# **Global Gaming Group**

Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended 31 May 2022

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### Group at a Glance

Webis Holdings plc (the "Company") and its subsidiary companies (together the "Group") operates two primary segments: -

WatchandWager.com Ltd and WatchandWager.com LLC – Advanced Deposit Wagering ("ADW")

WatchandWager.com LLC – Cal Expo Harness Racetrack

**WatchandWager.com Ltd** is regulated in the Isle of Man and operates a totalisator wagering hub through its United States Tote supplier, which enables it to conduct its ADW business by passing wagers directly into global racetrack betting pools in real time.

WatchandWager.com LLC has its operational base in Lexington, Kentucky, with its head office in Larkspur, California, and provides pari-mutuel wagering, or poolbetting, services through a number of distribution channels to a global client base. The company holds United States parimutuel licences for its ADW business in the USA, including a multi-jurisdictional licence issued by the States of North Dakota, and individual licences for the States of California, Maryland, Colorado, Minnesota, New York, Washington, West Virginia and Kentucky. The business provides wagering opportunities predominantly on horse and greyhound racing and has contracted with a significant number of prestigious racetrack partners within the United States, Hong Kong, France, Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland, and Australia amongst others. It provides wagering facilities to customers through its interactive website, watchandwager.com, as well as offering a business-tobusiness wagering product.

WatchandWager.com LLC also operates Cal Expo Harness Racetrack in Sacramento, California, under a licence issued by the California Horse Racing Board. This 'bricks and mortar' presence in the largest State economy in the USA continues to provide leverage for our related global parimutuel operations.

As part of the requirements for the Isle of Man licence, client funds for the Isle of Man licensed companies are held in fully protected segregated client accounts within an Isle of Man regulated bank.

### **Chairman's Statement**

### Introduction

The Board is satisfied with the progress of the business over the year reported. It has been difficult to make comparisons with prior years with the impact of Covid-19 lock downs impacting business in various ways for at least the last two years. The positive factors have been our continued growth in our B2C sector and our continued good performance at our racetrack, Cal Expo in Sacramento. Against that we have seen a decline in our B2B business, which we see as a mature business model.

On a macro level, we are pleased with a continued licensed presence across the USA and, of course, our existing business in California. Shareholders will have noted the "no" votes on sports betting in California. The bills were badly constructed on many levels, and as a result now leave us even better positioned in the State. Sports wagering will happen in California - the State finance deficit dictates so and with our long-term lease at Cal Expo, we are very much part of the process.

I am also pleased to report that the Board has agreed a clear business strategy for a minimum of the next two years. This is largely based upon generating significant growth for our B2C sector, which we consider an asset, in conjunction with our increasing licensed presence within the USA. We consider that focusing on these two areas of growth will maximise value for shareholders.

In summary, we know that we need to improve our day-today performance (as commented on below) and are confident that we can achieve that. Finally, I can report we continue to have the full support of our principal shareholder to drive the growth strategy forwards in the USA.

#### Year End Results Review

The Group amounts wagered for the year ended 31 May 2022 were US\$ 120.1 million (2021: US\$ 132.1 million). Gross Profit reported was US \$ 5.1 million (2021: US\$ 5.8 million).

Operating costs were up on last year at US\$ 5.6 million (2021 US\$ 5.3 million), primarily from increased race days at the Cal Expo racetrack, whilst we also managed the business effectively during the Covid-19 pandemic.

This resulted in a loss on the year of US\$ 0.374 million, a downturn on the 2021 profit of US\$ 0.824 million, albeit last year was an exceptional year.

Shareholder equity stands at US\$ 1.3 million (2021: US\$ 1.7 million). Total cash stands at US\$ 4.1 million (2021: US\$ 5.1 million), which includes ring-fenced funds held as protection against our player liability as required under USA and Isle of Man gambling legislation.

### Approach to Risk and Corporate Governance

As part of the adoption of the Quoted Companies Alliance Corporate Governance code in 2018, the Board completed an assessment of the risks inherent in the business and defined and adopted a statement of risk appetite, being the amount and type of risk, it is prepared to seek, accept or tolerate in pursuit of value. This being: -

"The Group's general risk appetite is a moderate, balanced one that allows it to maintain appropriate growth, profitability and scalability, whilst ensuring full regulatory compliance."

The Group's primary risk drivers include: -

Strategic Reputational Credit Operational Market Liquidity, Capital and Funding Regulatory and Compliance Conduct

Our risk appetite is classified under an "impact" matrix defined as Zero, Low, Medium and High. Appropriate steps are implemented to ensure the prudential control monitoring of risks to the Group and the Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee oversees this essential requirement. Further details of the Corporate Governance Statement will be found on pages 10 to 13 of this report and should be read in conjunction with my report.

The Board refined the Group's business plan which incorporates the risk and compliance framework.

#### Performance by Sector

#### WatchandWager

#### Business-to-Consumer www.watchandwager.com/mobile

We have been encouraged by the performance of the B2C business over the period reported. This continues the positive momentum that we enjoyed in the previous financial year. Comparisons are very difficult to make against prior years due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. As previously reported, this sector performed well last year during a scenario where live racing continued across the world but, in many circumstances, customers were not permitted to visit the tracks. This year, thankfully, saw a gradual relaxation of the policies around the pandemic, which was most welcome for the industry as a whole, but also made trading more competitive.

Given these points, we have analysed our key metrics versus pre-pandemic levels, and we have shown significant growth on the website/mobile. Most importantly, overall handle (amounts wagered) in the period reported from players on our interactive platforms has increased by 40% versus the FY ending in May 2019, and 66% versus the FY ending in May 2018. FY 2020/21 was to an extent a freak year, for the reasons above, and we saw a small drop off in handle against last year. This is not wholly surprising looking at the market overall, but it is vital we keep this positive momentum going.

### **Chairman's Statement continued**

### Business-to-Consumer continued

We consider our growing B2C business as one of our principal assets of the company. To that end, our executive team is currently conducting a detailed strategic review of this sector, with a view to further invest in software development, marketing and related resource to grow this area even faster. This is commented upon further in Subsequent Events.

### **Business-to-Business**

This sector covers the provision of pari-mutuel (pool) wagering to high-roller clients, many of whom specialise in algorithmic, or computer assisted trading, on a wide range of global racetracks.

Conversely, we consider this model to be a mature business, albeit one that is still important to the overall Group. Over the period reported, we saw a decline in handle and in addition some issues with our key customers' ability to return a positive investment on their wagers. This is, of course, fundamental to the pari-mutuel business model of churn that we operate. There is no easy solution to this issue. The fact is that the sector is overly competitive with our main host global racetracks continuing to request a greater margin from this type of betting. At the same time, the key high roller clients are also requesting preferential rates based upon their volumes. Obviously, this squeezes an operator such as ourselves.

### Cal Expo

We raced between October 2021 and May 2022 during the period with 45 nights of live racing. Overall, we were pleased with our performance and this sector continues to show a consistent level of profitability. The reason for this is we have achieved unique positioning on the West Coast with our product. We had good horse level numbers throughout the season, competitive betting action and good levels of exposure from the TV channels. This is a recipe for strong levels of handle throughout the season. In addition, we continue to benefit from the "dark monies", namely revenues accrued whilst we were not racing. As a reminder to shareholders, we have secured the lease at the property until 2030. We still consider Cal Expo to be a key asset as we grow our presence in California.

### Key risk factors

During the period we have updated our Risk Assessment procedures and will continue to do so. The Board conducts regular risk assessments on a micro and macro level.

### Licences, Regulatory and Compliance

I am pleased to report that during the period we renewed all our key licences, and in addition we fully expect all our licenses subsequent to the period to be approved before the calendar year end 2022. In addition, I can report that the Group did not have any regulatory breaches or complaints from our regulators and our content providers during the period, and indeed to date. There were also no AML issues reported to the regulatory authorities during the period. There were also no Health and Safety issues over the period. We consider compliance and social responsibility to be important to the brand and company.

### Subsequent Events (post period reported)

### Trading

I am pleased to report that we had a good first quarter of the new financial year, June-August was overall strong, where we continued to show good levels of growth in our B2C sector and also in revenues from Cal Expo. Against that, B2B business continued to be stagnant.

It should be noted, however, that as anticipated we saw a slowing in business through September and October, mainly due to reduced quality of USA content. This is normal seasonality, however there is no doubt that USA and global economic factors are becoming a threat to the business and industry generally.

#### License Renewals

As reported, we have renewed or are in the process of renewing all our key licenses in both the Isle of Man and the USA. Significantly, we extended our Webis license with the Isle of Man Gambling Supervision Commission in August of this year. Whilst of course the US is the key generator of business, we do consider our continued presence in the Isle of Man as strategically important.

In the USA, as well as our Cal Expo license, and as previously reported, we renewed our online license with the California Horseracing Board on 22 November. This is a vitally important license for reasons given below.

#### Arizona Downs

Shareholders should be updated on this project. We have signed a lease agreement with the landlord at the venue in Prescott Valley, AZ. However, at time of writing we still have not had our license hearing with the State regulators. This has been frustrating, but we fully expect to be licensed by the end of this year, or at worst early in 2023. Based upon that, we would immediately commence operations as a licensee, and plan to commence actual live racing in September and October 2023. We still believe that this project will be profitable and will assist our other live operations at Cal Expo. We will keep shareholders fully informed of progress on this matter.

### **Chairman's Statement continued**

### USA/CA regulated sports betting

As shareholders are aware, on Tuesday 8 November the two Californian Sports Betting Propositions failed to receive the number of votes required for them to go into law. Contrary to some opinions, this was actually a very positive development for our Californian business. The comments for both propositions were seen to be ill thought-out, highly protective, and in the case of 27, potentially misleading. Initial indications since the elections show that this subject is far from dead in California. Simply put, the market for Californian sports betting is too big for it not to happen.

We much prefer working closely with the State legislature in Sacramento to devise a State-driven Bill that is fair and equitable for all interested parties and, most importantly, the Californian customer. We believe that this can happen in 2023 with a view for live operations in 2024 and will work to ensure that our assets in California will be included in such a Bill.

### Strategic Outlook

We have now completed a comprehensive strategic review of our operations and goals for the business through the next two years, all linked to achieving profitability. We have identified growing the B2C sector as our principal aim with a view to at least doubling player numbers within the next two years. We have developed a detailed software and marketing plan to that end which has been approved by the Board with detailed budgets until the end of 2024 which project this sector and indeed the whole operation to be profitable.

In conjunction with that, we have several aims to improve our licensed position in the USA, especially in CA and AZ. We believe that it is vitally important for growth that we continue to ensure the highest levels of regulatory compliance as a company in the USA.

A combination of growth in our core business as detailed above plus our unique presence in key States will greatly enhance the valuation of the business. Related to that, we continue to assess more strategic developments and have not ruled out alliances, mergers or acquisitions to fast-track our growth. We will keep shareholders fully up to date on developments in this area.

### Summary

Finally, I would like to thank all our shareholders and customers for their continued loyalty. In addition, I would like to thank all our staff and team for their work and commitment over the year.

### **Group Gaming Licences**

### Webis Holdings plc

Isle of Man Gambling Supervision Commission

### WatchandWager.com Ltd

Isle of Man Gambling Supervision Commission

### WatchandWager.com LLC - Advanced Deposit Wagering

### Multi-jurisdictional

California Horse Racing Board

North Dakota Racing Commission

### State by State

- California Horse Racing Board
- Colorado Division of Racing Events
- Kentucky Horse Racing Commission
- The Maryland Jockey Club
- Minnesota Racing Commission
- New York State Gaming Commission
- North Dakota Racing Commission
- Washington Horse Racing Commission
- West Virginia Racing Commission

### WatchandWager.com LLC - Cal Expo Harness Racing

California Horse Racing Board

### The Board of Directors

### Denham Eke, aged 71

**Non-executive Chairman** 

Denham Eke began his career in stockbroking before moving into corporate planning for a major UK insurance broker. He is a Director of many years' standing of both public and private companies involved in the mining, leisure, manufacturing and financial services sectors.

Denham Eke was appointed Non-executive Chairman in April 2003.

### Ed Comins, aged 53

**Managing Director** 

Ed Comins has 30+ years' experience in the betting and gaming industry with Coral, Ladbroke Casinos, the Tote and GameAccount. At the Tote he had overall responsibility for developing Totepool's parimutuel business as General Manager of Tote Direct and Development Director for Totepool. He was Commercial Director for GameAccount, a provider of online skill games, where he managed betting partner relationships with key sportsbooks.

Ed Comins joined the Board in May 2010.

### **Richard Roberts, aged 58**

**Non-executive Director** 

Richard Roberts has served in executive and board positions over the past 25 years in the online gaming and betting industries, leading US digital operations in iGaming, ADW and fantasy sports markets. In his current position, he is the President of Digital Gaming for Mohegan Gaming and Entertainment.

Richard Roberts joined the Board in April 2021.

### Sir James Mellon, aged 93

**Non-executive Director** 

Sir James Mellon is a former British diplomat whose final post was a Director-General for Trade and Investment, United States and Consul-General, New York. He has many years of corporate experience having been a chairman or director of numerous public and private companies.

Sir James Mellon joined the Board in January 2012.

### Katie Errock, aged 35

Non-executive Director

Ms Errock, currently Company Secretary for the Group and its subsidiary companies, has extensive experience in compliance, regulation and corporate governance. She is an associate of the Chartered Institute for Securities and Investment and is President of the Isle of Man chapter. Ms Errock is also the Company Secretary for a number of other companies controlled by Burnbrae Group Limited, an entity wholly owned by Webis' principal shareholder, Jim Mellon.

Katie Errock joined the Board in August 2022.

### **Directors' Report**

The Directors present their annual report and the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2022.

### **Principal activities**

The Group operates:

- a pari-mutuel service to individual and business customers; and
- a racetrack under a licence issued in California, USA.

### **Business review**

The Group operates on a worldwide basis and provides online and offline facilities in respect of a wide variety of parimutuel events.

A more detailed review of the business, its results and future developments is in the Chairman's Statement on pages 3 to 5.

### **Proposed dividend**

The Directors do not propose the payment of a dividend (2021: US\$Nil).

### Policy and practice on payment of creditors

It is the policy of the Group to agree appropriate terms and conditions for its transactions with suppliers by means of standard written terms to individually negotiated contracts. The Group seeks to ensure that payments are always made in accordance with these terms and conditions.

At the year-end there were 23 days (2021: 31 days) of purchases in trade creditors.

#### Financial risks

Details relating to financial risk management are shown in note 21 to the financial statements.

