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## MORGAN STANLEY PORTLAND INVESTMENTS LIMITED

Report and financial statements

31 December 2019



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## STRATEGIC REPORT

The Directors present their Strategic report for Morgan Stanley Portland Investments Limited (the "Company") for the year ended 31 December 2019.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the Company is to enter into financing transactions and investments, with no significant changes expected in 2020.

The Company's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling entity is Morgan Stanley, which, together with the Company and Morgan Stanley's other subsidiary undertakings, form the "Morgan Stanley Group". The Company's immediate parent undertaking is Morgan Stanley Gamma Investments.

## **BUSINESS REVIEW**

#### **Emergence of COVID-19**

The coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic has, and will likely continue to, severely impact global economic conditions, resulting in substantial volatility in the global financial markets and operational challenges. The extent of the impact is highly uncertain and cannot be predicted and could adversely affect the future operations and financial condition of Morgan Stanley and the Company.

#### Overview of 2019 performance and key performance indicators

The Company's main key performance indicators are loss after tax, total assets and total liabilities.

The Company's loss after tax for the year amounted to £47,000, compared to £42,000 in the prior year.

The loss for the current year primarily represents net interest expense of £43,000 to other Morgan Stanley undertakings and audit fees of £5,000. This is offset by other income of £1,000. The loss for the prior year primarily relates to net interest expense of £43,000 to other Morgan Stanley undertakings and audit fees of £5,000 offset by other income of £6,000.

The Company's total assets at 31 December 2019 were £2,101,000 compared to £2,150,000 at 31 December 2018. The decrease of £49,000 is attributable to decrease in amounts due from other Morgan Stanley Group undertakings partially offset by increase in each and short term deposits. The Company's total liabilities at 31 December 2019 were £1,053,000 compared to £1,055,000 at 31 December 2018. The decrease of £2,000 is attributable to decrease in amounts due to other Morgan Stanley Group undertakings offset by an increase in trading financial liability.

## Risk management

The Directors consider that the Company's key financial risks are credit risk, primarily its concentration of exposure to other Morgan Stanley Group undertakings and liquidity risk arising primarily through its exposure to other Morgan Stanley Group undertakings presented within other receivables and payables, loans and advances and debt and other borrowings. The Company leverages the Morgan Stanley Group's credit and liquidity risk frameworks to identify, measure, monitor and control credit risk and to ensure that the Company has access to adequate funding.

The Company also has some limited exposure to country, operational and legal, regulatory and compliance risks.

The Company leverages the risk management policies and procedures of the Morgan Stanley Group.

## STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED)

#### Going concern

Business risks associated with the uncertain market and economic conditions are being actively monitored and managed by the Morgan Stanley Group and Company. Retaining sufficient capital and liquidity to withstand these market pressures remains central to the Morgan Stanley Group and Company's strategy. The existing and potential effects of COVID-19 (coronavirus) on the business of the Morgan Stanley Group and Company have been considered as part of the going concern analysis, including impact on operational capacity, access to liquidity and capital, contractual obligations. The Company has access to further Morgan Stanley Group capital and liquidity as required.

Taking all of these factors into consideration, the Directors believe it is reasonable to assume that the Company will have access to adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual reports and financial statements.

## Section 172(1) statement

The Directors are aware of their responsibilities to promote the success of the Company in accordance with \$172\$ of the Companies Act 2006. When making decisions, Directors have regard to the interests of stakeholders relevant to the Company as well as the need to maintain a reputation for high standards of business conduct and the long term consequences of decisions. They also fulfil their responsibilities through the application of Morgan Stanley Group policies and practices, underpinned by Morgan Stanley's five core values of: do the right thing, put clients first, lead with exceptional ideas, commit to diversity and inclusion and give back.

Approved by the Board 07 October 2020 and signed on its behalf by

Director

08 October 2020

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The Directors present their report and financial statements for the Company for the year ended 31 December 2019.

## **RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS**

The loss for the year, after tax, was £47,000 (2018: £42,000).

During the year, no dividends were paid or proposed (2018: £nil).

