatives, including interest rate swaps and foreign exchange contracts, are not basic financial instruments.

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value. Changes in the fair value of derivatives are recognised in profit or loss in financial costs or income as appropriate.

The Company does not currently apply hedge accounting for interest rate and foreign exchange derivatives.

The Company operates a number of share-based compensation plans, both equity and cash settled,

i) Share-based payments

under which the entity receives services from employees as consideration for cash or equity-settled instruments of the Company.

The fair value of the employee services received in exchange for the grant of the option is recognised as an expense. The total amount to be expensed is determined by reference to the fair value of the options granted.

# Long-Term Incentive Plan (LTIĔ)

The LTIP commenced on 1 March 2015.

Under the scheme. Ordinary shares are conditionally awarded based on the performance of the Group over a four-vear period for Executive Directors and a three-vear period for staff. The performance of the Group is referenced to the net asset value per share growth over the vesting period and is based on non-market conditions. The Directors assess the likelihood of the award vesting and the maximum amount that will vest based on forward-looking forecast of the Group.

The Company has used a Black-Scholes option pricing model to determine the fair value of share options granted. The cost of cashsettled transactions with employees and Directors is measured by reference to the fair value at the date at which they are granted and is recognised as an expense over the vesting period, which ends on the date on which the relevant employees become fully entitled to the award.

No expense is recognised for awards that do not ultimately vest, except for awards where vesting is conditional upon a market condition, which are treated as vesting irrespective of whether or not the market condition is satisfied, provided that all other performance conditions are satisfied.

At each balance sheet date before vesting, the cumulative expense is calculated, representing the extent to which the vesting period has expired and management's best estimate of the achievement or otherwise of non-market conditions and of the number of cash-settled share-based instruments that will ultimately vest or, in the case of an instrument subject to a market condition. be treated as vesting as described above. The movement in cumulative expense since the previous balance sheet date is recognised in the income statement, with a corresponding entry in accruals.

### 29 Operating profit

Details relating to staff costs and staff numbers can be found in note 4 to the Consolidated financial statements. Further information relating to Directors' remuneration is shown in the Remuneration Report on pages 131 to 148.

Auditors' remuneration in respect of the audit for the Company was £15,000 (28 February 2018: £15,000).

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30 Operating lease arrangements	30 O	perating	lease	arrangements
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	31 March 2019 £′000	28 February 2018 £'000
The Company as lessee: Minimum lease payments under operating leases recognised for the period/year	2,450	2,571
Annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:		
	31 March 2019 £′000	28 February 2018 £'000
Operating leases which expire: Within one year In the second to fifth years inclusive	2,250 10,091	2,250 9,961
After five years	1,684 14,025	4,250 16,461

Operating lease payments represent rentals payable by the Company for its office property. The lease payments were negotiated for an average term of 11.4 years (28 February 2018: 11.4 years).

# 31 Tangible assets

	Fixtures, fittings and computer equipment £'000	Motor vehicles £'000	Total £′000
COST			
At 1 March 2018	6,350	119	6,469
Additions	1,166	35	1,201
Disposals	(804)	(84)	(888)
At 31 March 2019	6,712	70	6,782
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION			
At 1 March 2018	2,278	104	2,382
Charge for the period	780	9	789
Disposals	(765)	(72)	(837)
At 31 March 2019	2,293	41	2,334
Net book amount 31 March 2019	4,419	29	4,448
Net book amount 28 February 2018	4,072	15	4,087

## 32 Investments

OZ IIIVESKIIICIKS	Shares in subsidiary undertakings £'000	Interest in associated undertakings £'000	Interest in joint ventures £'000	Total £′000
COST				
At 1 March 2018	162,866	997	454	164,317
Additions	8,702	_	1,800	10,502
Capital reduction	(1,596)	_	_	(1,596)
Liquidation of subsidiary	(2,136)	_	_	(2,136)
At 31 March 2019	167,836	997	2,254	171,087
AMOUNTS PROVIDED				
At 1 March 2018	(59,063)	(997)	_	(60,060)
Reversal of previous provisions	23,144	_	_	23,144
Liquidation of subsidiary	1,430	_	_	1,430
At 31 March 2019	(34,489)	(997)	_	(35,486)
Net book amount 31 March 2019	133,347	_	2,254	135,601
Net book amount 28 February 2018	103,803		454	104,257

The full list of subsidiaries of the Company is set out in note 41.