### **Directors and Directors' interests**

The Directors who held office during the year and to date were as follows:

Denham Eke	Non-executive Chairman
Ed Comins	Managing Director
Sir James Mellon	Non-executive Director
Richard Roberts	Non-executive Director
Katie Errock	Non-executive Director (appointed 9 August 2022)

The Directors who held office at the end of the year had the following interests in the ordinary shares of the Company and options to purchase such shares arising from incentive schemes:

### **Directors' interests**

	Ordinary shares		Options	
	Interest at end of year 2022	Interest at start of year 2021	Interest at end of year 2022	Interest at start of year 2021
Denham Eke <sup>1</sup>				_
Ed Comins	_	_	14,000,000	14,000,000
Richard Roberts	_	_	_	_
Sir James Mellon	_	—		_

<sup>1</sup> Denham Eke is Managing Director of Burnbrae Limited which holds 248,204,442 ordinary shares representing 63.10% of the issued capital of the Company.

Further details of the options issued to the executive Directors are contained in the Report of the Remuneration Committee on pages 16 and 17.

### **Directors' Report continued**

### **Substantial interests**

On 27 September 2022, the following interests in 3% or more of the Company's ordinary share capital had been reported:

	%	Number of ordinary shares
Burnbrae Limited	63.10	248,204,442

### **Annual General Meeting**

Shareholders will be asked to approve at the Annual General Meeting certain resolutions as special business. Some of these resolutions have become routine business at the Annual General Meetings of most public companies, including your Company, and relate to the renewal of the authority for the Directors to allot relevant securities and the renewal of the powers for the Directors to allot equity securities for cash.

### Employees

The Group is committed to a policy of equal opportunity in matters relating to employment, training and career development of employees, and is opposed to any form of less favourable treatment afforded on the grounds of disability, sex, race or religion.

The Group recognises the importance of ensuring employees are kept informed of the Group's performance, activities and future plans.

### Political and charitable contributions

The Group made no political contributions during the year.

As part of the obligations of the pari-mutuel business in the United States, the Group made charitable contributions of US\$37,892 during the year (2021: US\$49,884).

### Auditors

KPMG Audit LLC, being eligible, have expressed their willingness to continue in office in accordance with Section 12(2) of the Isle of Man Companies Act 1982.

On behalf of the Board

### **Corporate Governance Statement**

### **Corporate Governance Report**

The Board of Webis Holdings plc (the "Board") is committed to best practice in corporate governance throughout Webis Holdings plc and all subsidiary companies (together the "Group"). The Directors have agreed to comply with the provisions of the Quoted Companies Alliance ("QCA") Corporate Governance Code for Small and Mid-Size Quoted Companies (2018) to the extent which is appropriate to its nature and scale of operations. This report illustrates how the Group complies with those principles.

### QCA Principle 1: Establish a strategy and business model which promotes long-term value for shareholders

The strategy and business operations of the Group are set out in the Chairman's Statement on pages 3 to 5.

The Group's strategy and business model and amendments thereto, are developed by the Managing Director and his senior management team and approved by the Board. The management team, led by the Managing Director, is responsible for implementing the strategy and managing the business at an operational level.

The Group's overall strategic objective is to develop a profitable, sustainable advance deposit wagering ("ADW") platform that benefits from a wide and diverse client base, both business and retail. The Group operates through two principal operating subsidiaries: WatchandWager.com Ltd and WatchandWager.com LLC.

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The Group also plans to develop a licensed US-based sportsbook offering following the US Supreme Court ruling which paved the way to legalizing wagering on sports in the United States, subject to individual State legislation. This will probably be developed in partnership with one or more major operators and suppliers in the sector. The Group considers this market to be a significant growth area for our US operations. Significantly, there are a number of California draft Sports Betting Bills being currently debated, which specify that only existing land-based operators in the State will be eligible for license applications, in our case through the Cal Expo, Sacramento, CA racetrack facility. In the United States, WatchandWager.com LLC holds ADW licenses not only for California, but also for North Dakota (providing regulated access to a total of 26 states), together with the previously mentioned individual State licenses.

The Group operates in an inherently high risk and heavily regulated sector, and this is reflected in the principal risks and uncertainties.

In executing the Group's strategy and operational plans, management will typically confront a range of day-to-day challenges associated with these key risks and uncertainties and will seek to deploy the identified mitigation steps to manage these risks as they manifest themselves.

### QCA Principle 2: Seek to understand and meet shareholder needs and expectations

The Group via the Managing Director seeks to maintain a regular dialogue with both existing and potential new shareholders in order to communicate the Group's strategy and progress and to understand the needs and expectations of shareholders.

Beyond the Annual General Meeting, the Managing Director and, where appropriate, other members of the senior management team or Board will meet with investors and analysts to provide them with updates on the Group's business and to obtain feedback regarding the market's expectations of the Group.

The Group's investor relations activities encompass dialogue with both institutional and private investors. From time to time, the Company attends private investor events, providing an opportunity for those investors to meet with representatives from the Group in a more informal setting.

#### QCA Principle 3: Take into account wider stakeholder and social responsibilities and their implications for long-term success

The Group is aware of its corporate social responsibilities and the need to maintain effective working relationships across a range of stakeholder groups. These include the Group's employees, clients, partners, suppliers, regulatory authorities and horseracing colleagues involved in the Group's track facility at Cal Expo. The Group's operations and working methodologies take account of the need to balance the needs of all of these stakeholder groups while maintaining focus on the Board's primary responsibility to promote the success of the Group for the benefit of its members as a whole. The Group endeavours to take account of feedback received from stakeholders, making amendments to working arrangements and operational plans where appropriate and where such amendments are consistent with the Group's longer-term strategy.

The Group takes due account of any impact that its activities may have on the environment and seeks to minimise this impact wherever possible. Through the various procedures and systems, it operates, the Group ensures full compliance with health and safety and environmental legislation relevant to its activities.

### **Corporate Governance Statement continued**

# QCA Principle 4: Embed effective risk management, considering both opportunities and threats, throughout the organisation

The Board is responsible for the systems of risk management and internal control and for reviewing their effectiveness. The internal controls are designed to manage rather than eliminate risk and provide reasonable but not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss. Through the activities of the Group Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee, the effectiveness of these internal controls is reviewed annually.

A comprehensive budgeting process is completed once a year and is reviewed and approved by the Board. The Group's results, compared with the budget, are reported to the Board on a monthly basis.

The Group maintains appropriate insurance cover in respect of actions taken against the Directors because of their roles, as well as against material loss or claims against the Group. The insured values and type of cover are comprehensively reviewed on a periodic basis.

The senior management team meets at least monthly to consider new risks and opportunities presented to the Group, making recommendations to the Board and/or Group Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee as appropriate.

#### QCA Principle 5: Maintain the board as a wellfunctioning, balanced team led by the chair

The Group's Board currently comprises four Non-executive Directors and one Executive Director.

All of the Directors are subject to election by shareholders at the first Annual General Meeting after their appointment to the Board and will continue to seek re-election at least once every three years.

The Board is responsible to the shareholders for the proper management of the Group and meets at least four times a year to set the overall direction and strategy of the Group, to review operational and financial performance and to advise on management appointments. All key operational decisions are subject to Board approval.

Non-executive Directors, Sir James Mellon and Richard Roberts, are considered to be independent. The other Nonexecutive Directors are not considered to be independent given their connection to the Company's controlling shareholder. The QCA Code suggests that a board should have at least two independent Non-executive Directors. The Board considers that the current composition and structure of the Board of Directors have been appropriate to maintain effective oversight of the Group's activities to date. However, the Board is aware that further oversight through independent Non-executive Directors could be beneficial to the governance environment. This process is under review and is pending the further development of business opportunities in the US in order to be able to determine the exact need and requirements. Non-executive Directors receive their fees in the form of a basic cash emolument. The Executive Director receives a basic cash salary and also holds options over the Group's shares. The number and terms are set out on pages 16 and 17.

The option grant concerned is not deemed to be significant for the individual Executive Director. The current remuneration structure for the Board's Executive and Nonexecutive Directors is deemed to be proportionate.

#### QCA Principle 6: Ensure that between them the Directors have the necessary up-to-date experience, skills and capabilities

The Board considers that all of the Executive and Nonexecutive Directors are of sufficient competence and calibre to add strength and objectivity to its activities and bring considerable experience in the operational and financial development of gambling and horseracing companies.

The Directors' biographies are set out on page 7.

The Board regularly reviews the composition of the Board to ensure that it has the necessary breadth and depth of skills to support the ongoing development of the Group. Whilst there is no Finance Director on the Board, the overview of the finance function is the responsibility of a non-Board Financial Controller.

The Chairman, in conjunction with the Company Secretary, ensures that the Directors' knowledge is kept up to date on key issues and developments pertaining to the Group, its operational environment and to the Directors' responsibilities as members of the Board. During the course of the year, Directors received updates from the Company Secretary and various external advisers on a number of corporate governance matters.

Directors' service contracts or appointment letters make provision for a Director to seek personal advice in furtherance of his or her duties and responsibilities, normally via the Company Secretary.

# QCA Principle 7: Evaluate board performance based on clear and relevant objectives, seeking continuous improvement

Internal evaluation of the Board, the Committees and individual Directors is undertaken on an annual basis in the form of peer appraisal and discussions to determine their effectiveness and performance as well as the Directors' continued independence.

The results and recommendations that come out of the appraisals for the Directors shall identify the key corporate and financial targets that are relevant to each Director and their personal targets in terms of career development and training. Progress against previous targets is also assessed where relevant.

The Board may utilise the results of the evaluation process when considering the adequacy of the composition of the Board and for succession planning.

### **Corporate Governance Statement continued**

### QCA Principle 8: Promote a corporate culture that is based on ethical values and behaviours

The Board seeks to maintain the highest standards of integrity and probity in the conduct of the Group's operations. These values are enshrined in the written policies and working practices adopted by all employees in the Group. An open culture is encouraged within the Group, with regular communications to staff regarding progress and staff feedback regularly sought. The Executive Management regularly monitors the Group's cultural environment and seeks to address any concerns that may arise, escalating these to Board level as necessary.

The Group is committed to providing a safe environment for its staff and all other parties for which the Group has a legal or moral responsibility in this area. The Group's health and safety policies and procedures are enshrined in the Group's documented quality systems, which encompass all aspects of the Group's day-to-day operations.

# QCA Principle 9: Maintain governance structures and processes that are fit for purpose and support good decision- making by the board

### The Role of the Board

The Board is collectively responsible for the long-term success of the organisation. Its principal function is to determine the strategy and policies of the Group within an effective control framework which enables risk to be assessed and managed.

The Board ensures that the necessary financial and human resources are in place for the Group to meet its objectives and that business and management performances are reviewed. Furthermore, the Board ensures that the Group operates within its constitution, relevant legislation and regulation and that proper accounting records and effective systems of business control are established, maintained, documented and audited.

There are at least four formal Board meetings each year. All Board members have the benefit, at the Group's expense, of liability insurance in respect of their responsibilities as Directors and have access to independent legal or other professional advice if required. The Board has a formal schedule of matters which are reserved for its consideration and it has established three committees to consider specific issues in greater detail, being the Group Audit, Risk and Compliance, Remuneration and Nomination Committees. The Terms of Reference for each of these Committees are published on the Group's website.

### The Chairman

The Chairman is responsible for leading the Board, ensuring its effectiveness in all aspects of its role, promoting a culture of openness of debate and communicating with the Group's members on behalf of the Board. The Chairman sets the direction of the Board and promotes a culture of openness and debate by facilitating the effective contribution of Nonexecutive Directors and ensuring constructive relations between Executive and Non-executive Directors. The Chairman also ensures that Directors receive accurate, timely and clear information. In doing so, this fosters a positive corporate governance culture throughout the Group.

### The Managing Director

The Managing Director is responsible for managing the Group's business and operations within the parameters set by the Board.

### **Non-executive Directors**

The Non-executive Directors are responsible for bringing independent judgement to the discussions held by the Board, using their breadth of experience and understanding of the business. Their key responsibilities are to constructively challenge and contribute to strategic proposals, and to monitor performance, resources, and standards of conduct, compliance and control, whilst providing support to executive management in developing the Group.

The Board has established a Group Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee ("ARCC" or "Committee"), a Remuneration Committee and a Nominations Committee with formally delegated duties and responsibilities. Sir James Mellon chairs both the ARCC and the Remuneration Committee.

### Group Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee

The ARCC meets at least two times each year and comprises two Non-executive Directors, currently Sir James Mellon (Chairman) and Denham Eke. The external auditors attend by invitation. Its role is to be responsible for reviewing the integrity of the financial statements and the balance of information disclosed in the accompanying Directors' Report, to review the effectiveness of internal controls and risk management systems and recommend to the Board (for approval by the members) the appointment or reappointment of the external auditor. The ARCC reviews and monitors the external auditor's objectivity, competence, effectiveness and independence, ensuring that if it or its associates are invited to undertake non-audit work it will not compromise auditor objectivity and independence.

Further information can be found within the Group Audit, Risk and Compliance Report contained within this Annual Report.

### **Remuneration Committee**

The Remuneration Committee meets at least twice a year and comprises two Non-executive Directors. It is chaired by Sir James Mellon and is responsible for determining the remuneration of the Executive Director, the Company Secretary and other members of the management. Committee members do not take part in discussions concerning their own remuneration.

Further information can be found within the Remuneration Report contained within this Annual Report.

#### **Nomination Committee**

The Nomination Committee is comprised of the whole Board. It is chaired by the Chairman of the Board and is responsible for making recommendations to the Board on matters relating to the composition of the Board, including Executive and Non-executive Director succession planning, the appointment of new Directors and the election and reelection of Directors. The Nomination Committee only meets as matters arise.

### **Corporate Governance Statement continued**

### Appointments to the Board

The principal purpose of the Nomination Committee is to undertake the assessment of the balance of skills, experience, independence and knowledge on the Board against the requirements of the business, with a view to determining whether any shortages exist. Having completed the assessment, the Committee makes recommendations to the Board accordingly. Appointments to the Board are made on merit, with due regard to the benefits of diversity. Within this context, the paramount objective is the selection of the best candidate, irrespective of background, and it is the view of the Board that establishing quotas or targets for the diversity of the Board is not appropriate.

All Director appointments must be approved by the Company's Nominated Adviser, as required under the AIM Rules, before they are appointed to the Board.

Prior to appointment, Non-executive Directors are required to demonstrate that they are able to allocate sufficient time to undertake their duties.

### **Re-election**

The Group's Rules require that all Directors are submitted for election at the AGM following their first appointment to the Board. Thereafter all Directors will submit themselves for reelection at least once every three years, irrespective of performance.