## RISK MANAGEMENT AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

Information regarding risk management and future developments has been included in the Strategic report.

## **DIRECTORS**

The following Directors held office throughout the year and to the date of approval of this report:

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## **DIRECTORS' AND OFFICERS' LIABILITY INSURANCE**

Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance is taken out by Morgan Stanley, the Company's ultimate parent undertaking, for the benefit of the Directors and Officers of the Company.

## **DIRECTORS' INDEMNITY**

Qualifying third party indemnity provisions (as defined in section 234 of the Companies Act 2006) were in force during the year and up to and including the date of the Directors' report for the benefit of the Directors of the Company.

## **EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING DATE**

Since the balance sheet date the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic has, and will likely continue to, severely impact global economic conditions, resulting in substantial volatility in the global financial markets and operational challenges. The extent of the impact is highly uncertain and cannot be predicted and could adversely affect the future operations and financial condition of Morgan Stanley and the Company.

## **AUDITOR**

Deloitte LLP have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditor of the Company and, under Sections 485 to 488 of the Companies Act 2006, will be deemed to be re-appointed.

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)**

## **AUDITOR (CONTINUED)**

Statement as to disclosure of information to the auditor

Each of the persons who are Directors of the Company at the date when this report is approved confirms that:

- so far as each of the Directors is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware; and
- cach of the Directors has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a Director to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of section 418 of the Companies Act 2006.

#### **DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT**

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

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards, including FRS 101, have been followed; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

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

Approved by the Board on 07 October 2020 and signed on its behalf by

Director

08 October 2020

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MORGAN STANLEY PORTLAND INVESTMENTS LIMITED

#### Report on the audit of the financial statements

## **Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements of Morgan Stanley Portland Investments Limited ("the Company"):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 December 2019 and of its loss for the year then
  ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, including Financial Reporting Standard 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework"; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements which comprise:

- the statement of comprehensive income;
- the statement of changes in equity;
- the statement of financial position; and
- the related notes 1 to 12.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report.

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the Financial Reporting Council's (the 'FRC's') Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

## Conclusions relating to going concern

We are required by ISAs (UK) to report in respect of the following matters where:

- the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate;
- the Directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant
  doubt about the Company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least
  twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MORGAN STANLEY PORTLAND INVESTMENTS LIMITED (CONTINUED)

#### Other information

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

#### **Responsibilities of Directors**

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

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

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

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

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

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MORGAN STANLEY PORTLAND INVESTMENTS LIMITED (CONTINUED)

#### Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

## Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

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

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

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

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report in respect of the following matters if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of Directors' remuncration 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 respect of these matters.

#### Use of our report

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

Paul Cowley, C.A. (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of Deloitte LLP

Statutory Auditor

Glasgow, United Kingdom

08 October 2020

## STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Year ended 31 December 2019

	Note	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
Interest income	4	28	29
Interest expense	4	(71)	(72)
Net interest expense		(43)	(43)
Other income	5	1	6
Other expense	6	(5)	(5)
LOSS BEFORE TAXATION		(47)	(42)
Income tax	7	-	-
LOSS AND TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE			
INCOME FOR THE YEAR		(47)	(42)

All results were derived from continuing operations.

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Year ended 31 December 2019

	Share capital	Retained losses	Total equity
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Balance at 1 January 2018	1,100	37	1,137
Loss and total comprehensive income for the year	-	(42)	(42)
Balance at 31 December 2018	1,100	(5)	1,095
Loss and total comprehensive income for the year	-	(47)	(47)
Balance at 31 December 2019	1,100	(52)	1,048

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form an integral part of the financial statements.

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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 31 December 2019

	Note	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
ASSETS		2000	2000
Cash and short term deposits		442	10
Loans and advances	10	1,559	1,625
Other receivables	10	53	469
Trading financial assets	8	47	46
TOTAL ASSETS		2,101	2,150
LIABILITIES			
Other payables	10	6	9
Debt and other borrowings	10	1,000	1,000
Trading financial liabilities	8	47	46
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,053	1,055
EQUITY			
Share capital	9	1,100	1,100
Retained losses		(52)	(5)
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		1,048	1,095
TOTAL EQUITY	_	1,048	1,095
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		2,101	2,150

These financial statements were approved by the Board on 07 October 2020 and authorised for issue on 08 October 2020.