### 33 Debtors

Amounts falling due within one year

	31 March 2019 £′000	28 February 2018 £'000
Trade debtors	111	83
Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings	409,356	516,904
Other debtors	16,647	4,983
Current income tax asset	885	598
Other taxation recoverable	1,640	1,201
Prepayments and accrued income	3,311	1,565
	431,950	525,334

Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings are unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand.

# 34 Debtors – loans and receivables

Amounts falling due after more than one year		
,	31 March	28 February
	2019	2018
	£′000	£′000
FIXED ASSETS		
Development loans	344	344
PropTech investment	578	_
	922	344
Amounts falling due within one year		
	31 March	28 February
	2019	2018
	£′000	£′000
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Loans and receivables	5,249	7,949
Loans notes receivable	8,962	8,888
	14,211	16,837

Funding of £344,000 (28 February 2018: £344,000) has been provided to Henry Davidson Developments Limited in respect of one development project. Interest of 12.5% is charged in respect of this funding.

Loans and receivables include a number of working capital and project-specific loans of £5,249,000 (28 February 2018: £7,949,000) to Northpoint Developments Limited. The loans attract fixed coupon rates of between 5.0% and 13.0%. Included in the above amount are two interest-free loans of £408,000 (28 February 2018: £408,000). As at 31 March 2019, the Company has made a provision of £2,206,000 (28 February 2018: £1,609,000) against interest receivable in respect of these loans.

### 35 Creditors

### a) Amounts falling due within one year

	31 March	28 February
	2019	2018
	£'000	£′000
Bank loans and overdrafts	17	17
Bank loans	595	545
Trade creditors	25	354
Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings	229,846	299,465
Amounts owed to associated undertakings	1,932	1,932
Other creditors	225	2,064
Accruals and deferred income	6,042	5,954
	238,682	310,331

Bank loans are secured against investment assets held in other Group companies.

Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings are unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand.

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### 35 Creditors continued

### b) Amounts falling due after more than one year

·	31 March	28 February
	2019	2018
	£′000	£′000
Bank loans	104,543	106,158

Information regarding loan balances is shown below:

### €47,000,000 variable EURIBOR loan notes

These unsecured, Euro-denominated loan notes are repayable on 24 April 2021.

£66,666,000 fixed rate loan facility £16,431,000 loan capital amortises over the term of the loan. The remaining £50,235,000 is repayable in one instalment on 5 December 2032. The current balance outstanding on the facility is £65,831,000.

### £16,500 loan notes

These unsecured loan notes were repayable in 1999. The balance of £16,500 represents the residual amount of unredeemed loan notes.

Loans are shown net of transaction costs in the Balance Sheet.

# c) Amounts falling due after more than one year

	31 March	28 February
	2019	2018
	£'000	£′000
Provisions for liabilities	136	172

The provision of £136,000 (28 February 2018: £172,000) relates to an onerous lease obligation entered into in 2009.

### d) Derivative financial instruments

a, perivative initiation monaments	31 March 2019 £′000	28 February 2018 £'000
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Derivative financial instruments at fair value through profit and loss:		
Interest rate swaps	_	10
Foreign exchange contracts	_	_
Derivative financial assets	_	10

### 36 Deferred income tax

The following are the deferred income tax assets and liabilities recognised by the Company during the current financial period. Deferred income tax is calculated on the temporary differences under the liability method using an income tax rate of 17.0%.

	Accelerated capital allowances £'000	Provisions £'000	Tax losses £'000	Net fair value adjustments £'000	Total £′000
Deferred income tax (liabilities)/assets recognised:					
At 1 March 2018	(81)	389	289	(2)	595
Credited to the income statement	3	_	_	2	5
At 31 March 2019	(78)	389	289	_	600
				31 March	28 February
				2019 £'000	2018 £′000
Deferred income tax assets				707	678
Deferred income tax liabilities				(107)	(83)
Net deferred income tax assets				600	595

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are only offset where there is a legally enforceable right of offset and there is an intention to settle the balances net. Movements in deferred income tax assets and liabilities are shown above.

### 37 Called up share capital

	31 March	28 February
	2019	2018
	£'000	£′000
Issued, called up and fully paid		
125,431,713 Ordinary shares of 50 pence (28 February 2018: 125,342,726 Ordinary shares of 50 pence)	62,716	62,671

Number of shares
Shares in issue at the date of this report 125,431,713

The Company has one class of Ordinary shares which carry no right to fixed income.