### Board and committee attendance

The number of formal scheduled Board and committee meetings held and attended by Directors during the year was as follows: -

	Board	Audit	Remuneration	Nomination
Denham Eke	5/5	2/2	2/2	-
Sir James Mellon	5/5	2/2	2/2	-
Ed Comins	5/5	1/2	-	-
Richard Roberts	5/5	1/2	-	-

#### QCA Principle 10: Communicate how the company is governed and is performing by maintaining a dialogue with shareholders and other relevant stakeholders

The Group places a high priority on regular communications with its various stakeholder groups and aims to ensure that all communications concerning the Group's activities are clear, fair and accurate. The Group's website is regularly updated, and users can register to be alerted when announcements or details of presentations and events are posted onto the website.

Notices of General Meetings of the Company can be found here: http://www.webisholdingsplc.com/latest-news/.

The results of voting on all resolutions in general meetings are posted to the Group's website, including any actions to be taken as a result of resolutions for which votes against have been received from at least 20 per cent of independent shareholders.

### Approval

This report was approved by the Board of Directors on 28 November 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

### Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee Report

The Directors have agreed to comply with the provisions of the Quoted Companies Alliance Corporate Governance Code for Small and Mid-Size Quoted Companies (2018) to the extent which is appropriate to its nature and scale of operations.

This report illustrates how the Group complies with those principles in relation to its Group Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee.

### Membership

The Committee comprises of two Non-executive Directors and the members are Sir James Mellon (Chairman) and Denham Eke. The composition of the Committee has been reviewed during the year and the Board is satisfied that the Committee members have recent relevant financial experience and the expertise to resource and fulfil its responsibilities effectively, including those relating to risk and controls.

### Meetings

The Committee meets two times a year, including the review of the interim and full year results. Other Directors and representatives from the external auditors attend by invitation.

### Duties

The Committee carries out the duties below for the Company and the Group as a whole, as appropriate:

- Monitors the integrity of the financial statements of the Company, including annual and half-yearly reports, interim management statements, and any other formal announcement relating to financial performance, reviewing significant financial reporting issues and judgements which they contain.
- Reviews and challenges the consistency of the information presented within the financial statements, compliance with stock exchange or other legal requirements, accounting policies and the methods used to account for significant or unusual transactions.
- Keeps under review the effectiveness of the Group's internal controls and risk management systems.
- Reviews the Group's arrangements for its employees to raise, in confidence, possible wrongdoing in financial reporting or other matters, the procedures for detecting fraud, prevention of bribery and adequacy and effectiveness of the Group's anti-money laundering systems and control.
- KPMG Audit LLC was appointed as auditor in 2002 and the Committee oversees the relationship with them including regular meetings to discuss their remit and review the findings and any issues with the annual audit. It also reviews their terms of appointment, meets them once a year independent of management and considers and makes recommendations to the Board, to be put to the Company for approval at the Annual General Meeting, in relation to the appointment, re-appointment and removal of the Company's external auditor. There are no contractual restrictions in place in respect of the auditor choice.
- The Committee is governed by a Terms of Reference and a copy of this is available on <u>www.webisholdingsplc.com</u> - the Company's website.

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During the year the Committee held two meetings and can confirm that it has received sufficient, reliable and timely information from management and the external auditors to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities.

The Committee has satisfied itself that there are no relationships between the auditor and the Group which could adversely affect the auditor's independence and objectivity and regular meetings have been held with them at both the planning stage prior to the audit and after the audit at the reporting stage.

All internal control and risk issues that have been brought to the attention of the Committee by the external auditors have been considered and the committee confirms that it is satisfied that management has addressed the issues or has plans to do so.

The Group has a number of policies and procedures in place as part of its internal controls and these are subject to continuous review and as a minimum are reviewed by the Committee on an annual basis.

The Committee has reviewed and discussed together with management and the external auditor the Company's financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2022 and reports from the external auditor on the planning for and outcome of their reviews and audit. The key accounting issues and judgements considered relating to the Group's financial statements and disclosures were as follows:

- Revenue recognition the Committee considered the conditions of revenue recognition, including that of being recognised on an accrual basis. The Committee agreed that the current method of revenue recognition is appropriate for the market that the Group operates within and that revenue satisfied the necessary criteria to be recognised. Disclosures are included in note 1;
- Going concern the Committee reviewed the going concern position of the Group, taking into account the 12-month cash flow forecasts and the continued support of the principal shareholder. The Committee is satisfied that preparing the financial statements on a going concern basis is appropriate. Disclosures are included in note 1;
- Cash balances the Committee reviewed the cash position to ensure that it is able to meet its ongoing requirements and also has sufficient cash reserves to cover the relevant player liabilities. The Committee is satisfied that there are sufficient cash balances to meet its ongoing expenses and cover the player balances in full if required. Disclosures are included in note 12.

### Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in Respect of the Annual Report and the Financial Statements

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the Group and Parent Company financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare Group and Parent Company financial statements for each financial year. Under the AIM Rules of the London Stock Exchange, they are required to prepare the Group financial statements in accordance with UK Adopted – International Accounting Standards post Brexit and applicable law and they have elected to prepare the Parent Company financial statements on the same basis.

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 Parent Company and of their profit or loss for that period. In preparing each of the Group and Parent Company financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable, relevant and reliable;
- state whether they have been prepared in accordance with UK Adopted – International Accounting Standards post Brexit;
- assess the Group and Parent Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern; and
- use the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Group or the Parent Company or to cease operations or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Parent Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Parent Company and enable them to ensure that its financial statements comply with the Companies Acts 1931-2004. They are 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, and have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the Group and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

Under applicable law and regulations, the Directors are also responsible for preparing a Directors' Report that complies with that law and those regulations.

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

Signed on behalf of the Board.

### **Report of the Remuneration Committee**

### **Directors' Remuneration Report**

As an Isle of Man registered company there is no requirement to produce a Directors' Remuneration Report. However, the Board follows best practice and therefore has prepared such a report.

The Directors have agreed to comply with the provisions of the Quoted Companies Alliance Corporate Governance Code for Small and Mid-Size Quoted Companies (2018) to the extent which is appropriate to its nature and scale of operations.

This report illustrates how the Group complies with those principles in relation to Directors' remuneration.

### The Level and Components of Executive Director Remuneration

The Group's Remuneration Policy reflects the Group's business strategy and objectives as well as sustained and long-term value creation for shareholders. In addition, the policy aims to be fair and provide equality of opportunity, ensuring that: -

- the Group is able to attract, develop and retain highperforming and motivated employees in the competitive local and wider US markets;
- employees are offered a competitive remuneration package to encourage enhanced performance and are, in a fair and responsible manner, rewarded for their individual contribution to the success of the Group;
- it reflects our culture and values; and
- there is full transparency of the Group's Remuneration Policy.

In line with the Board's approach, which reflects that adopted within other comparable organisations, the Group's Remuneration Policy provides for the reward of the Executive Director through salary and other benefits.

#### **Executive Director's Emoluments**

The remuneration for the Executive Director reflects their responsibilities. It comprises basic salary, eligibility to participate in an annual bonus scheme when this is considered appropriate, private healthcare and share option incentives.

Annual bonus scheme payments are not pensionable and are not contracted.

As with staff generally, whose salaries are subject to annual reviews, the basic salary payable to the Executive Director is reviewed each year with reference to jobs carrying similar responsibilities in comparable e-gaming organisations, market conditions generally and local employment competition in view of the Group's geographical position.

It is anticipated that an annual bonus scheme will operate when Group profitability and cash flow allow. Bonuses for the Executive Director are calculated with reference to the profit before tax as disclosed in the audited accounts of the Group, together with an assessment by the Committee of the Director's performance against agreed personal targets. Bonus payments are not pensionable.

The Committee believes that share ownership by executives strengthens the link between their personal interests and those of shareholders. Options are granted to executives periodically at the discretion of the Remuneration Committee. The grant of share options is not subject to fixed performance criteria. This is deemed to be appropriate as it allows the Committee to consider the performance of the Group and the contribution of the individual executives and, as with annual bonus payments, illustrates the relative importance placed on performance-related remuneration.

The Group does not intend to contribute to the personal pension plans of Directors in the forthcoming year.

### **Executive Directors' Contractual Terms**

The service contract of the Executive Director provides for a notice period of six months.

### Non-executive Directors' Remuneration

Non-executive Directors do not receive any benefits other than their fees and travelling expenses for which they are reimbursed. The level of fees payable to Non-executive Directors is assessed using benchmarks from a group of comparable e-gaming organisations.

#### The Procedure for Determining Remuneration

The Remuneration Committee, comprising two Nonexecutive Directors, is responsible for setting the remuneration of the Executive Director and is chaired by Sir James Mellon. Committee members do not take part in discussions concerning their own remuneration. The basic Non-executive Director fee is set by the Group Chairman. The Chairman of the Committee reports at the Board meeting following a Committee meeting.

It is the view of the Committee that Directors' remuneration awarded across the Group for the year has been in accordance with the Group's stated Remuneration Policy and, on behalf of the Committee I recommend that you endorse this Group report. An analysis of Directors' emoluments is as follows:

	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Emoluments — salaries, bonuses and taxable benefits	345	366
— fees	96	73
	441	439

### **Report of the Remuneration Committee continued**

### **Directors' Emoluments**

	Basic salary US\$000	Fees US\$000	Bonus US\$000	Termination payments US\$000	Benefits US\$000	2022 Total US\$000	2021 Total US\$000
Executive							
Ed Comins	320	_	—	_	25	345	366
Non-executive							
Denham Eke*	_	27	—	_	_	27	26
Nigel Caine	_	_	—	_	_	_	20
Sir James Mellon	_	21	—	_	_	21	20
Richard Roberts	—	48	—	_	_	48	7
Aggregate emoluments	320	96	_	_	25	441	439

\* Paid to Burnbrae Limited.

Details of the options outstanding at 31 May 2022 are as follows:

Name of Director	31 May 2021	Granted / (lapsed) in year	31 May 2022	Exercise price	Date from which exercisable	Expiry date
Ed Comins - 2016 Share Option Plan	14,000,000	_	14,000,000	1р	3 March 2019	3 March 2026
	14,000,000	_	14,000,000			

The market price of the shares at 31 May 2022 was 2.70p. The range during the year was 5.00p to 2.02p.

**Approval** The report was approved by the Board of Directors and signed on behalf of the Board.

### Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Webis Holdings plc

### 1. Our opinion is unmodified

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Webis Holdings plc (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (together, the "Group"), which comprise the consolidated and Company statement of financial position as at 31 May 2022, the consolidated statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes, comprising significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

### In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Group's and of the Company's affairs as at 31 May 2022 and of the Group's loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK Adopted International Accounting Standards post Brexit; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Acts 1931 to 2004.

### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities are described below. We have fulfilled our ethical responsibilities under, and are independent of the Company and Group in accordance with, UK ethical requirements including the FRC Ethical Standard as applied to public interest entities. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is a sufficient and appropriate basis for our opinion.

### 2. Key audit matters: our assessment of the risks of material misstatement

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements and include the most significant assessed risks of material misstatement (whether or not due to fraud) identified by us, 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 were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. In arriving at our audit opinion above, the other key audit matters were as follows:

### Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Webis Holdings plc continued

2. Key audit matters: our assessment of the risks of material misstatement continued

	The risk	Our response
Revenue recognition (Group key audit matter)	Revenue recognition - occurrence	Our audit procedures included:
Consolidated Statement of	The Group enters into high volumes of revenue-generating transactions each day	Outsourcing controls:
Comprehensive Income: Revenue US\$53,612,000 (2021: US\$55,668,000)	which are processed on complex IT systems. There is a risk that a system may not be configured correctly from the	<ul> <li>We evaluated the control environment of the service organisations by obtaining and inspecting the latest</li> </ul>

Refer to note 1.2 (Accounting Policy for Revenue) and note 2 (Operating Segments) The Group enters into high volumes of revenue-generating transactions each day which are processed on complex IT systems. There is a risk that a system may not be configured correctly from the outset such that winning and losing bets or commissions are calculated incorrectly, that the systems do not interface correctly from the customer facing systems through to the financial information systems and that unauthorised changes may be made to any of these systems, which may result in the misstatement of revenue.

There is also the risk that revenue is materially misstated in order to boost the Group's earnings position and future outlook may be induced by a number of factors. This may include the Company's AIM listed status – hence an effort to maintain a high share price and the need to meet both internal goals and external market expectations.

Considering the factors above we identified the occurrence of revenue as a significant risk due to fraud and error.

- We evaluated the control environment of the service organisations by obtaining and inspecting the latest System and Organisation Controls (SOC) reports upon whose system infrastructure and applications are relied on by the Group.
- We tested the operating effectiveness of controls by obtaining and inspecting SOC reports from the service organisations.
- We also tested the operating effectiveness of controls which are performed at the user entity level.
- We assessed the objectivity, competence and the nature of work performed by the Independent Service Auditor who provides the SOC reports.

### Tests of details:

- We agreed total revenues and payouts recorded by the Group to the reports extracted from the third party service organisation's system, which we obtained independently from the third party service organisation's system.
- We tested 100 per cent of the other directly related expenses by tracing amounts recorded to supplier invoices.
- We recalculated net gaming revenue subtracting total payouts and other directly related expenses from revenue.
- We have performed cut-off test to ensure that revenue recorded during the year met the criteria for recognition during the year and that revenue earned post year end has not been recorded incorrectly in the year under audit.
- We inspected post year end journals for reversals in revenue.
- We compared FX rates used in translating revenue to market rates.

### Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Webis Holdings plc continued

### 2. Key audit matters: our assessment of the risks of material misstatement continued

	The risk	Our response
Coing Concern (Group and Company ey audit matter)	Disclosure quality	We considered whether these risks coul plausibly affect the liquidity in the goin
Refer to basis of preparation note 1.1	The financial statements explain how the Board has formed a judgement that it is appropriate to adopt the going concern basis of preparation for the Group and Company.	concern period by assessing the Directors sensitivities over the level of availabl financial resources indicated by the Grou and Company's financial forecasts takin account of severe, but plausible, advers
	That judgement is based on an evaluation of the inherent risks to the Group and Company's business model and how those risks might affect the Group and Company's financial resources or ability to continue operations over a period of at least a year from the date of approval of the financial statements. The risks most likely to adversely affect the Group and Company's available financial	effects that could arise from these risk individually and collectively. Our procedures also included: Key dependency assessment: W inspected a letter received by the Director indicating the related entity's intention to provide financial support, held discussion to assess its ability to provide this suppo over the period of the Group an
	<ul> <li>resources over this period were:</li> <li>the ability to continue to generate positive cash flows; and</li> </ul>	Company's going concern assessment, an assessed the business reasons why the related entity may or may not choose to provide this support.
	• the ability of a related entity to provide funding to the Group and Company.	Benchmarking assumptions: Critical assessing assumptions in the cash flow included in the approved budgets based c our knowledge of the Group and Compar and the sector in which it operates.
	There is also less predictable but realistic second order impact, such as the impact of Coronavirus, which could result in a rapid reduction of available financial resources. The risk for our audit was whether or not	Historical comparisons: Assessing the reasonableness of the budgets the comparing to actual results and considering the historical accuracy of previous forecasts.
	those risks were such that they amounted to a material uncertainty that may have cast significant doubt about the ability to continue as a going concern. Had they been such, then that fact would have been required to have been disclosed.	Sensitivity analysis: Considerir sensitivities over the level of availab financial resources indicated by the Grou and Company's financial forecasts takin into account plausible but not unrealist adverse effects that could arise from these risks individually and collectively.
		Evaluating Directors' intent: We evaluate the achievability of the actions the Directo consider they would take to improve the position should the risks materialise.
		Assessing transparency: Considering whether the going concern disclosure note 1.1 to the financial statements gives full and accurate description of the Directors' assessment of going concer- including the identified risks, dependencies and related sensitivities.

### Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Webis Holdings plc continued

### 3. Our application of materiality and an overview of the scope of our audit

Materiality for the consolidated financial statements as a whole was set at US\$42,000, determined with reference to a benchmark of group net gaming revenue of US\$5,049,231, of which it represents approximately 0.9% (2021: 0.9%). Materiality for the Company financial statements as a whole was set at US\$36,000 (2021: US\$23,000).

In line with our audit methodology, our procedures on individual account balances and disclosures were performed to a lower threshold, performance materiality, so as to reduce to an acceptable level the risk that individually immaterial misstatements in individual account balances add up to a material amount across the financial statements as a whole. Performance materiality for the Group was set at 75% (2021: 75%) of materiality for the financial statements as a whole, which equates to US\$33,000 (2021: US\$39,000) for the Group and US\$27,000 (US\$17,000) for the Company. We applied this percentage in our determination of performance materiality because we did not identify any factors indicating an elevated level of risk.

We reported to the Audit Committee any corrected or uncorrected identified misstatements exceeding US\$2,200 for the Group and US\$1,800 for the Company, in addition to other identified misstatements that warranted reporting on qualitative grounds.

Our audit of the Group was undertaken to the materiality level specified above, which has informed our identification of significant risks of material misstatement and the associated audit procedures performed in those areas as detailed above.

The group team performed the audit of the Group as if it was a single aggregated set of financial information. The audit was performed using the materiality level set out above and covered 100% of total group revenue, total group loss before tax, and total group assets and liabilities.

### 4. Going concern

The Directors have prepared the consolidated financial statements on the going concern basis as they do not intend to liquidate the Group or the Company or to cease their operations, and as they have concluded that the Group and the Company's financial position means that this is realistic. They have also concluded that there are no material uncertainties that could have cast significant doubt over their ability to continue as a going concern for at least a year from the date of approval of the consolidated financial statements (the "going concern period").

An explanation of how we evaluated management's assessment of going concern is set out in the related key audit matter in the key audit matters section of this report.

Our conclusions based on this work:

- we consider that the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements is appropriate;
- we have not identified, and concur with the Directors' assessment that there is not, a material uncertainty related to events
  or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Group and the Company's ability to
  continue as a going concern for the going concern period; and
- we found the going concern disclosure in the notes to the consolidated financial statements to be acceptable.

However, as we cannot predict all future events or conditions and as subsequent events may result in outcomes that are inconsistent with judgements that were reasonable at the time they were made, the above conclusions are not a guarantee that the Group and the Company will continue in operation.

### 5. Fraud and breaches of laws and regulations - ability to detect

### Identifying and responding to risks of material misstatement due to fraud

To identify risks of material misstatement due to fraud ("fraud risks") we assessed events or conditions that could indicate an incentive or pressure to commit fraud or provide an opportunity to commit fraud. Our risk assessment procedures included:

- enquiring of management as to the Group and Company's policies and procedures to prevent and detect fraud as well as enquiring whether management have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud;
- reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance; and
- using analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships.

### Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Webis Holdings plc continued

### 5. Fraud and breaches of laws and regulations - ability to detect continued

### Identifying and responding to risks of material misstatement due to fraud continued

As required by auditing standards, we perform procedures to address the risk of management override of controls, in particular the risk that management may be in a position to make inappropriate accounting entries. On this audit we do not believe there is a fraud risk related to revenue recognition because the Group and Company's revenue streams are simple in nature with respect to accounting policy choice and are easily verifiable to external data sources or agreements with little or no requirement for estimation from management. We did not identify any additional fraud risks.

We performed procedures including:

- identifying journal entries and other adjustments to test based on risk criteria and comparing any identified entries to supporting documentation; and
- incorporating an element of unpredictability in our audit procedures.

### Identifying and responding to risks of material misstatement due to non-compliance with laws and regulations

We identified areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the consolidated financial statements from our sector experience and through discussion with management (as required by auditing standards), and from inspection of the Group's regulatory and legal correspondence, if any, and discussed with management the policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations. As the Group is regulated, our assessment of risks involved gaining an understanding of the control environment including the entity's procedures for complying with regulatory requirements.

The Group is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the consolidated financial statements including financial reporting legislation and taxation legislation and we assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items.

The Group is subject to other laws and regulations where the consequences of non-compliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the consolidated financial statements, for instance through the imposition of fines or litigation or impacts on the Group and the Company's ability to operate. We identified financial services regulation as being the area most likely to have such an effect, recognising the regulated nature of the Group's activities and its legal form. Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these laws and regulations to enquiry of management and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. Therefore, if a breach of operational regulations is not disclosed to us or evident from relevant correspondence, an audit will not detect that breach.

### Context of the ability of the audit to detect fraud or breaches of law or regulation

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the consolidated financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the consolidated financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it.

In addition, as with any audit, there remains a higher risk of non-detection of fraud, as this may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. Our audit procedures are designed to detect material misstatement. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance or fraud and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

### 6. Other information

The Directors are responsible for the other information, which comprises the strategic report, the Directors' report and the ither information included in the annual report but does not include the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or, except as explicitly stated below, any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

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

Under the Companies Acts 1931 to 2004, we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

We have nothing to report in these respects.

### 8. Respective responsibilities

### Directors' responsibilities

As explained more fully in their statement set out on page 15, the Directors are responsible for: the preparation of the consolidated financial statements including being satisfied that they give a true and fair view; such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; assessing the Group and 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 they either intend to liquidate the Group or the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

### Auditor's responsibilities

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue our opinion in an auditor's report. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but does not 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 aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the consolidated financial statements.

A fuller description of our responsibilities is provided on the FRC's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities.

### 9. The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities

This report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with section 15 of the Companies Act 1982. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and its members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Russell Kelly For and on behalf of KPMG Audit LLC Chartered Accountants Isle of Man 28 November 2022

# Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income For the year ended 31 May 2022

	Note	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Amounts wagered		120,140	132,149
Revenue	1.2	53,612	55,668
Cost of sales	1.2	(48,462)	(49,757)
Betting duty paid		(101)	(114)
Gross profit		5,049	5,797
Operating costs		(5,604)	(5,314)
Loss allowance on trade receivables	21	11	7
Other gains		20	2
Government grant	15	(48)	272
Other income		324	185
Operating (loss) / profit	3	(248)	949
Finance costs	4	(126)	(125)
(Loss) / profit before income tax		(374)	824
Income tax expense	6	_	
(Loss) / profit for the year		(374)	824
Total comprehensive (loss) / profit for the year		(374)	824
Basic earnings per share for (loss) / profit attributable to the equity holders of the Company during the year (cents)	7	(0.10)	0.21
Diluted earnings per share for (loss) / profit attributable to the equity holders of the Company during the year (cents)	7	(0.09)	0.20

The notes on pages 28 to 52 form part of these financial statements.

### **Statements of Financial Position**

As at 31 May 2022

	Note	31.05.22 Group US\$000	31.05.22 Company US\$000	31.05.21 Group US\$000	31.05.21 Company US\$000
Non-current assets					
Intangible assets	8	11	_	12	_
Property, equipment and motor vehicles	9	724	3	380	6
Investments	10	_	3	_	3
Bonds and deposits	11	100	_	101	_
Total non-current assets		835	6	493	9
Current assets					
Bonds and deposits	11	883	_	882	—
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	12	4,139	1,266	5,083	2,142
Trade and other receivables	13	1,190	821	1,896	150
Total current assets		6,212	2,087	7,861	2,292
Total assets		7,047	2,093	8,354	2,301
Equity					
Called up share capital	17	6,334	6,334	6,334	6,334
Share option reserve	17	42	42	42	42
Retained losses		(5,058)	(5,711)	(4,684)	(5,516)
Total equity		1,318	665	1,692	860
Current liabilities					
Trade and other payables	14	3,640	78	4,995	91
Loans, borrowings and lease liabilities	16	109	_	572	500
Total current liabilities		3,749	78	5,567	591
Non-current liabilities					
Loans, borrowings and lease liabilities	16	1,980	1,350	1,095	850
Total non-current liabilities		1,980	1,350	1,095	850
Total liabilities		5,729	1,428	6,662	1,441
Total equity and liabilities		7,047	2,093	8,354	2,301

The notes on pages 28 to 52 form part of these financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 28 November 2022.

Denham Eke

**Non-executive Chairman** 

# Statements of Changes in Equity For the year ended 31 May 2022

Group	Called up share capital US\$000	Share option reserve US\$000	Retained earnings US\$000	Total equity US\$000
Balance as at 31 May 2020	6,334	42	(5,508)	868
Total comprehensive loss for the year:				
Profit for the year	—	_	824	824
Balance as at 31 May 2021	6,334	42	(4,684)	1,692
Total comprehensive profit for the year:				
Loss for the year	_	_	(374)	(374)
Balance as at 31 May 2022	6,334	42	(5,058)	1,318

Company	Called up share capital US\$000	Share option reserve US\$000	Retained earnings US\$000	Total equity US\$000
Balance as at 31 May 2020	6,334	42	(5,526)	850
Total comprehensive loss for the year:				
Profit for the year	—	—	10	10
Balance as at 31 May 2021	6,334	42	(5,516)	860
Total comprehensive profit for the year:				
Loss for the year	_	_	(195)	(195)
Balance as at 31 May 2022	6,334	42	(5,711)	665

The notes on pages 28 to 52 form part of these financial statements.

### **Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**

For the year ended 31 May 2022

	Note	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Cash flows from operating activities			
(Loss) / profit before income tax		<b>(374</b> )	824
Adjustments for:			
- Depreciation of property, equipment and motor vehicles	9	128	119
- Amortisation of intangible assets	8	7	26
- Rent concessions received	19	(2)	(5)
- Loan interest paid		101	101
- Re-recognition of PPP loan	15	48	_
- Government grant utilised		_	(272)
- Decrease / (increase) in movement of restricted cash*		768	(375)
- Increase in lease liabilities		25	24
- Other foreign exchange movements		(66)	222
Changes in working capital:			
- Decrease / (increase) in receivables		706	(640)
- (Decrease) / increase in payables		(1,355)	1,246
Net cash (used in) / generated from operating activities		(14)	1,270
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of intangible assets	8	(6)	(8)
Purchase of property, equipment and motor vehicles	9	_	(84)
Net cash used in investing activities		(6)	(92)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Loan interest paid		(101)	(101)
Payment of lease liabilities - principal	19	(92)	(92)
Payment of lease liabilities - interest	19	(25)	(24)
Rent concessions received	19	2	5
Repayment of loans and borrowings		(6)	(5)
Net cash used in financing activities	16	(222)	(217)
Net (decrease) / increase in cash and cash equivalents		(242)	961
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		3,238	2,499
Exchange gains / (losses) on cash and cash equivalents		66	(222)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	12	3,062	3,238

The notes on pages 28 to 52 form part of these financial statements.

\*Decrease / (increase) in movement of restricted cash, has been reclassified to Operating activities from Cash and cash equivalents. The reclassification has been made to achieve better presentation, as the restricted cash relates to player liabilities, which is part of the operating activity of the Group. The impact of this reclassification on net cash (used in) / generated from operating activities is a decrease of USD 375k on the total as previously reported of USD 1,645k.

### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

For the year ended 31 May 2022

### 1 Reporting entity

Webis Holdings plc (the "Company") is a company domiciled in the Isle of Man. The address of the Company's registered office is Viking House, Nelson Street, Douglas, Isle of Man, IM1 2AH. The Webis Holdings plc consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 May 2022 consolidate those of the Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as the "Group").

### 1.1 Basis of preparation

### (a) Statement of compliance

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with UK Adopted – International Accounting Standards post Brexit.

The Group has consistently applied the accounting policies as set out in note 1.2 to all periods presented in these financial statements.

### Functional and presentational currency

These financial statements are presented in US Dollars which is the Group's presentational currency. Financial information presented in US Dollars has been rounded to the nearest thousand, unless otherwise indicated. All continued operations of the Group have US Dollars as their functional currency.

### Other information presented

In line with the Isle of Man Companies Acts 1931-2004, the Company also presents Parent Company Statements of Financial Position, the Parent Company Statement of Changes in Equity and related disclosures

### (b) Basis of measurement

The Group consolidated financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention except where assets and liabilities are required to be stated at their fair value.

### (c) Use of estimates and judgement

The preparation of the Group financial statements in conformity with UK Adopted – International Accounting Standards post Brexit requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge and experience of current events and expected economic conditions, actual results may differ from these estimates.

The Directors consider the only critical estimate area to be as follows:

 Note 21 – the measurement of Expected Credit Loss ("ECL") allowance for trade and other receivables and assessment of specific impairment allowances where receivables are past due.

#### Going concern

The Group and Parent Company financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

As indicated in the statement of comprehensive income, the Group has incurred a net loss in the current year of US\$374,000 (2021: profit of US\$824,000) and due to that, net assets reduced from US\$1,692,000 to US\$1,318,000.

