

**Manchester Airport Group
Investments Limited**
**Annual report and consolidated
financial statements for the year ended
31 March 2020**

MAGIL

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Officers and professional advisers

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The directors present their strategic report for Manchester Airport Group Investments Limited ('MAGIL') for the year ended 31 March 2020.

Principal activities

Manchester Airport Group Investments Limited ('the Group') comprises the Company and its subsidiaries. The principal activities of the Group during the year were the ownership, operation and development of airport facilities in the UK. The Group's revenues were derived from aircraft and passenger handling charges, airport-based commercial and retail activities, and property.

Results, review of business and future outlook.

The consolidated results for the year under review commence on page 38.

This report comes during an unprecedented period for both the aviation industry and the global economy. The spread of COVID-19 has had a profound impact on people's lives and wellbeing in a way that would be difficult to imagine just a few months ago. Governments across the world have introduced a wide range of measures to control the spread of the virus, including tight restrictions on the movement of people both domestically and internationally.

Our response to COVID-19

COVID-19 represents the greatest challenge MAGIL and the wider aviation industry has ever faced, and we acted quickly to reduce expenditure wherever possible to protect the long-term future of the Group.

In March 2020, we consulted with our colleagues and unions on the introduction of a package of measures to reduce our costs and preserve the Group's long-term position. These cost-saving measures included enforced annual leave, reduced working hours and temporary pay cuts. In parallel, we have carried out a comprehensive cost review, paused all non-essential capital projects and frozen recruitment. These were difficult but necessary decisions for us to take, and we recognise the impact they have had on our people.

With passenger volumes at very low levels, we have furloughed a high proportion of colleagues under the Government's Job Retention Scheme. The scheme provides important temporary support to employers and employees, and we welcomed the Chancellor's decision to extend this through to the end of October. In addition, we asked all MAGIL colleagues to accept a 10% salary cut for 12 months, and I am grateful to colleagues for their willingness to support the company through these challenging times. Putting all these measures in place was part of our strategy to minimise impacts on colleagues' pay and protect long-term employment.

Some elements of our operations have remained busy and made an important contribution to the UK's wider COVID-19 response. East Midlands Airport, normally the country's most important airport for cargo aircraft, continued this role and in the middle of the COVID-19 outbreak was one of the top 10 airports in Europe by air traffic movements, underlining the vital role that our airports play in the UK's logistics networks.

In recent weeks, levels of infection have been falling in most countries and governments across Europe and the rest of the world are progressively beginning to reopen their borders to international traffic. Despite this more positive outlook, we expect the process of restoring air connections to be a gradual one, and it will potentially take a number of years for passenger volumes to reach their previous levels. Over the years we have developed strong commercial relationships with our key airline partners and we will be working closely with them to reintroduce services as quickly as possible.

We have also been working closely with Government to develop a plan for the 'restart and recovery' of the UK aviation industry. In particular, we have played a key role in developing new operating protocols that will provide a safe and healthy airport environment for passengers and staff. Our contribution to this process was based on the learnings from the various trials we have done to understand how our airports will need to operate once services resume.

These restrictions on travel have clearly had a severe impact on the performance of the Group and the wider aviation and travel industry over the last few months. In common with other businesses, we have acted decisively to address these challenges and this report outlines the steps we have taken as part of our initial response to the pandemic.

However, the primary purpose of this report remains to provide a summary of the Group's overall performance for the 12-month period to the end of March 2020. A summary of the financial headline figures can be found on page 7.

We have chosen to simplify the presentation of the report this year to reduce the time and costs associated with publishing the document, reflecting our focus across the business on minimising expenditure of all kinds during this immensely difficult period.

Going concern

Going concern has been discussed within the Directors' report on page 21.

Business overview

Business Model and Key Priorities

MAGIL's goal is to deliver sustainable growth in shareholder value, balancing the needs of our customers, passengers, employees and the communities in which we work, while maintaining the highest safety and security standards.

Over recent years MAGIL's management team has successfully delivered sustained growth and consistently outperformed its business plan targets.

The short-to-medium term impact of the COVID-19 pandemic is currently difficult to assess and it is clear that the recovery will take time, as the broader global economic impacts of the pandemic materialise, airlines consolidate, reduce the size of their fleets and reduce costs, but MAGIL expects traffic to return to pre-COVID-19 levels in the next two to three years.

Through this recovery period, our core objective will be to drive the Group back to previous levels of performance as quickly as possible. As we move through this period, we will progressively increase our focus on driving forward our long-term strategic agenda and look for opportunities to grow shareholder returns through the development of new solutions and products to secure future revenue streams.