Signed on behalf of the Board

S I Merry Director

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form an integral part of the financial statements.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Year ended 31 December 2019

## 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

The Company is incorporated and domiciled in England and Wales, United Kingdom, at the following registered address 20 Bank Street, Canary Wharf, London, E14 4AD, United Kingdom. The Company is a private company and is limited by shares. The registered number of the Company is 04791153.

The Company's immediate parent undertaking is Morgan Stanley Gamma Investments which has its registered office at 20 Bank Street, Canary Wharf, London, E14 4AD, United Kingdom. Copies of the financial statements can be obtained from the Registrar of Companies for England and Wales, Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff, CF14 3UZ.

The Company's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling entity and the largest and smallest group of which the Company is a member and for which group financial statements are prepared is Morgan Stanley which, together with the Company and Morgan Stanley's other subsidiary undertakings, form the Morgan Stanley Group. Morgan Stanley has its registered office c/o The Corporation Trust Company, Corporation Trust Center, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, DE 19801, United States of America and is incorporated in the state of Delaware, in the United States of America. Copies of its financial statements can be obtained from www.morganstanley.com/investorrelations.

## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

## Statement of compliance

These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis as explained in the Strategic report and under the historical cost convention in accordance with UK GAAP (UK Accounting Standards and applicable law), including FRS 101.

The Company has taken advantage of the disclosure exemptions available under FRS 101 in relation to financial instruments, fair value measurement, capital management, presentation of a cash-flow statement, accounting standards not yet effective and related party transactions.

Where relevant, equivalent disclosures have been provided in the group accounts of Morgan Stanley in which the Company is consolidated. Copies of Morgan Stanley's accounts can be obtained as detailed at note 1.

## New standards and interpretations adopted during the year

The following standards, amendments to standards and interpretations relevant to the Company's operations were adopted during the year and did not have a material impact on the Company's financial statements, except where otherwise stated.

As part of the 2015-2017 Annual Improvements Cycle published in December 2017, the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") made amendments to IAS 12 'Income Taxes' for application in accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019. The amendments were endorsed by the European Union ("EU") in March 2019. International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee 23 ("IFRIC 23") 'Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments' was issued by the IASB in June 2017 for application in accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019. The interpretation was endorsed by the EU in March 2019.

## Critical accounting judgements and sources of estimation uncertainty

No critical judgements have been made in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies that have had a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements. The Company has not made any key assumptions and there are no other key sources of estimation uncertainty in the reporting period that may have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the next financial year.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Year ended 31 December 2019

## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONTINUED)

#### The going concern assumption

The Company's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect its future development, performance and position, are reflected in the Business Review section of the Strategic report on pages 1 and 2.

As set out in the Strategic report, retaining sufficient liquidity and capital to withstand market pressures remain central to the Morgan Stanley Group's and the Company's strategy.

Taking the above factors into consideration, the Directors believe it is reasonable to assume that the Company will have access to adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and financial statements.

#### 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### a. Functional currency

Items included in the financial statements are measured and presented in Pounds Sterling, the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Company operates.

#### b. Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than Pounds Sterling are translated into Pounds Sterling at the rates ruling at the reporting date. Transactions and non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than Pounds Sterling are recorded at the rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. All translation differences are recognised through the statement of comprehensive income.

#### c. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash and demand deposits with banks, net of outstanding bank overdrafts, with original maturities of three months or less, that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and subject to insignificant risk of change in value.

## d. Financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities primarily comprise trading financial assets and liabilities, loans and advances, debt and other borrowings, other receivables and payables.

## **Trading financial instruments**

Trading financial instruments are initially recorded on trade date at fair value (see note 3(c) below). All subsequent changes in fair value, foreign exchange differences and unrealised interest are reflected in the statement of comprehensive income in 'Net trading income/ (expense)'.