2020/21 results benefitted from the horseracing industry continuing to operate during the lockdown period of the Covid pandemic in 2020, which allowed the industry to attract higher player numbers and wagering volumes, which resulted in improved performance and increased Group profitability during that financial year. While there has been an expected reduction in retail customer numbers as other sports and wagering opportunities opened again, overall, there has still been an improvement in net results when compared to years prior to 2020/21. Extensive efforts have been made to promote the content and markets the Group provides to a wider customer base with an increased focus on player retention. Whilst there can be no certainty as to the level and duration of higher volumes and improved trading results, significant attention is being applied to sustain these trading patterns through attracting and retaining new players.

The Group has maintained sufficient operational cash to allow it to continue to meet its liabilities for the foreseeable future.

### Notes to the Financial Statements continued

### 1.1 Basis of preparation continued

### Going concern continued

In order to help achieve and maintain its goal of profitability and maintaining adequate liquidity in order to continue its operations the Directors are continuing to pursue strategies that include:

- broadening the Group's client base and the continued expansion of its business to customer base;
- continuing to renew and acquire further US state regulated gaming licenses and continuing to develop and expand the Cal Expo racetrack operation; and
- taking advantage of the anticipated regulatory change in the State of California's adoption of sports betting legislation which will further open up opportunities for the Group.

Whilst the Directors continue to assess all strategic options in relation to the strategies noted in the previous paragraph, the Directors recognize that the ultimate success of strategies adopted is difficult to predict as they require additional liquidity to pursue the required investment, including bonds to be placed with the relevant authorities to allow for betting on those tracks and excess cost to be paid to service providers to add more servers to allow for increased number of users. The Directors have prepared cash flow forecasts for a period of 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements which indicate that, taking account of reasonably possible downsides, the Group is projected to have sufficient funds. Projections are inherently uncertain (also considering the history of losses) and, in that regard, the related entity has committed to extend funding in case the Group faces any difficulty to meet its liabilities as they fall due for that period.

The Company and the Group have, in previous years, received financial support from Galloway Limited (related entity) and Galloway Limited has expressed its willingness to continue to make funds available as and when needed by the Group and Company. The loans from Galloway Limited stand at US\$1,350,000 as at 31 May 2022.

As with any company placing reliance on other parties for financial support, the Directors acknowledge that there can be no certainty that this support will continue, although, at the date of approval of these financial statements, they have no reason to believe that it will not do so.

Based on these indications, (namely cashflow projections and commitment of support from the related entity), along with the current cash position, the Directors believe that it remains appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis.

### 1.2 Summary of significant accounting policies

During the current year the Group adopted all the new and revised IFRSs that are relevant to its operation and are effective for accounting periods beginning on 1 June 2021. No adoptions had a material effect on the accounting policies of the Group.

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

### **Basis of consolidation**

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the results of the Group. Subsidiaries are consolidated from the date of acquisition, being the date on which the Group obtains control, and continue until the date that such control ceases. Control exists when the Group has the power, directly or indirectly, to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

The Group applies the acquisition method to account for business combinations. The consideration transferred for the acquisition of a subsidiary is the fair values of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred to the former owners of the acquiree and the equity interests issued by the Group. The consideration transferred includes the fair value of any asset or liability resulting from a contingent consideration arrangement. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date. Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred.

Inter-company transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between the Group companies are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated. When necessary amounts reported by subsidiaries have been adjusted to conform with the Group's accounting policies.

### Notes to the Financial Statements continued

### 1.2 Summary of significant accounting policies continued

### Foreign currency translation

### (a) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Group's entities are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates ('the functional currency'). As the primary activities of the Group and the primary transactional currency of the Group's customers are carried out in US Dollars, the consolidated financial statements have been presented in US Dollars. The determination of the presentation currency does not involve significant judgement as the primary activities of the Group are in US Dollars.

#### (b) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions or valuation where items are remeasured. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the income statement, except when deferred in other comprehensive income as qualifying cash flow hedges and qualifying net investment hedges. Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to borrowings are presented in the income statement within 'Finance income' or 'Finance costs'. All other foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in the income statement within 'Other (losses)/gains'.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of a foreign entity are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign entity and translated at the closing rate. Exchange differences arising are recognised in other comprehensive income.

#### Revenue from contracts with customers

The Group generates revenue primarily from the provision of wagering services and the hosting of races on which guests are entitled to participate in the related wagering services. Revenue is measured based on the consideration specified in a contract with a customer. The Group recognises revenue when it discharges services to a customer. Revenue has been disaggregated by geographical locations which are consistent with the operating segments (note 2).

Hosting fees (Racetrack operations) are recognised when the customers participate in the Group's pari-mutuel pools and the race audio visual signals are transmitted. Hosting fees are recorded on a gross receipts basis.

Wagering revenue from the Group's activities as the race host is recognised when a race on which wagers are placed is completed. The wagering commission from the Group's commingling of its wagering pools with a host's pool is recognised when the race on which those wagers are placed is completed. The Group acts as a principal when it allows customers to place wagers in the races it hosts and as an agent when it allows customers to place wagers in other entities' races. Where the Group acts as a principal, the entire wager is recognised as revenue and where it is an agent the wagering commission the Group retains is recognised as revenue.

Settlement terms for revenue where the Group acts as a host is usually 7 days for on and off-track wagering and 30 days from month end for ADW wagering. Where the Group acts as an agent, settlement terms are typically 30 days from month end.

Transactions fees (ADW operations) are recognised when the Group facilitates customers' deposit transactions into their betting accounts. The Group recognises revenue for transaction services net of related winnings.

#### Cost of sales

The Group recognises cost of sales related to the Racetrack operations in which it is the race host. The cost of sales includes direct costs such as purses, hub fees, import fees, pay-outs, and other statutory distributions.

#### **Government grants**

The Group initially recognises government grants, that compensate for expenses incurred, as deferred income at fair value if there is a reasonable assurance that they will be received. They are then recognised in profit or loss on a systematic basis in the periods in which the expenses are recognised.

#### Segmental reporting

Segmental reporting is based on the business areas in accordance with the Group's internal reporting structure, which allows the individual operating segments to be identified by the disparate nature of the principal activity they undertake. The Group determines and presents segments based on the information that internally is provided to the Board and Managing Director, the Group's chief operating decision maker.

An operating segment is a component of the Group and engages in business activities from which it may earn revenues and incur expenses. An operating segment's operating results are reviewed regularly by the Board and Managing Director to make decisions about resources to be allocated to the segment and assess its performance, and for which discrete financial information is available.

### Notes to the Financial Statements continued

### 1.2 Summary of significant accounting policies continued

#### 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, respectively.

Current tax comprises the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the year and any adjustment to the tax payable or receivable in respect of previous years. The amount of current tax payable or receivable is the best estimate of the tax amount expected to be paid or received that reflects uncertainty related to income taxes, if any. It is measured using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date. Current tax also includes any tax arising from dividends. Current tax assets and liabilities are offset only if certain criteria are met.

Deferred income tax is recognised on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the consolidated financial statements. However, deferred tax liabilities are not recognised if they arise from the initial recognition of goodwill; deferred tax is not accounted for if it arises from initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction other than a business combination that at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss. Deferred tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date and are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled.

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 differences can be utilised.

Deferred income tax liabilities are provided on taxable temporary differences arising from investments in subsidiaries except for deferred income tax liability, where the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference is controlled by the Group and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Only where there is an agreement in place that gives the Group the ability to control the reversal of the temporary difference is the liability not recognised.

Deferred income tax assets are recognised on deductible temporary differences arising from investments in subsidiaries only to the extent that it is probable the temporary difference will reverse in the future and there is sufficient taxable profit available against which the temporary difference can be utilised.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when the deferred income taxes, assets and liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the same taxable entity or different taxable entities where there is an intention to settle the balances on a net basis.

### Intangible assets — goodwill

Goodwill arises on the acquisition of subsidiaries and represents the excess of the consideration transferred over the Group's interest in net fair value of the net identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of the acquiree and the fair value of the non-controlling interest in the acquiree.

For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill acquired in a business combination is allocated to each of the cash-generating units ("CGUs"), or groups of CGUs, that is expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination. Each unit or group of units to which the goodwill is allocated represents the lowest level within the entity at which the goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes. Goodwill is monitored at the operating segment level.

Goodwill impairment reviews are undertaken annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate a potential impairment. The carrying value of goodwill is compared to the recoverable amount, which is the higher of value in use and the fair value less costs of disposal. Any impairment is recognised immediately as an expense and is not subsequently reversed.

#### Intangible assets — other

### (a) Trademarks and licences

Separately acquired trademarks and licences are shown at historical cost. Trademarks and licences acquired in a business combination are recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. Trademarks and licences have a finite useful life and are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation. Amortisation is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate the cost of trademarks and licences over their estimated useful lives of three years. Renewal costs are expensed in the year they relate to.

Acquired computer software licences are capitalised on the basis of the costs incurred to acquire and bring to use the specific software. These costs are amortised over their estimated useful lives of three years.

### Notes to the Financial Statements continued

### 1.2 Summary of significant accounting policies continued

Intangible assets — other continued

(b) Website design and development costs

Costs associated with maintaining websites are recognised as an expense as incurred. Development costs that are directly attributable to the design and testing of identifiable and unique websites controlled by the Group are recognised as intangible assets when the following criteria are met:

- it is technically feasible to complete the website so that it will be available for use;
- management intends to complete the website and use it;
- there is an ability to use the website;
- it can be demonstrated how the website will generate probable future economic benefits;
- adequate technical, financial and other resources to complete the development and to use the website are available; and
- the expenditure attributable to the website during its development can be reliably measured.

Directly attributable costs that are capitalised as part of the website include the website employee costs and an appropriate portion of relevant overheads.

Other development expenditures that do not meet these criteria are recognised as an expense as incurred. Development costs previously recognised as an expense are not recognised as an asset in a subsequent period.

Website development costs recognised as assets are amortised over their estimated useful lives, which do not exceed three years.

### Property, equipment and motor vehicles

Items of property, equipment and motor vehicles are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation (see below) and impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the income statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the financial position date. 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. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate the cost of property, equipment and motor vehicles over their estimated useful lives.

The estimated useful lives of property, equipment and motor vehicles for current and comparative periods are as follows:Plant and equipment3 yearsMotor vehicles5 years

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised within 'Other gains/(losses) – net' in the income statement.

### Share-based payment expense

The Group operates an equity-settled, share-based compensation plan, under which the entity receives services from employees as consideration for equity instruments (options) of the Group. The fair value of the employee services received in exchange for the grant of the options is recognised as an expense. The total amount to be expensed is determined by reference to the fair value of the options granted:

- including any market performance conditions (for example, an entity's share price); and
- excluding the impact of any service and non-market performance vesting conditions (for example, profitability, sales growth targets and remaining an employee of the entity over a specified time-period).

Non-market performance and service conditions are included in assumptions about the number of options that are expected to vest. The total expense is recognised over the vesting period, which is the period over which all of the specified vesting conditions are to be satisfied.

At the end of each reporting period, the Group revises its estimates of the number of options that are expected to vest based on the non-market vesting conditions. It recognises the impact of the revision to original estimates, if any, in the income statement, with a corresponding adjustment to equity.

When the options are exercised, the Company issues new shares. The proceeds received net of any directly attributable transaction costs are credited to share capital (nominal value) and share premium.

### Notes to the Financial Statements continued

### 1.2 Summary of significant accounting policies continued

#### Equity

Share capital is determined using the nominal value of shares that have been issued.

Equity settled share-based employee remuneration is credited to the share option reserve until related stock options are exercised. On exercise or lapse, amounts recognised in the share option reserve are taken to share capital.

Retained earnings include all current and prior period results as determined in the income statement and any other gains or losses recognised in the Statement of Changes in Equity.

#### **Financial instruments**

#### **Recognition and measurement**

Non-derivative financial instruments include trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents, bonds and deposits, borrowings and trade and other payables.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised on the Group's balance sheet when the Group becomes party to the contractual terms of the instrument. Transaction costs are included in the initial measurement of financial instruments, except financial instruments classified as at fair value through profit and loss. The subsequent measurement of financial instruments is dealt with below.

#### Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are defined as cash in bank and in hand as well as bank deposits, money held for processors and cash balances held on behalf of players. Cash equivalents are held for the purpose of meeting short-term cash commitments rather than for investment or other purposes.

#### Bonds and deposits

Bonds and deposits are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment.

#### Borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings and overdrafts are recorded at the proceeds received net of direct issue costs. Finance charges, including premiums payable on settlement or redemption and direct issue costs are charged on an accrual basis using the effective interest method and are added to the carrying amount of the instrument.

#### Trade and other payables

Trade payables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### Impairment of financial assets

The Group uses an impairment model that applies to financial assets measured at amortised cost and contract assets and is detailed below. Financial assets at amortised cost include trade receivables, cash and cash equivalents, bonds and deposits.

#### Performing financial assets

#### Stage 1

From initial recognition of a financial asset to the date on which an asset has experienced a significant increase in credit risk relative to its initial recognition, a stage 1 loss allowance is recognised equal to the credit losses expected to result from its default occurring over the earlier of the next 12 months or its maturity date ('12-month ECL').

#### Stage 2

Following a significant increase in credit risk relative to the initial recognition of the financial asset, a stage 2 loss allowance is recognised equal to the credit losses expected from all possible default events over the remaining lifetime of the asset ('Lifetime ECL'). The assessment of whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk requires considerable judgment, based on the lifetime probability of default ('PD'). Any financial asset that had been outstanding for greater than 90 days would be assessed on an individual basis to determine if it qualified as a significant increase in credit risk. Stage 1 and 2 allowances are held against performing loans; the main difference between stage 1 and stage 2 allowances is the time horizon. Stage 1 allowances are estimated using the PD with a maximum period of 12 months, while stage 2 allowances are estimated using the PD over the remaining lifetime of the asset.

### Notes to the Financial Statements continued

1.2 Summary of significant accounting policies continued

Financial instruments continued Impairment of financial assets continued

Impaired financial assets

Stage 3

When a financial asset is considered to be credit-impaired, the allowance for credit losses ('ACL') continues to represent lifetime expected credit losses, however, interest income is calculated based on the amortised cost of the asset, net of the loss allowance, rather than its gross carrying amount.

The Group applies the ECL model to two main types of financial assets that are measured at amortised cost:

Trade receivables, to which the simplified approach (provision matrix) prescribed by IFRS 9 is applied. This approach requires the recognition of a Lifetime ECL allowance on day one.

Other financial assets at amortised cost, to which the general three stage model (described above) is applied, whereby a 12month ECL is recognised initially and the balance is monitored for significant increases in credit risk which triggers the recognition of a Lifetime ECL allowance.