During the period, the Company utilised 74,143 treasury shares to satisfy obligations under the Company's 2015 LTIP award. In addition, the Company acquired 646,134 of its own shares through purchases on the London Stock Exchange for an average price of £2.07 per share. The total amount paid to acquire the shares was £1,350,000 and has been deducted from shareholder equity. The shares are held as 'treasury shares'. The Company has purchased the shares in order to satisfy its obligations under the Group's Long-term Incentive Plan. As at 31 March 2019, the Group holds 690,783 treasury shares (28 February 2018: 118,792).

The Company has the right to re-issue these shares at a later date. All shares are fully paid.

### a) Share option schemes

As at 31 March 2019, and at the date of this report, the options outstanding under the Company's share option schemes were exercisable as set out below (price stated in pence per share). The share options are more fully described in the Remuneration Report on pages 131 to 148.

SAYE option plan 2005:

	31.03.19	22.05.19		
Date of grant	Number	Number	Exercise dates	Price
19 December 2017	293,589	293,589	1 February 2021 to 31 July 2021	152.0

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### 38 Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

	Called up share capital £'000	Share premium account £'000	Share-based payments reserve £'000	Capital redemption reserve £'000	Merger reserve £,000	Treasury shares £'000
At 1 March 2018	62,671	104,475	3,789	1,631	4,725	(165)
Employee share option scheme	45	115	_	_	_	_
Share-based payments – SAYE exercised	_	_	(109)	_	_	-
Share-based payments – LTIP exercised	_	_	(962)	_	_	_
Share-based payments	_	_	(10)	_	_	_
Treasury shares utilised	_	_	_	_	_	57
Treasury shares purchased	_	_	_	_	_	(1,350)
At 31 March 2019	62,716	104,590	2,708	1,631	4,725	(1,458)

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT	
At 1 March 2017	115,478
Loss for the financial year	(8,981)
Final dividend 2017	(4,379)
Supplemental dividend 2017	(3,503)
Interim dividend 2018	(3,003)
At 28 February 2018	95,612
Profit for the financial period	26,486
Share-based payments – SAYE exercised	109
Final dividend 2018	(4,390)
Supplemental dividend 2018	(15,033)
Interim dividend 2019	(3,011)
At 31 March 2019	99,773

The profit after tax of the Company was £26,486,000 (28 February 2018: £8,981,000 loss).

### 39 Contingent liabilities

The contingent liabilities of the Group are set out in note 23. The Company has provided guarantees in respect of loans and overdrafts of its subsidiary entities totalling £75,481,000 (28 February 2018: £64,638,000). In addition, the Company has guaranteed the performance of subsidiary entities under a range of operating obligations, none of which is expected to give rise to a liability in the Company.

# 40 Related parties

Related party transactions are the same for the Company as for the Group. Details can be found in note 25 to the Consolidated financial statements.

### 41 Details of related undertakings of U and I Group PLC

In accordance with Section 409 of the Companies Act 2006, a full list of subsidiaries, partnerships, associates, joint ventures and joint arrangements, the country of incorporation, the registered address and the effective percentage of equity owned, as at 31 March 2019 is disclosed below. Unless otherwise stated, the Group's shareholding represents ordinary shares held indirectly by U and I Group PLC and the registered office is 7A Howick Place, London SW1P 1DZ.

All interests are in Ordinary share capital and have been consolidated.

Entities where the Group holds 100% of the equity:

### Wholly-owned subsidiaries

399 Edgware Road Management Company Limited

48 Goldhawk Road Limited

Airport House Business Centre Limited

Barrack Close Limited

Barwood Land and Estates Limited
Barwood Land Investments Limited
Becket House Asset Management Limited
Beyond Green Developments (Broadland) Limited
Birmingham International Park (2000) Limited
Birmingham International Park Limited

Bruform Limited

Bryn Blaen Wind Farm Limited Burghfield Bolt Limited

Cambourne Business Park Limited

Cambourne Business Park Management Limited

Cathedral (Brighton) Limited
Cathedral (Bromley 2) Limited
Cathedral (Bromley Esco) Limited
Cathedral (Bromley) Limited
Cathedral (Goswell) Limited