For all trading financial instruments, transaction costs are excluded from the initial fair value measurement of the financial instrument.

#### Financial assets and financial liabilities at amortised cost

Loans and advances, other receivables and payables and debt and other borrowings are recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument and are initially measured at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost (less allowance for impairment on financial assets). Interest is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income using the effective interest rate ("EIR") method.

The Company derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risk and rewards of ownership of the asset. The Company derecognises financial liabilities when the Company's obligations are discharged, cancelled or they expire.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Year ended 31 December 2019

## 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### e. Fair Value

Fair value measurement

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (i.e. the "exit price") in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

Fair value is a market-based measure considered from the perspective of a market participant rather than an entity specific measure. Therefore, even when market assumptions are not readily available, assumptions are set to reflect those that the Company believes market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date.

In determining fair value, the Company uses various valuation approaches and establishes a hierarchy for inputs used in measuring fair value that requires the most observable inputs be used when available.

Observable inputs are inputs that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability that were developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of the Company. Unobservable inputs are inputs that reflect assumptions the Company believes other market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, that are developed based on the best information available in the circumstances.

The fair value hierarchy is broken down into three levels based on the observability of inputs as follows, with Level 1 being the highest and Level 3 being the lowest level:

- Level 1 Quoted prices (unadjusted) in an active market for identical assets or liabilities
  Valuations based on quoted prices in active markets that the Morgan Stanley Group has the ability to access for identical assets or liabilities. Valuation adjustments, block discounts and discounts for equity-specific restrictions that would not transfer to market participants are not applied to Level 1 instruments. Since valuations are based on quoted prices that are readily and regularly available in an active market, valuation of these products does not entail a significant degree of judgement.
- Level 2 Valuation techniques using observable inputs
   Valuations based on one or more quoted prices in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3 Valuation techniques with significant unobservable inputs
   Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement.

## f. Impairment of financial assets

The Company recognises loss allowances for expected credit losses ("ECL") for its financial assets classified at amortised cost. ECL are the present value of cash shortfalls over the expected life of the financial instrument, discounted at the asset's EIR. ECL are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income within 'Net impairment loss on financial instruments' and is reflected against the carrying amount of the impaired asset on the statement of financial position as an ECL allowance. Where there has been a reduction in ECL, this will be recognised within 'Net reversal of impairment loss on financial instruments'. There was no impact in the statement of comprehensive income in the current year.

#### g. Income tax

The tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and is calculated based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit may differ from profit before taxation as reported in the statement of comprehensive income because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible. The Company's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended 31 December 2019

#### 4. INTEREST INCOME AND INTEREST EXPENSE

'Interest income' and 'Interest expense' represent total interest income and total interest expense for financial assets and financial liabilities that are not carried at fair value.

#### 5. OTHER INCOME

Net foreign exchange gains  Miscellaneous income  Company's annual financial statements  E'000  £'000  £'000  £'000  £'000  £'000  £'000  £'000  £'000  £'000		2019	2018
Miscellaneous income  1 - 1 6  6. OTHER EXPENSE  2019 2018 £'000 £'000  Auditor's remuneration: Fees payable to the Company's auditor for the audit of the		£'000	£'000
6. OTHER EXPENSE  2019 2018 £'000  Auditor's remuneration: Fees payable to the Company's auditor for the audit of the	Net foreign exchange gains	•	6
2019 2018 £'000 £'000  Auditor's remuneration: Fees payable to the Company's auditor for the audit of the	Miscellaneous income	1	
2019 2018 £'000 £'000  Auditor's remuneration: Fees payable to the Company's auditor for the audit of the		1	6
£'000 £'000  Auditor's remuneration: Fees payable to the Company's auditor for the audit of the	6. OTHER EXPENSE		
Auditor's remuneration:  Fees payable to the Company's auditor for the audit of the		2019	2018
Fees payable to the Company's auditor for the audit of the		£'000	£'000
	Auditor's remuneration:		
	Fees payable to the Company's auditor for the audit of the		
		5	5
		5	5

The Company employed no staff during the year (2018: nil).