ECLs are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. ECLs for financial assets that are not credit-impaired at the reporting date are measured as the present value of all cash shortfalls (i.e. the difference between the cash flows due in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the company expects to receive). ECLs for financial assets that are credit-impaired at the reporting date are measured as the difference between the gross carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows. ECLs are discounted at the effective interest rate of the financial asset which is 0% for all financial assets at amortised cost. The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Group is exposed to credit risk. The measurement of ECLs considers information about past events and current conditions, as well as supportable information about future events and economic conditions. The Group reviews its impairment methodology for estimating the ECLs, taking into account forward-looking information in determining the appropriate level of allowance. In addition, it identifies indicators and set up procedures for monitoring for significant increases in credit risk.

### Leases

At inception of a contract, the Group assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

### i. As a lessee

The Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement/modification date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, and subsequently at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment loss and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability.

The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the end of the lease term.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted at the Group's applicable incremental borrowing rate (the rate implicit in the lease cannot be determined). The Group has measured the incremental borrowing as equal to external borrowing rates. The lease liability is subsequently increased by the interest cost of the lease liability and decreased by the lease payment made. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, a change in the estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, or as appropriate, changes in the assessment of whether a purchase or extension option is reasonably certain not to be exercised.

The Group has applied judgment to determine the lease term for some lease contracts in which it is a lessee that include renewal options. The assessment of whether the Group is reasonably certain to exercise such options impacts the lease term, which affects the amount of lease liabilities and right of use assets recognised. Extension/renewal is only available to lessor on terms and conditions to be agreed between both parties.

The Group receives rent concessions on its racetrack lease when, due to external factors, the number of days raced in a season is lower than the actual number of days scheduled to be raced.

The Group determines its incremental borrowing rate by obtaining interest rates from various external financing sources and makes certain adjustments to reflect the terms of the lease and the type of the asset leased.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise the following:

- Fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payments;

### Notes to the Financial Statements continued

### 1.2 Summary of significant accounting policies continued

Leases continued

i. As a lessee continued

- Variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date;

- Amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee; and

- The exercise price under a purchase option that the Group is reasonably certain to exercise, lease payments in an optional renewal period if the Group is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, and penalties for early termination of a lease unless the Group is reasonably certain not to terminate early.

The lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, if there is a change in the Group's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, if the Group changes its assessment of whether it will exercise a purchase, extension or termination option or if there is a revised in-substance fixed lease payment.

When the lease liability is remeasured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-ofuse asset or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

The Group presents right-of-use assets that do not meet the definition of investment property in 'property, equipment and motor vehicles' and lease liabilities in 'loans, borrowings and lease liabilities' in the statement of financial position.

### Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Group has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for property rental costs that do not meet the definition of leases under IFRS 16. The Group recognises these costs as an expense on a straight-line basis.

### Employee benefits

(a) Pension obligations

The Group does not operate any post-employment schemes, including both defined benefit and defined contribution pension plans.

### (b) Short-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefits, such as salaries, paid absences, and other benefits, are accounted for on an accrual's basis over the period in which employees have provided services in the year. All expenses related to employee benefits are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income in operating costs.

### (c) Profit sharing and bonus plans

The Group recognises a liability and an expense for bonuses and profit sharing, based on a formula that takes into consideration the profit attributable to the Company's shareholders after certain adjustments. The Group recognises a provision where contractually obliged or where there is a past practice that has created a constructive obligation. Any recognised liability would be settled within 12 months of the year end.

#### Standards and interpretations in issue not yet adopted

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are not yet effective for the year and have not been applied in preparing these consolidated financial statements. The Directors do not expect the adoption of the standards and interpretations to have a material impact on the Group's financial statements in the period of initial application.

#### Standards Effective date (accounting periods commencing on or after) 1 January 2022 Onerous Contracts - Cost of Fulfilling a Contract (Amendments to IAS 37) 2022 Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2018 - 2020 Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use (Amendments to IAS 16) Reference to the Conceptual Framework (Amendments to IFRS 3) **IFRS 17 Insurance Contracts** 1 January 2023 Classification of liabilities as current or non-current (Amendments to IAS 1) Amendments to IFRS 17 Disclosure of Accounting Policies (Amendments to IAS1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2) Definition of Accounting Estimate (Amendments to IFRS 8) Deferred Tax related Asset and Liabilities Arising from a Single Transaction - Amendments to IAS 12 Income Taxes Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Ventures (Amendments to FRS 10 and IAS 28)

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

## 2 Operating Segments

### A. Basis for segmentation

The Group has the below two operating segments, which are its reportable segments. The segments offer different services in relation to various forms of pari-mutuel racing, which are managed separately due to the nature of their activities.

#### Reportable segments and operations provided

Racetrack operations – hosting of races through the management and operation of a racetrack facility, enabling patrons to attend and wager on horse racing, as well as utilise simulcast facilities.

ADW operations – provision of online ADW services to enable customers to wager into global racetrack betting pools.

The Group's Board of Directors review the internal management reports of the operating segment on a monthly basis.

#### B. Information about reportable segments

Information relating to the reportable segments is set out below. Segment revenue along with segment profit / (loss) before tax are used to measure performance as management considers this information to be a relevant indicator for evaluating the performance of the segments.

	<u>Reportable</u>	Reportable segments				
	Racetrack 2022 US\$000	ADW 2022 US\$000	Corporate operating costs 2022 US\$000	Total 2022 US\$000		
External revenues	51,225	2,387	-	53,612		
Segment revenue	51,225	2,387	-	53,612		
Segment profit / (loss) before tax	259	(438)	(195)	(374)		
Interest expense	(22)	(6)	(98)	(126)		
Depreciation and amortisation	(88)	(44)	(3)	(135)		
Other material non-cash items:						
- Impairment movement on trade receivables	-	11	-	11		
Segment assets	2,324	3,387	1,336	7,047		
Segment liabilities	1,522	2,779	1,428	5,729		

	<u>Reportab</u>	Reportable segments				
	Racetrack 2021 US\$000	ADW 2021 US\$000	Corporate operating costs 2021 US\$000	Total 2021 US\$000		
External revenues	52,640	3,028	_	55,668		
Segment revenue	52,640	3,028	-	55,668		
Segment profit before tax	390	424	10	824		
Interest expense	(23)	(4)	(98)	(125)		
Depreciation and amortisation	(79)	(66)	-	(145)		
Other material non-cash items:						
- Impairment movement on trade receivables	_	7	_	7		
Segment assets	2,138	3,915	2,301	8,354		
Segment liabilities	1,409	3,812	1,441	6,662		

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

## 2 Operating Segments continued

## C. Reconciliations of information on reportable segments to the amounts reported in the financial statements

	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
i. Revenues		
Total revenue for reportable segments	53,612	55,668
Consolidated revenue	53,612	55,668
ii. (Loss) / profit before tax		
Total (loss) / profit before tax for reportable segments	(179)	814
(Loss) / profit before tax for other segments	(195)	10
Consolidated (loss) / profit before tax	(374)	824
iii. Assets		
Total assets for reportable segments	5,711	6,053
Assets for other segments	1,336	2,301
Consolidated total assets	7,047	8,354
iv. Liabilities		
Total liabilities for reportable segments	4,301	5,221
Liabilities for other segments	1,428	1,441
Consolidated total liabilities	5,729	6,662
v. Other material items		
Interest expense	(126)	(125)
Depreciation and amortisation	(135)	(145)
Impairment movement on trade receivables	11	7

There were no reconciling items noted between Segment information and the Financial Statements.

## D. Geographic information

## i. Revenues

The below table analyses the geographic location of the customer base of the operating segments.

		2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Revenue			
Racetrack operations	North America	51,225	52,640
ADW operations	North America	1,833	2,294
ADW operations	British Isles	527	734
ADW operations	Caribbean	27	_
		53,612	55,668

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

#### 2 Operating Segments continued

D. Geographic information continued ii. Non-current assets

The geographical information below analyses the Group's non-current assets by the Company's Country of Domicile (Isle of Man) and the United States of America. Information is based on geographical location of the Group's assets.

	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
United States of America	731	386
Isle of Man	4	6
	735	392

Non-current assets exclude financial instruments.

## 3 Operating (loss) / profit

Operating (loss) / profit is stated after charging:	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Auditors' remuneration — audit	153	136
Depreciation of property, equipment and motor vehicles	128	119
Amortisation of intangible assets	7	26
Exchange losses / (gains)	7	(2)
Directors' fees	96	73

## 4 Finance costs

Finance costs	(126)	(125)
Loan interest payable	(126)	(125)
	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000

## 5 Staff numbers and cost

	2022	2021
Average number of employees – Pari-mutuel and Racetrack Operations	52	52
The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:		
Pari-mutuel and Racetrack Operations	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Wages and salaries	1,707	1,676
Social security costs	127	116
	1,834	1,792

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

### 6 Income tax expense

## (a) Current and Deferred Tax Expenses

The current and deferred tax expenses for the year were US\$Nil (2021: US\$Nil). Despite having made losses, no deferred tax was recognised as there is no reasonable expectation that the Group will recover the resultant deferred tax assets.

## (b) Tax Rate Reconciliation

	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
(Loss) / profit before tax	(374)	824
Tax charge at IOM standard rate (0%)	-	_
Adjusted for:		
Tax credit for US tax (losses) gains (at 21%)	(91)	118
Add back deferred tax losses / (gains) not recognised	91	(118)
Tax charge for the year	_	-

The maximum deferred tax asset that could be recognised at year end is approximately US\$985,000 (2021: US\$894,000). The Group has not recognised any asset as it might not be recoverable within the allowed period.

## 7 Earnings per ordinary share

The calculation of the basic earnings per share is based on the earnings attributable to ordinary shareholders divided by the weighted average number of shares in issue during the year.

The calculation of diluted earnings per share is based on the basic earnings per share, adjusted to allow for the issue of shares, on the assumed conversion of all dilutive share options.

An adjustment for the dilutive effect of share options in the current period has not been reflected in the calculation of the diluted profit per share, as the effect would have been anti-dilutive.

	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
(Loss) / profit for the year	(374)	824
	No.	No.
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	393,338,310	393,338,310
Dilutive element of share options if exercised (note 17)	14,000,000	14,000,000
Diluted number of ordinary shares	407,338,310	407,338,310
Basic earnings per share (cents)	(0.10)	0.21
Diluted earnings per share (cents)	(0.09)	0.20

The earnings applied are the same for both basic and diluted earnings calculations per share as there are no dilutive effects to be applied.

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

## 8 Intangible assets

	Goodwill	Software & development Goodwill costs				Тс	otal
	Group US\$000	Group US\$000	Company US\$000	Group US\$000	Company US\$000		
Cost							
Balance at 1 June 2020	177	598	15	775	15		
Additions during the year	_	8	-	8	_		
Balance at 31 May 2021	177	606	15	783	15		
Balance at 1 June 2021	177	606	15	783	15		
Additions during the year	_	6	-	6	-		
Balance at 31 May 2022	177	612	15	789	15		
Amortisation and Impairment							
Balance at 1 June 2020	177	568	15	745	15		
Amortisation for the year	_	26	-	26	_		
Balance at 31 May 2021	177	594	15	771	15		
Balance at 1 June 2021	177	594	15	771	15		
Amortisation for the year	_	7	-	7	-		
Balance at 31 May 2022	177	601	15	778	15		
Carrying amounts							
At 1 June 2020	_	30	_	30	_		
At 31 May 2021	-	12	_	12	_		
At 31 May 2022	-	11	_	11	_		

The Group reviews intangible assets annually for impairment or more frequently if there are indications that the intangible assets may be impaired (see note 1).

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

## 9 Property, equipment and motor vehicles

Group	Computer Equipment US\$000	Fixtures, Fittings & Track Equipment US\$000	Motor Vehicles US\$000	Right-of- use Assets US\$000	Total US\$000
Cost					
Balance at 1 June 2020	162	241	50	473	926
Additions during the year	4	80	_	_	84
Balance at 31 May 2021	166	321	50	473	1,010
Balance at 1 June 2021	166	321	50	473	1,010
Additions during the year	-	_	_	472	472
Balance at 31 May 2022	166	321	50	945	1,482
Depreciation					
Balance at 1 June 2020	155	241	17	98	511
Charge for the year	5	9	7	98	119
Balance at 31 May 2021	160	250	24	196	630
Balance at 1 June 2021	160	250	24	196	630
Charge for the year	3	18	7	100	128
Balance at 31 May 2022	163	268	31	296	758
Carrying amounts					
At 1 June 2020	7	-	33	375	415
At 31 May 2021	6	71	26	277	380
At 31 May 2022	3	53	19	649	724

Company	Computer Equipment US\$000	Fixtures & Fittings US\$000	Total US\$000
Cost			
Balance at 1 June 2020	33	80	113
Additions during the year	4	_	4
Balance at 31 May 2021	37	80	117
Balance at 1 June 2021	37	80	117
Additions during the year	-	_	_
Balance at 31 May 2022	37	80	117

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

## 9 Property, equipment and motor vehicles continued

Company	Computer Equipment US\$000	Fixtures & Fittings US\$000	Total US\$000
Depreciation			
Balance at 1 June 2020	26	80	106
Charge for the year	5	-	5
Balance at 31 May 2021	31	80	111
Balance at 1 June 2021	31	80	111
Charge for the year	3	-	3
Balance at 31 May 2022	34	80	114
Carrying amounts			
At 1 June 2020	7	-	7
At 31 May 2021	6	-	6
At 31 May 2022	3	-	3

## **10 Investments**

Investments in subsidiaries are held at cost. Details of investments at 31 May 2022 are as follows:

Subsidiaries	Country of incorporation	Activity	Holding (%)
WatchandWager.com Limited	Isle of Man	Operation of interactive wagering totaliser hub	100
WatchandWager.com LLC	United States of America	Operation of interactive wagering totaliser hub and harness racetrack	100
Technical Facilities & Services Limited	Isle of Man	Dormant	100
betinternet.com (IOM) Limited	Isle of Man	Dormant	100

Technical Facilities & Services Limited was dissolved after the year end. A wholly owned subsidiary, B. E. Global Services Ltd was dissolved in May 2022.