Cathedral (Greenwich Beach) Limited

Cathedral (Moss) Limited

Cathedral (Preston Barracks) Limited
Cathedral (Sittingbourne) Limited
Cathedral Special Projects (H) Limited
Central Research Laboratory (Hayes) Ltd
D S Property Developments Limited

Development Securities (Abbey Wood) Limited

Development Securities (Armagh) Limited

Development Securities (Blackpool Developments) Limited

Development Securities (Cannock) Limited
Development Securities (Curzon Park) Limited
Development Securities (Furlong) Limited
Development Securities (Greenwich Beach) Limited
Development Securities (Greenwich) Limited
Development Securities (Hale Barns) Limited
Development Securities (Hammersmith) Limited
Development Securities (HDD) Limited

Development Securities (HDD) Limited Development Securities (Ilford) Limited

Development Securities (Investment Ventures) Limited

Development Securities (Investments) PLC
Development Securities (Launceston) Limited
Development Securities (Lichfield) Limited
Development Securities (Maidstone) Limited
Development Securities (Moreton Woods) Limited

Development Securities (Nailsea) Limited
Development Securities (No.1) Limited
Development Securities (No.9) Limited
Development Securities (No.19) Limited
Development Securities (No. 22) Limited
Development Securities (No.26) Limited
Development Securities (No.28) Limited

Development Securities (No.28) Limited
Development Securities (No.63) Limited
Development Securities (No.69) Limited
Development Securities (Romford) Limited
Development Securities (Sevenoaks) Limited

Development Securities (Slough) Limited Development Securities (Woking) Limited Development Securities Estates PLC Development Securities Limited DS Investment Properties 2 LLP DS Investment Properties LLP

ECC Investments PLC Elystan Developments Limited EPD Buckshaw Village Limited

Executive Communication Centres (Birmingham) Limited Executive Communication Centres (Cardiff) Limited Executive Communication Centres (Milton Keynes) Limited

**Executive Communication Centres Limited** 

Extreme Cool Limited

DS Renewables LLP

Furlong Shopping Centre Limited

Future High Streets (North Finchley) Limited

Future High Streets Limited Greenwitch Limited

Griffe Grange Wind Farm Limited

Group U+I Limited HDD Ashford Limited

**HDD Burghfield Common Limited** 

HDD Didcot Limited
HDD Lawley Village Limited
HDD Lichfield Limited
HDD Llanelli Limited

HDD Newcastle Under Lyme Limited

HDD Newton Leys Limited HDD Oxley Units Limited HDD RAF Watton Limited HDD Stanground Limited Hendy Wind Farm Limited I AM PRS Limited

Kingsland Shopping Centre Limited

Landpack Limited Luneside East Limited

Njord Wind Developments Limited

Plus X (Hayes) Limited

Public Private Partnership (H) Limited R.D.B.P. Management Limited RHD (Dartmouth) Limited Rhoscrowther Wind Farm Limited Rivella Properties Bicester Limited Romford Management Company Limited

The Deptford Project 2 Limited The Deptford Project Limited The Telegraph Works Limited Triangle Developments Limited Triangle London Limited U and I (8AE) Limited

U and I (Ashford) Limited U and I (Bromley Commercial) Limited

U and I (Pincents Lane) Limited
U and I (Projects) Limited
U and I Finance PLC

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# 41 Details of related undertakings of U and I Group PLC continued