Strategy

The COVID-19 pandemic is the single biggest challenge the aviation industry has faced with passenger volumes reducing to zero as countries and borders have restricted the movement of people. MAGIL is no different, with significant reductions in traffic across all our airports.

MAGIL has responded by taking decisive steps to reduce operating costs through the alignment of infrastructure and resources to meet the revised traffic demand. As Government restrictions and border controls are gradually relaxed it is expected that airlines will re-introduce flying programmes. MAGIL has introduced additional health measures and controls at our airports to provide a safe environment for our passengers, customers, airlines and colleagues as airlines start up their operations again.

Looking to the future, we will seek to deliver our strategy of investing, transforming and connecting as soon as circumstances permit. However, the scale of the pandemic has demanded that we refocus our priorities in the short-term to ensure that we respond effectively to the immediate challenges we face.

In responding to the challenges associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, we have focused on three key areas: (1) our initial response to the pandemic, (2) the recovery phase and re-start of operations and (3) how we intend to operate once market conditions return to normal.

Our initial response to the pandemic was designed to maintain air connectivity for the repatriation of UK citizens, delivering essential goods to the UK including medical supplies, and providing our infrastructure to support NHS COVID-19 testing centres. At the same time, we have scaled our infrastructure to meet this demand by closing facilities, reducing staff levels to align with the demand and reducing operating hours of our passenger terminals, while at the same time maintaining a 24-hour airside operation.

We are working with Government and the industry to restart operations at the earliest safe opportunity. We are making preparations now to ensure that as lockdown measures and restrictions are slowly lifted, and flying programmes are re-introduced, we can maintain the safety and wellbeing of our passengers, customers and colleagues and provide them with a safe environment to work and travel from. Consistent with Government guidance, our safe system for air travel will adopt a risk-based approach, introducing a range of control measures and new operating processes throughout our airports to mitigate the risk of infection and transmission, these include:

- minimise passenger contact through increased contactless passenger processes;
- enhanced cleaning of all passenger areas and vehicles;
- provision of passenger sanitisation stations pre-security;
- provision of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to all operational frontline colleagues;
- installation of perspex protection guards to check-in desks and information desks;
- the use of face coverings for all passengers; and
- maintaining physical distancing where possible.

The COVID-19 crisis and the uncertainty it presents is likely to result in a change to the aviation landscape with a consolidation of airlines, reductions in fleet sizes, and a focus by airlines to significantly reduce operating costs. These underlying issues present MAGIL with several strategic risks in the short-term, that will require addressing to mitigate their potential impacts. The key risks are:

- slow recovery in passenger demand;
- slow recovery in airline capacity and pressure on aviation yields;
- changes in consumer behaviour causing lower retail and carpark yields; and
- operating costs not aligned to passenger demand.

Business overview continued









These changes and the risks associated to recovery require MAGIL to have a clearly defined strategy for future engagement with airline and retail partners to encourage accelerated growth in the short-term, while laying the foundation for future years to support sustained traffic growth. MAGIL is engaging with its partners to align their requirements to support the recovery phase and future operations once traffic returns to normal. MAGIL will continue to offer our passengers and airlines the choice and range of products that is aligned to future policy, consumer behaviour and travel requirements.

As traffic volumes return to pre-COVID-19 levels we will return to our strategy to invest in our infrastructure, continue to transform our business and processes, and provide global connectivity that meets our customers' needs and supports our airlines' ambitions. Our long-term strategy will be to focus on the following three key areas:







- utilising our scale to grow passenger traffic across all our airports;
- continuing our successful strategy to accelerate the growth at Manchester and London Stansted; and
- investing in other growth opportunities including complementary airport service businesses.

The timing of future investments will be determined by the recovery of traffic and the economic outlook. MAGIL will continue to take a balanced approach to align investments with future traffic and economic projections.