The Company's Directors are employed by other Morgan Stanley Group companies. The Directors' services to the Company are considered to be incidental to their other responsibilities within the Morgan Stanley Group and as such, Directors' remuneration is £nil for the current year (2018: £nil).

## 7. INCOME TAX

	2019	2018
	£'000	£'000
Current tax expense		
UK corporation tax at 19% (2018: 19%)		
- Current year	<u> </u>	
Income tax		

Finance Act 2016 enacted a reduction in the UK corporation tax rate to 17% with effect from 1 April 2020. This reduction impacts the current tax charge in future periods. However, following the UK Budget on 11 March 2020 and subsequent resolutions given statutory effect under the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968, for the financial year 2020 the UK statutory rate is 19%. While this change does not affect the income tax charge for the year, it will affect future years.

## Reconciliation of effective tax rate

The current year income tax expense is higher (2018: higher) than that resulting from applying the average standard rate of corporation tax in the UK for the year of 19% (2018: 19%). The main differences are explained below:

	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
Loss before taxation	(47)	(42)
Income tax using the average standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2018: 19%)	(9)	(8)
Impact on tax of: Group relief surrendered for no cash consideration Total income tax in the statement of comprehensive income	9	

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 December 2019

## 8. TRADING FINANCIAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

	2019	)	2018	3
	Assets £'000	Liabilities £'000	Assets £'000	Liabilities £'000
Fair value				
Derivative financial instruments (listed and OTC):				
- Equity linked loan	47	-	46	-
- Total return swap	-	47	-	46
	47	47	46	46

There are no terms and conditions of any trading asset or trading liability that may individually significantly affect the amount, timing and certainty of future cash flows for the Company.

## 9. EQUITY

Ordinary share capita	re capital	share	)rdinarv	0
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Ordinary Share Capital	2019 £'000	2018 £'000
Authorised and allotted and fully paid: 1,100,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	1,100	1,100

## 10. EXPECTED MATURITY OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

The table below shows an analysis of assets and liabilities analysed according to when they are expected to be recovered, realised or settled.

## At 31 December 2019

	Less than or equal to twelve months £'000	More than twelve months £'000	Total £'000
ASSETS Cash and short-term deposits Trading financial assets Loans and advances Other receivables	442 47 - 53	- 1,559	442 47 1,559 53
LIABILITIES Trading financial liabilities Other payables Debt and other borrowings	542 47 6 	1,559 - - 1,000 1,000	2,101 47 6 1,000 1,053

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended 31 December 2019

## 10. EXPECTED MATURITY OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

## At 31 December 2018

At 31 December 2016	Less than or equal to twelve months £'000	More than twelve months £'000	Total £'000
ASSETS			
Cash and short-term deposits	10	•	10
Trading financial assets	46	-	46
Loans and advances	-	1,625	1,625
Other receivables	469	•	469
	525	1,625	2,150
LIABILITIES			
Trading financial liabilities	46	•	46
Other payables	9	•	9
Debt and other borrowings	-	1,000	1,000
-	55	1,000	1,055

Total financial liabilities of £1,000,000 (2018: £1,000,000), included in the above, fall due for payment after more than five years from the reporting date. Of this, £nil (2018: £nil) is payable by instalments. As of 31 December 2019, the loan carries a fixed interest rate of 7.11% (2018: 7.11%) and is repayable on 15 June 2033.

#### 11. SEGMENT REPORTING

The Company has only one class of business, Institutional Securities operating in a single geographic market, Europe, Middle East and Africa ("EMEA") and accordingly no segmental analysis has been provided.

## 12. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING DATE

Since the balance sheet date the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic has, and will likely continue to, severely impact global economic conditions, resulting in substantial volatility in the global financial markets and operational challenges. The extent of the impact is highly uncertain and cannot be predicted and could adversely affect the future operations and financial condition of Morgan Stanley and the Company.