## 11 Bonds and deposits

	Group		Com	ipany
	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Bonds and deposits which expire within one year	883	882	-	_
Bonds and deposits which expire within one to two years	-	_	-	_
Bonds and deposits which expire within two to five years	100	101	_	_
	983	983	_	_

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

### 11 Bonds and deposits continued

Cash bonds of US\$875,000 have been paid as security deposits in relation to various US State ADW licences (2021: US\$875,000). These cash bonds are held in trust accounts used exclusively for cash collateral, with financial institutions which have been screened for their financial strength and capitalization ratio. The financial institutions have a credit rating of A-Excellent from AM Best credit rating agency. Therefore, these bonds are considered to be fully recoverable. A rent deposit of US\$100,000 is held by California Exposition & State Fair and is for a term of 8 years (2021: US\$100,000). This is held by an entity of the Californian state government and is therefore considered fully recoverable. Rent and other security deposits total US\$8,227 (2021: US\$8,315). These deposits are repayable upon completion of the relevant lease term, under the terms of legally binding agreements. The fair value of the bonds and deposits approximates to the carrying value.

#### 12 Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash

	Group		Co	mpany
	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Cash and cash equivalents – company and other funds	3,062	3,238	189	312
Restricted cash – protected player funds	1,077	1,845	1,077	1,830
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	4,139	5,083	1,266	2,142

The Group holds funds for operational requirements and for its non-Isle of Man customers, shown as 'company and other funds' and on behalf of its Isle of Man regulated customers and certain USA state customers, shown as 'protected player funds'.

Protected player funds are held in fully protected client accounts within an Isle of Man regulated bank and in segregated accounts within a USA regulated bank.

### 13 Trade and other receivables

	Group		Company	
	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Trade receivables	395	907	-	_
Amounts due from Group undertakings	-	_	757	98
Other receivables and prepayments	795	989	64	52
	1,190	1,896	821	150

Included within trade receivables are impairment provisions of US\$67,293 (see note 21), (2021: US\$78,002). Amounts due from Group undertakings are unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand.

### 14 Trade and other payables

	Group		Com	npany
	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Trade payables	659	686	7	33
Amounts due to customers	2,037	2,968	-	_
Taxes and national insurance	16	15	2	2
Accruals and other payables	928	1,326	69	56
	3,640	4,995	78	91

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

## 15 Deferred income (Government Grant)

The Group received a Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP") loan for US\$319,994, under the provisions of the US CARES Act in May 2020 to support certain incurred expenses. The provisions of the loan allowed for an application for loan forgiveness, directly relating to expenditure incurred in the 24-week period from the date of the loan advance, of which at least 60% must be on payroll related expenditure. The Group had ascertained reasonable assurance that the loan should be forgiven in its entirety and the application for forgiveness was submitted in June 2021, with the application agreed by the lending bank. The grant was recognised in profit or loss in the periods that the relevant expenses were recognised. After final review by the Small Business Administration, it was determined that the lending bank had calculated and advanced a loan amount greater than it should have. The resultant difference of US\$48,427 is a recognised as a loan (financial liability) at year end (see note 16).

#### 16 Loans, borrowings and lease liabilities Current liabilities

	Group		C	Company	
	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000	
Unsecured loans (current portion)	20	6	-	-	
Lease liabilities (current portion)	89	66	-	-	
Secured loans - Galloway Limited	-	500	-	500	
	109	572	-	500	

## **Non-current liabilities**

	Group		Company	
	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Unsecured loans (non-current portion)	47	19	-	_
Lease liabilities (non-current portion)	583	226	-	_
Secured loans - Galloway Limited	1,350	850	1,350	850
	1,980	1,095	1,350	850

### Terms and repayment schedule

	Nominal interest rate	Year of maturity	2022 Total US\$000	2021 Total US\$000
Unsecured loans	1.00-8.90%	2025	67	25
Lease liabilities	6.00-9.50%	2023-30	672	292
Secured loan – Galloway Limited*	7.75%	2027	500	500
Secured loan – Galloway Limited*	7.00%	2024	350	350
Secured loan – Galloway Limited*	7.00%	2025	500	500
Total loans and borrowings			2,089	1,667

The Group received an unsecured Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP") loan for US\$48,427, which matures on 7 May 2025 and attracts interest at 1% per annum (see note 15).

The secured loans from Galloway Limited are secured over the unencumbered assets of the Group.

\*Based on current interest rates, the estimated fair value of the Galloway Limited loans is US\$1.315m.

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

16 Loans, borrowings and lease liabilities continued

## Reconciliation of movements of liabilities to cash flows arising from financing activities

	Other loans and borrowings US\$000	Lease liabilities US\$000	Total US\$000
Balance at 1 June 2020	1,380	384	1,764
Changes from financing cash flows			
Proceeds from loans, borrowings and lease liabilities	_	24	24
Repayment of borrowings	(5)	_	(5)
Payment of lease liabilities	_	(111)	(111)
Interest paid	(101)	(24)	(125)
Total changes from financing cash flows	(106)	(111)	(217)
Other changes			
Liability-related			
Rent concession received	-	(5)	(5)
Interest expense	101	24	125
Total liability-related other changes	101	19	120
Balance at 31 May 2021	1,375	292	1,667
Balance at 1 June 2021	1,375	292	1,667
Changes from financing cash flows			
Proceeds from loans, borrowings and lease liabilities	48	25	73
Repayment of borrowings	(6)	_	(6)
Payment of lease liabilities	_	(115)	(115)
Interest paid	(101)	(25)	(126)
Total changes from financing cash flows	(59)	(115)	(174)
Other changes			
Liability-related			
New leases	_	472	472
Rent concession received	_	(2)	(2)
Interest expense	101	25	126
Total liability-related other changes	101	495	596
Balance at 31 May 2022	1,417	672	2,089

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

## 17 Share capital

	No.	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Allotted, issued and fully paid			
At beginning and close of year: ordinary shares of 1p each	393,338,310	6,334	6,334
At 31 May: ordinary shares of 1p each	393,338,310	6,334	6,334

The authorised share capital of the Company is US\$9,619,000 divided into 600,000,000 ordinary shares of £0.01 each (2021: US\$9,619,000 divided into 600,000,000 ordinary shares of £0.01 each).

### Options

Movements in share options during the year ended 31 May 2022 were as follows:

	110.
At 31 May 2021 – 1p ordinary shares	14,000,000
Options granted	_
Options lapsed	-
Options exercised	-
At 31 May 2022 – 1p ordinary shares	14,000,000

During 2016 the Group established an equity-settled share-based option program. The fair value of options granted is recognised as an expense, with a corresponding increase in equity. The fair value is measured at grant date using a Black-Scholes model and is spread over the vesting period. The amount recognised in equity is adjusted to reflect the actual number of share options which are expected to vest. By taking into consideration the volatility of the shares over the 3 years prior to granting, the volatility of the options is calculated at 75%, with a risk-free interest rate of 0.86%.

The options were issued on 3 March 2016 to Ed Comins, Managing Director of the Group. The fair value of each option on the grant date was estimated as being £0.0022. The share options vested on 3 March 2019 after Ed Comins had remained in the employment of the Group for 3 years from when the options were granted. The options are able to be exercised from 3 March 2019 and expire on 2 March 2026. The weighted average exercise price of all options is £0.01.

The charge for share options recorded in profit and loss for the year was US\$Nil (2021: US\$Nil). Since the grant date, the total charge in relation to the share options was US\$42,126.

### **18 Capital commitments**

As at 31 May 2022, the Group had no capital commitments (2021: US\$Nil).

### **19 Leases**

### A. Leases as lessee

The Group leases office and racetrack facilities. The office facility is leased until May 2023, with an average length of renewal of between two to three years. The racetrack facility is leased until May 2030, with extensions or renewals typically ranging between three to five years.

The Group also leases additional office facilities with contract terms of no more than one year. These leases are short-term and the Group has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for these leases.

Information about leases for which the Group is a lessee is presented below.

### i. Right-of-use assets

Right-of-use assets related to leased properties that do not meet the definition of investment property are presented within property, equipment and motor vehicles.

No

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

19 Leases continued

- A. Leases as lessee continued
- i. Right of use assets continued

Group	Property US\$000	Total US\$000
Cost		
Balance at 1 June 2020	473	473
Additions during the year	-	-
Balance at 31 May 2021	473	473
Balance at 1 June 2021	473	473
Additions during the year	472	472
Balance at 31 May 2022	945	945
Depreciation		
Balance at 1 June 2020	98	98
Charge for the year	98	98
Balance at 31 May 2021	196	196
Balance at 1 June 2021	196	196
Charge for the year	100	100
Balance at 31 May 2022	296	296
Carrying amounts		
At 1 June 2020	375	375
At 31 May 2021	277	277
At 31 May 2022	649	649

## ii. Amounts recognised in profit or loss

	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Interest on lease liabilities	25	24
Depreciation expense	100	98
Rent concessions received	(2)	(5)
Expenses relating to short-term leases	71	69

## iii. Amounts recognised in statement of cash flows

	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Payment of lease liabilities - principal	(92)	(92)
Payment of lease liabilities - interest	(25)	(24)
Rent concessions received	2	5

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

## 20 Related party transactions

Identity of related parties

The Parent Company has a related party relationship with its subsidiaries (see note 10), and with its Directors and executive officers and with Burnbrae Ltd (significant shareholder).

#### Transactions with and between subsidiaries

Transactions with and between the subsidiaries in the Group, which have been eliminated on consolidation, are considered to be related party transactions.

#### Transactions with entities with significant influence over the Group

Rental and service charges of US\$46,914 (2021: US\$45,652) and Directors' fees of US\$27,193 (2021: US\$26,461) were charged in the year by Burnbrae Limited, of which Denham Eke is a common Director. The Group also had loans of US\$1,350,000 (2021: US\$1,350,000) from Galloway Limited, a company related to Burnbrae Limited by common ownership and Directors (note 16).

#### Transactions with key management personnel

The total amounts for Directors' remuneration were as follows:

	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Emoluments — salaries, bonuses and taxable benefits	345	366
— fees	96	73
	441	439

### **Directors' Emoluments**

	Basic salary US\$000	Fees US\$000	Bonus US\$000	Termination payments US\$000	Benefits US\$000	2022 Total US\$000	2021 Total US\$000
Executive							
Ed Comins	320	_	_	_	25	345	366
Non-executive							
Denham Eke*	—	27	_	_	_	27	26
Nigel Caine	_	_	_	_	_	_	20
Sir James Mellon	_	21	_	_	_	21	20
Richard Roberts	_	48	_	_	_	48	7
Aggregate emoluments	320	96		_	25	441	439

\* Paid to Burnbrae Limited.

14,000,000 share options were issued to Ed Comins (see note 17) during 2016.

#### 21 Financial risk management

#### **Capital structure**

The Group's capital structure is as follows:

	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Cash and cash equivalents	3,062	3,238
Loans and similar liabilities	(1,417)	(1,375)
Net funds	1,645	1,863
Shareholders' equity	(1,318)	(1,692)
Capital employed	327	171

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

### 21 Financial risk management continued

#### Capital structure continued

The Group's policy is to maintain as strong a capital base as possible, insofar as can be sustained due to the fluctuations in the net results of the Group and the inherent effect this has on the capital structure.

The Group's principal financial instruments comprise cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables and payables that arise directly from its operations.

The main purpose of these financial instruments is to finance the Group's operations. The existence of the financial instruments exposes the Group to a number of financial risks, which are described in more detail below.

The principal risks which the Group is exposed to relate to liquidity risks, credit risks and foreign exchange risks.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will be unable to meet its financial obligations as they fall due.

The Group's objective is to maintain continuity of funding through trading and share issues but to also retain flexibility through the use of short-term loans if required.

Management controls and monitors the Group's cash flow on a regular basis, including forecasting future cash flow. Banking facilities are kept under review to ensure they meet the Group's requirements. Funds equivalent to customer balances are held in designated bank accounts where applicable to ensure that Isle of Man Gambling Supervision Commission player protection principles are met. Other customer balances are covered by cash funds held within the Group and by receivables due from ADW racetrack settlement partners. The Directors anticipate that the business will maintain sufficient cash flow in the forthcoming period, to meet its immediate financial obligations.

The following are the contractual maturities of financial liabilities:

### 2022

#### **Financial liabilities**

	Carrying amount US\$000	Contractual cash flow US\$000	6 months or less US\$000	Up to 1 year US\$000	1–5 years US\$000	5+ years US\$000
Trade payables	(659)	(659)	(659)	-	-	-
Amounts due to customers	(2,037)	(2,037)	(2,037)	-	-	-
Other payables and loans	(1,899)	(2,214)	(541)	(58)	(1,615)	-
Lease liabilities	(673)	(952)	(26)	(121)	(460)	(345)
	(5,268)	(5,862)	(3,263)	(179)	(2,075)	(345)

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**Financial liabilities** 

	Carrying amount US\$000	Contractual cash flow US\$000	6 months or less US\$000	Up to 1 year US\$000	1–5 years US\$000	5+ years US\$000
Trade payables	(686)	(686)	(686)	_	_	_
Amounts due to customers	(2,968)	(2,968)	(2,968)	_	_	_
Other payables and loans	(2,269)	(2,507)	(947)	(893)	(667)	_
Lease liabilities	(292)	(338)	(13)	(72)	(253)	_
	(6,215)	(6,499)	(4,614)	(965)	(920)	_

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

#### 21 Financial risk management continued Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation.

Impairment losses on financial assets recognised in profit or loss were as follows:

	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Non-credit impaired trade receivables	5	16
Credit impaired trade receivables	62	62
Total impairment losses	67	78

The Group's exposure to credit risk is influenced by the characteristics of the individual racetracks and the settling agents operating on behalf of these tracks. The racetracks themselves are influenced by many factors, including the product they offer, supporting sources of revenue they might generate, such as offering simulcast, slots or sports wagering facilities, current economic conditions, ownership structure, state laws and so on, all of which may affect their liquidity and ability to operate.

The Group limits its exposure to credit risk by regular settling and verification of balances due to and from settling agents, with standard terms of one month. While there is on occasion debt that is slower to be settled, historical settlements for at least the last six years show that of the current trade receivable balance, greater than 99% would be expected to be received.

In addition, the majority of the current Group customers have transacted with the Group for five years or more and none of these customers balances have been specifically impaired in that period.

The Group has continued to take a conservative approach to the assessment of the Weighted Average Loss Rate and maintained rates that are considered to reflect the risk that exists under current market conditions.