U and I PPP Limited U and I PPP Limited U and I Property Limited Wallis Court Buckshaw Limited Wassand Wind Farm Limited Waterfront Wakefield (Hebble Wharf) Limited  Entities where the Group holds 100% of the equity but the registered office is held elsewhere are detailed below:  Registered office Company  Gth Floor, 2 Grand Canal Square, Dublin 2, Ireland Development Securities Properties (Dublin) Limited Percy Place DS (Ireland) Limited Pos Jersey (Manchester 1) Limited DS Jersey (Capital Partners) Ltd DS Jersey (Capital Partners) Ltd DS Jersey (Rota) Limited DS Jersey (Rota) Limited DS Jersey (Nota) Limited DS	Wholly-owned subsidiaries	
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U and I Property Limited  Entities where the Group holds 100% of the equity but the registered office is held elsewhere are detailed below:  Registered office  6th Floor, 2 Grand Canal Square, Dublin 2, Ireland  Development Securities Properties (Dublin) Limited Percy Place DS (Ireland) Limited  Heart of Slough Management Company Limited  Heart of Slough Management Limited  DS Jersey (Manchester 1) Limited  DS Jersey (Manchester 1) Limited  DS Jersey (Manchester 1) Limited  DS Jersey (Notting Hill) Limited  DS Jersey (Renewables) Limited  DS Jersey (Renewables) Limited  DS Jersey (No 1) Limited  DS Jersey (No 2) Limited  DS Jersey (No 3) Limited  DS Jersey (No 5) Limited  DS Jersey (No 7) Limited  DS Jersey (No 1) Limited  DS Jersey (No	0 0.10 1.11 2.111100	
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Registered office 6th Floor, 2 Grand Canal Square, Dublin 2, Ireland Development Securities Properties (Dublin) Limited Percy Place DS (Ireland) Limited Heart of Slough Management Company Limited Heart of Slough Management Limited  2 Maritime House, The Hart, Farnham, Surrey, GU9 7HW, United Kingdom  Fifth Floor, 37 Esplanade, St Helier, JE1 2TR, Jersey  DS Jersey (Manchester 1) Limited DS Jersey (Notting Hill) Limited DS Jersey (Capital Partners) Ltd DS Jersey (Renewables) Limited DS Jersey (Ro 1) Limited DS Jersey (No 1) Limited DS Jersey (No 2) Limited DS Jersey (No 4) Limited DS Jersey (No 5) Limited DS Jersey (No 7) Limited DS Jersey (No 1) Limited DS Jersey	U and I Property Limited	waterfront wakefield (Hebble wharf) Limited
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Percy Place DS (Ireland) Limited Heart of Slough Management Company Limited  2 Maritime House, The Hart, Farnham, Surrey, GU9 7HW, United Kingdom  Fifth Floor, 37 Esplanade, St Helier, JE1 2TR, Jersey  DS Jersey (Manchester 1) Limited DS Jersey (Inting Hill) Limited DS Jersey (Notting Hill) Limited DS Jersey (Renewables) Limited DS Jersey (Renewables) Limited DS Jersey (Renewables) Limited DS Jersey (No 1) Limited DS Jersey (No 2) Limited DS Jersey (No 3) Limited DS Jersey (No 5) Limited DS Jersey (No 5) Limited DS Jersey (No 7) Limited DS Jersey (No 10) Limited DS Jersey (No 10) Limited DS Jersey (No 10) Limited DS Jersey Retail Limited DS Jersey Retail Limited DS Jersey Retail Limited DS Noble (Jersey) Limited DS Noble (Jersey) Limited DS Noble (Jersey) Limited DS Holding Company  Fisher Partners, Acre House, 11-15 William Road, London, NW1 3ER, United Kingdom	Registered office	Company
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United Kingdom  Fifth Floor, 37 Esplanade, St Helier, JE1 2TR, Jersey  DS Jersey (Manchester 1) Limited DS Jersey Corporate Services Limited DS Jersey (Notting Hill) Limited Drake Bideford Limited DS Jersey (Renewables) Limited DS Jersey (Renewables) Limited Nailsea Unit Trust DS Cardiff Unit Trust DS Jersey (No 1) Limited DS Jersey (No 2) Limited DS Jersey (No 3) Limited DS Jersey (No 3) Limited DS Jersey (No 4) Limited DS Jersey (No 4) Limited DS Jersey (No 10) Limited DS Jersey (No 10) Limited DS Jersey (No 10) Limited DS Jersey Retail Limited DS Jersey Retail Limited DS Noble (Jersey) Limited DS TRD Holding Company  Fisher Partners, Acre House, 11-15 William Road, London, NW1 3ER, United Kingdom		Heart of Slough Management Company Limited
DS Jersey (Corporate Services Limited DS Jersey (Notting Hill) Limited Drake Bideford Limited DS Jersey (Capital Partners) Ltd DS Jersey (Renewables) Limited Nailsea Unit Trust DS Cardiff Unit Trust DS Jersey (No 1) Limited DS Jersey (No 2) Limited DS Jersey (No 3) Limited DS Jersey (No 3) Limited DS Jersey (No 4) Limited DS Jersey (No 5) Limited DS Jersey (No 7) Limited DS Jersey (No 7) Limited DS Jersey (No 10) Limited DS Jersey (No 10) Limited DS Jersey (Ro 10) Limited DS Jersey Retail Limited DS Jersey Retail Limited DS Noble (Jersey) Limited DS Noble (Jersey) Limited DS TRD Holding Company  Fisher Partners, Acre House, 11-15 William Road, London, NW1 3ER, United Kingdom		Brook House (Fleet) Management Limited
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Prins Bernhardplein 200, 1097JB, Amsterdam, Netherlands Development Securities Netherlands B.V.		Development Securities (No.18) Limited
	Prins Bernhardplein 200, 1097JB, Amsterdam, Netherlands	Development Securities Netherlands B.V.