The following table provides information about exposure to credit risk and expected credit losses for trade receivables as at 31 May 2022:

2022	Weighted Average Loss Rate (%)	Gross Carrying Amount US\$000	Loss Allowance US\$000	Net Carrying Amount US\$000	Credit Impaired
Current (not past due)	1.00%	374	(4)	370	No
1-30 days past due	2.00%	9	(0)	9	No
31-60 days past due	5.00%	16	(1)	15	No
61-90 days past due	7.00%	(1)	(0)	(1)	No
More than 90 days past due	10.00%	2	(0)	2	No
More than 90 days past due	100.00%	62	(62)	—	Yes
		462	(67)	395	

2021	Weighted Average Loss Rate (%)	Gross Carrying Amount US\$000	Loss Allowance US\$000	Net Carrying Amount US\$000	Credit Impaired
Current (not past due)	1.00%	479	(5)	474	No
1-30 days past due	2.00%	406	(8)	398	No
31-60 days past due	5.00%	10	(1)	9	No
61-90 days past due	7.00%	20	(1)	19	No
More than 90 days past due	10.00%	8	(1)	7	No
More than 90 days past due	100.00%	62	(62)	—	Yes
		985	(78)	907	

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

#### 21 Financial risk management continued

#### Credit risk continued

The Group uses an allowance matrix to measure the ECLs of trade receivables from racetracks and their settling agents, which comprise a moderate number of balances, ranging from small to large. The Group has reviewed its historical losses over the past four years as well as considering current economic conditions in estimating the loss rates and calculating the corresponding loss allowance.

Classes of financial assets — carrying amounts

	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Cash and cash equivalents	3,062	3,238
Bonds and deposits	983	983
Trade and other receivables	1,063	1,766
	5,108	5,987

Generally, the maximum credit risk exposure of financial assets is the carrying amount of the financial assets as shown on the face of the balance sheet (or in the notes to the financial statements). Credit risk, therefore, is only disclosed in circumstances where the maximum potential loss differs significantly from the financial asset's carrying amount.

The maximum exposure to credit risks for receivables in any business segment:

	2022 US\$000	2021 US\$000
Pari-mutuel	1,063	1,766

Of the above receivables, US\$395,000 (2021: US\$907,000) relates to amounts owed from racing tracks. These receivables are actively monitored to avoid significant concentration of credit risk and the Directors consider there to be no significant concentration of credit risk.

The Directors consider that all the above financial assets that are not impaired for each of the reporting dates under review are of good credit quality. The banks have external credit ratings of at least Baa3 from Moody's.

The credit risk for liquid funds and other short-term financial assets is considered negligible, since the counterparties are reputable banks with high-quality external credit ratings.

#### Interest rate risk

The Group finances its operations mainly through capital with limited levels of borrowings. Cash at bank and in hand earns negligible interest at floating rates, based principally on short-term interbank rates.

Any movement in interest rates would not be considered to have any significant impact on net assets at the balance sheet date as the Group and Parent Company do not have floating rate loans payable.

#### Foreign currency risks

The Group operates internationally and is subject to transactional foreign currency exposures, primarily with respect to Pounds Sterling, Hong Kong Dollars and Euros.

The Group does not actively manage the exposures but regularly monitors the Group's currency position and exchange rate movements and makes decisions as appropriate.

At the reporting date the Group had the following exposure:

2022	USD US\$000	GBP US\$000	EUR US\$000	HKD US\$000	Total US\$000
Current assets	5,197	236	85	568	6,086
Current liabilities	(2,705)	(317)	(69)	(642)	(3,733)
Short-term exposure	2,492	(81)	16	(74)	2,353

## Notes to the Financial Statements continued

21 Financial risk management continued Foreign currency risks continued

2021	USD US\$000	GBP US\$000	EUR US\$000	HKD US\$000	Total US\$000
Current assets	6,710	283	78	659	7,730
Current liabilities	(4,778)	(339)	(85)	(700)	(5,902)
Short-term exposure	1,932	(56)	(7)	(41)	1,828

The following table illustrates the sensitivity of the net result for the year and equity with regards to the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities and the US Dollar–Sterling exchange rate, US Dollar–Euro exchange rate and US Dollar–Hong Kong Dollar exchange rate.

A 5% weakening of the US Dollar against the following currencies at 31 May 2022 would have increased / (decreased) equity and profit and loss by the amounts shown below:

2022	GBP US\$000	EUR US\$000	HKD US\$000	Total US\$000
Current assets	12	4	28	44
Current liabilities	(16)	(3)	(32)	(51)
Net assets	(4)	1	(4)	(7)
2021	GBP US\$000	EUR US\$000	HKD US\$000	Total US\$000
Current assets	14	4	33	51
Current liabilities	(17)	(4)	(35)	(56)
Net assets	(3)	_	(2)	(5)

A 5% strengthening of the US Dollar against the above currencies would have had the equal but opposite effect on the above currencies to the amounts shown above on the basis that all other variables remain constant.

### 22 Controlling party and ultimate controlling party

The Directors consider the ultimate controlling party to be Burnbrae Limited and its beneficial owner Jim Mellon by virtue of their combined shareholding of 63.10%.

### 23 Subsequent events

To the knowledge of the Directors, there have been no other material events since the end of the reporting period that require disclosure in the accounts.

## **Notice of Meeting**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of Webis Holdings plc (the "Company") will be held at The Claremont Hotel, 18/19 Loch Promenade, Douglas, Isle of Man, on 30 January 2023 at 10 am for the purpose of transacting the below business.

The Board considers it important that all shareholders should have the opportunity to exercise their voting rights at the AGM. To this end, the Company invites shareholders to complete the voting proxy form as early as possible. Shareholders may also submit questions to the Company Secretary either in writing at the registered office or by email to <u>ir@webisholdingsplc.com</u> prior to the meeting and as early as possible.

## **Ordinary Business**

- 1 To receive and adopt the report of the Directors and the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022.
- 2 To re-elect as a director Denham Eke who retires by rotation and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association.
- 3 To re-elect as a director Katie Errock who retires at the date of the first general meeting following appointment and, being eligible, offers herself for re-election in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association.
- 4 To reappoint KPMG Audit LLC as auditors and to authorise the Directors to determine their remuneration.

## **Special Business**

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions:

### As an Ordinary Resolution

5 That the authority granted by special resolution to the Directors of the Company to allot relevant securities up to an amount equal to but not exceeding the authorised but unissued share capital of the Company for the time being which was passed at the Annual General Meeting of the Company held on 9 December 2002 be renewed pursuant to the power provided by Article 6(C) of the Company's Articles of Association, that such renewal of authority be for the exercise of that power generally and unconditionally and in all respects in the same terms as originally granted, and that such authority shall expire at the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company after the date of passing of this resolution unless renewed, varied or revoked by the Company in General Meeting.

### As a Special Resolution

- The Directors of the Company be and they are hereby empowered pursuant to Article 8 of the Company's Articles of Association (the "Articles") to allot equity securities (as defined in Article 7(H) of the Articles) pursuant to the authority conferred on the Directors to allot relevant securities by Resolution 4 above as if Article 7(A) of the Articles did not apply to such allotment PROVIDED THAT this power shall be limited to:
  - (i) the allotment of equity securities in connection with a rights issue in favour of ordinary shareholders where the equity securities are issued proportionally (or as nearly as may be) to the respective number of

ordinary shares held by such shareholders (but subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient to deal with issues arising under the laws of any territory or the requirements of any regulatory body or any stock exchange in any territory or the fixing of exchange rates applicable to any such equity securities where such equity securities are to be issued to shareholders in more than one territory, or legal or practical problems in respect of overseas shareholders, fractional entitlements or otherwise howsoever);

- (ii) the allotment of equity securities to holders of any options under any share option scheme of the Company for the time being in force, on the exercise by them of any such options; and
- (iii) the allotment (otherwise than pursuant to paragraphs
   (i) or (ii) above) of equity securities up to a maximum aggregate nominal value equal to 50% of the issued ordinary share capital of the Company for the time being.

The power hereby conferred shall expire at the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company after the date of passing of this resolution unless such power shall be renewed in accordance with and subject to the provisions of the said Article 8 of the Articles, save that the Company may before such expiry make an offer or agreement which would or might require equity securities to be allotted after such expiry and the Directors may allot equity securities pursuant to such offer or agreement as if the power conferred hereby had not expired.

## As Ordinary Resolutions

- 7 That in accordance with Article 12 of the Company's Articles of Association and with Section 13 of the Companies Act 1992 the Company be generally and unconditionally authorised to make market purchases (as defined by Section 13(2) of the Companies Act 1992) of ordinary shares of 1 pence each in its capital, provided that:
  - (a) the maximum number of shares that may be acquired is 39,333,831;
  - (b) the minimum price that may be paid for the shares is 1 pence;
  - (c) the maximum price that may be paid is, for a share the Company contracts to purchase on any day, a sum equal to 105% of the average of the upper and lower quotations on the Daily Official List of the London Stock Exchange for the ordinary shares of the Company on the five business days immediately preceding that day; and
  - (d) the authority conferred by this resolution shall expire at the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company after the date of the passing of this resolution unless renewed, varied or revoked by the Company in General Meeting, but not so as to prejudice the completion of a purchase contracted before that date.

## Notice of Meeting continued

### As Ordinary Resolutions continued

8 That the Report of the Remuneration Committee be received and adopted.

By order of the Board

Katie Errock Company Secretary 28 November 2022 Registered Office: Viking House Nelson Street, Douglas Isle of Man, IM1 2AH

### Notes

1 Members are entitled to appoint a proxy to exercise all or any of their rights to attend and vote on their behalf at the meeting. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company. A shareholder may appoint more than one proxy in relation to the Annual General Meeting provided that each proxy is appointed to exercise the rights attached to a different share or shares held by that shareholder. To appoint more than one proxy you may photocopy the proxy form accompanying this notice. Please indicate the proxy holder's name and the number of shares in relation to which they are authorised to act as your proxy (which, in aggregate, should not exceed the number of shares held by you). Please also indicate if the proxy instruction is one of multiple instructions being given. All forms must be signed and should be returned together in the same envelope.

- 2. To be valid, the form of proxy and the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed - or a notarially certified or office copy of such power or authority - must be lodged at the following postal address of the Company's registrars, PXS 1, Link Group, Unit 10, Central Square, 29 Wellington Street, Leeds, LS1 4DL by hand, or sent by post, so as to be received not less than 48 hours before the time fixed for the holding of the meeting or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be).
- 3. The completion and return of a form of proxy will not preclude a member from attending in person at the meeting and voting should he wish to do so.
- 4. In the case of a corporation, the form of proxy must be executed under its common seal or the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised.
- 5. A member may appoint a proxy of his or her own choice. If the name of the member's choice is not entered in the space provided on the form of proxy, the return of the form of proxy duly signed will authorise the chairman of the meeting to act as that member's proxy.
- 6. To abstain from voting on a resolution, select the relevant 'withheld' box. A vote withheld is not a vote in law and will not be counted in the calculation of votes for or against the resolution. If no voting indication is given, your proxy will vote or abstain from voting at his or her discretion. Your proxy will vote (or abstain from voting) as he or she thinks fit in relation to any other matter which is put before the meeting.
- 7. Pursuant to regulation 22 of the Uncertificated Securities Regulations 2005, the Company has specified that only those members entered on the register of members at 10 a.m. on 26 January 2023 shall be entitled to attend and vote at the meeting. Changes to the register after 10 a.m. on 26 January 2023 shall be disregarded in determining the rights of any person to attend and vote at the meeting.
- 8. Where a corporation is to be represented at the meeting by a personal representative, such corporation must deposit a certified copy of the resolution of its Directors or other governing body authorising the appointment of the representative at the Company's registered office: Viking House, Nelson Street, Douglas, Isle of Man, IM1 2AH not later than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the meeting.

## **Proxy Form**

Proxy for use at the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held at The Claremont Hotel, 18/19 Loch Promenade, Douglas, Isle of Man, on 30 January 2023 at 10 am.

I/We.....

(Please insert full name(s) using block capitals)

being a member/member(s) of Webis Holdings plc, hereby appoint the Chairman of the Meeting or failing him, (see note 5)

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as my/our proxy to attend, speak and vote for me/us on my/our behalf as indicated below (or at his/her discretion in respect of any other resolution proposed at the Meeting) at the Annual General Meeting of the Company and at any adjournment thereof.

I/We direct my/our vote as indicated below in respect of the resolutions which are referred to in the Notice convening the Meeting (see note 1 below).

Ordinary business	For	Against	Withheld
Ordinary resolutions			
<ol> <li>To receive and adopt the report of the directors and the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022.</li> </ol>			
2. To re-elect as a director Mr Denham Eke.			
3. To re-elect as a director Ms Katie Errock.			
<ol> <li>To reappoint KPMG Audit LLC and authorise the directors to determine their remuneration.</li> </ol>			
Special business Ordinary resolution			
5. To authorise the directors to allot relevant securities.			
Special resolutions			
<ol><li>To authorise the directors to allot equity securities upon a disapplication of pre-emption rights.</li></ol>			
Ordinary resolutions		-	-
<ol><li>To authorise the directors to make market purchases of the Company's ordinary shares.</li></ol>			
8. To receive and adopt the Report of the remuneration committee.			
Dated this day of			2023

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Please tick here if you are appointing more than one proxy. Number of shares proxy appointed over. Notes

S Members are entitled to appoint a proxy to exercise all or any of their rights to attend and vote on their behalf at the meeting. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company. A shareholder may appoint more than one proxy in relation to the Annual General Meeting provided that each proxy is appointed to exercise the rights attached to a different share or shares held by that shareholder. To appoint more than one proxy you may photocopy this form. Please indicate the proxy holder's name and the number of shares in relation to which they are authorised to atta sy your proxy (which, in aggregate, should not exceed the number of sharesheld by you). Please also indicate if the proxy instruction is one of multiple instructions being given. All forms must be signed and should be returned together in the same envelope. To be valid, the form of proxy and the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed or a notarially contributed on the form of proxy and the power of authority must be lodged at the offices of the Company's registrars, PKS 1, Lik Goup, Unit 10, Central Space, 29 Weington Smet, Leads, LSI 40L by hand, or sent by post, so as to be received not less than 48 hours before the time fixed for the holding of the meeting or any adjourment thereof (as the case may be). The completion and return of a form of proxy will not proclude an ember from attending in person at the meeting and voting should helpshewish to do so. In the case of a corporation, the form of proxy must be executed under its common seal, or the return of the another proxy contense. If the name of the most proxy must be executed under its common seal, or the return differ or attorney duly authorised. A member may appoint and next, the return of the most proxy the return of the meeting of the metered in the scale or or alor one of norm of norm of norm of norm of norm of norm of the most proxy will not of the metere of the meeting and voting should helpshewish to do so.

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## **Company Information**

## Directors

Denham Eke Non-Executive Chairman Ed Comins Managing Director Sir James Mellon Independent Non-Executive Director Richard Roberts Independent Non-Executive Director Katie Errock Non-Executive Director

Company Secretary Katie Errock

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