Other subsidiaries, joint arrangements and other significant holdings, incorporated in the United Kingdom, where the registered office is 7A Howick Place, London, SW1P 1DZ:

Registered office	% owned
Cathedral (Movement, Greenwich) LLP	50
Circus Street Developments Limited	50
CTP (Wakefield) Limited	42
Curzon Park Limited	50
Deadhare Limited	94.34
DSP Tirol Limited	50
Harwell Oxford Developments (GP) Limited	50
Harwell Oxford Developments Limited	50
Harwell Oxford Management Limited	50
HSIC GP1 Limited	50
HSIC GP2 Limited	50
Inhoco 1079 Limited	42
Inhoco 3300 Limited	42
Kensington & Edinburgh Estates (South Woodham Ferrers) Limited	50
Kensington (NC) Management Company Limited	42
Manchester Arena Complex LP	30
Mayfield Development (General Partner) Limited	50
Mayfield Development Partnership LP	50
MEN Arena GP Limited	51
Minevote Public Limited Company	50

Registered office	% owned
Northpoint (No.4) Limited	42
Northpoint Ch Limited	42
Northpoint Developments (No 1) Ltd	42
Northpoint Developments (No 2) Ltd	42
Northpoint Developments (No 50) Ltd	42
Northpoint Developments (No 51) Ltd	42
Northpoint Developments (No 52) Ltd	42
Northpoint Developments (No 53) Ltd	42
Northpoint Developments Ltd	42
Northpoint Investments Ltd	42
Northpoint Kc Limited	42
Northpoint SK Limited	42
Opportunities for Sittingbourne Limited	50
Orion Shepherds Bush (Market) Limited	50
Orion Shepherds Bush (No.2) Limited	50
Orion Shepherds Bush (No.3) Limited	50
Orion Shepherds Bush (Number 42 Goldhawk Road) Limited	50
Orion Shepherds Bush Limited	50
OSB (Holdco 1) Limited	50
OSB (Holdco 2) Limited	50
Plus X Holdings Limited	50
Purplexed LLP	94.34
Spectre (Hayes) Limited	50
Spirit of Sittingbourne LLP	65
St Paul's Place Management Company Limited	42
Tarmac Clayform Limited	50
The Harwell Quad One Limited	50
The Harwell Science and Innovation Campus General Partner Limited	25
The Harwell Science and Innovation Campus Limited Partnership	25
The Harwell Science and Innovation Campus Nominee Limited	25
The Harwell Science and Innovation Campus Nominee No.2 Limited	25
TLD (Landmark Court) Limited	99
Tower Wharf Estate Management Limited	42
Triangle London Developments LLP	50
UAIH Yorkshire	50
Waterfront Wakefield (Navigation Place) Limited	42
Waterfront Wakefield Management Limited	42

Other subsidiaries, joint arrangements and other significant holdings, incorporated in the United Kingdom, where the registered office is elsewhere:

Registered office	Company	% owned
Nelson House, Central Boulevard, Blythe Valley Park, Solihull,	The Harwell Science and Innovation Campus	
West Midlands, B90 8BG, England	Limited Partnership	25
Postbus 990, 1000AZ, Amsterdam, Netherlands	DSP Investments Piano B.V.	34
Bruce Kenrick House, 2 Killick Street, London, N1 9FL	TLD Kidbrooke LLP	1

# FINANCIAL CALENDAR AND ADVISORS

# **Annual General Meeting**

4 September 2019

### **Payment of Ordinary** dividend

6 September 2019

Announcement of Interim Results to 30 September 2019 November 2019

# **Company Secretary**

C Barton ACIS

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1528784

### Incorporation

U and I Group PLC is incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales

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PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

### **Principal bankers**

Aviva Commercial Finance Limited Barclays Bank PLC Santander Group The Royal Bank of Scotland plc

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### Financial advisors

Rothschild

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