Key Performance Indicators

We focus on a number of key performance measures to ensure we build value for our shareholders on a consistent basis over the long term					
Measure	Aim	Context	Progress in 2020	Progress in 2020	
Revenue (continuing operations)	Achieve long-term and steady growth in revenue	We aim to deliver sustainable growth across all areas of our business - aviation, car parking, retail and property	£872.1m 2019: £851.4m		+2.4%
Adjusted EBITDA ¹ (continuing operations)	Generate a level of profit that allows re-investment in our infrastructure	We cover the cost of using our assets with income from our operations	£379.4m 2019: £359.7m		+5.5% (2.1)% <i>like-for-like</i> [*]
Result from operations (continuing operations)*	Achieve steady and increasing profit from operations	We expect all our operations to positively contribute to the Group's result. Result presents before impact of significant items	£185.2m 2019: £197.9m		(6.4)% (16.1)% <i>like-for-like</i> [*]
ROCE ^{2*}	Achieve a healthy ROCE which exceeds our cost of capital	We generate profits which cover the cost of investing in our asset base	5.4% 2019: 6.1%		(12.8)%
Occupancy rates ³	Achieve a high level of occupancy on lettable property	We generate improved revenue by maximising occupancy of our existing property portfolio	98.1% 2019: 95.2%		+3.0%
Investment property value ⁴	Generate growth in capital value of our property portfolio	We manage our property portfolio to realise maximum value from disposals and re-invest in new developments	£570.3m 2019: £552.6m		+3.2%
Capital investment*	Provide effective investment in operational assets to improve efficiency and support growth	We invest in opportunities that generate the best shareholder value, and enhance the quality of our airport services	£521.2m 2019: £579.2m		(10.0)%
Adjusted cash generated from operations ¹	Convert our operating profits into cash	We focus on converting our operating profits into cash to fund further investment and returns to shareholders	£398.4m 2019: £394.6m		+1.0% (5.9)% <i>like-for-like</i> [*]

Key Performance Indicators continued

Measure	Aim	Context	Progress in 2020	Progress in 2020	
Market share ⁵	Grow our share of the market	Measures the performance of MAGIL compared to the UK market	28.5% 2019: 28.5%	—	0%
Passengers (m)*	Maximise passenger volumes through our airports	Increasing the number of passengers contributes to growth in our aviation and commercial revenue streams	59.6m 2019: 61.8m		(3.6)%
Departure punctuality ⁶	Maintain a high level of on-time departures	We maximise our service to airline partners by providing efficient airport operations	78.8% 2019: 70.1%		+12.4%
Destinations ⁷	Provide access to all major global holiday and business destinations	As a premier airport services company, we aim to provide access to anywhere in the world from our airports	286 2019: 286	—	0%
Carbon Reduction - CO2 emissions ⁸	Minimise the environmental impact of our operations	We closely monitor our CO2 emissions and environmental impact	0.222 2019: 0.210		+5.7%
Number of people within noise footprint ('000s)	Being good neighbours with our communities	Minimising the impact of our operations on the local community	38.2 2019: 38.3		(0.3)%
Number of training placements provided ⁹	Supporting work in our communities	Create opportunity by offering jobs, and support with skills by developing the scope of our airport academies	706 2019: 759		(7.0)%
Health and Safety RIDDOR - reportable accidents ¹⁰	Maintain robust health and safety standards	The safety of our customers and colleagues is extremely important to us, and we value a safe working and operating	12 2019: 20		(40.0)%

*The reduction in the Group's Key Performance Indicators is explained within the Financial Review.

■As explained in note 35 of the consolidated financial statements.

1. As explained on page 8.

2. ROCE (return on capital employed) is calculated from adjusted operating profit as a percentage of average capital employed, and on a historical cost basis.

3. Measured as let space as a percentage of full occupancy space.

4. Investment property related to the Group's core property and the non-core property classified as assets held for sale.

5. Market share excludes Heathrow Airport.

6. Measured as a percentage of departures within 15 minutes of scheduled departure time. The improvement seen on the prior year is driven largely by external factors and ground handling protocol and contractual changes. We continue to work closely with all our airline partners and service agents to minimise the level of disruption and delays.

7. The KPI relates to individual airports.

8. We measure carbon intensity against traffic units, which are defined by the International Air Transport Organisation as equivalent to 1,000 passengers or 100 tonnes of freight. This year we have changed the scope of reported emissions so that it aligns with government's new Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting requirements, and we have restated 2018/19 emissions accordingly.

Over the last five years, the emission intensity of our operations has reduced by 12%. Although our total energy use reduced this year, the emission intensity of our operations increased by 6%. This is because, due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and two airline customers ceasing trading, traffic units reduced by 3.3% and our use of vehicle fuel increased. All residual emissions have been offset, and our CSR Strategy includes a commitment to transition to zero carbon operations. More information about our carbon footprint is provided at page 20 of this Report.

9. There was a slight reduction in the number of training placements provided. This is due to COVID-19 restrictions and low unemployment figures reducing the number of training referrals from Job Centres local to East Midlands Airport.

10. MAGIL's health and safety performance remains strong with a consistently low accident frequency rate. We experienced an increase in minor injuries resulting in absences of more than 7 days off work during 2018-19, improvements to return to work processes has seen this figure significantly improve over the last 12 months. Our analysis of MAGIL's performance against other UK airports shows that MAGIL's health and safety performance is one of the strongest of UK airports.

Financial Headlines

Introduction

The following financial review, based on the consolidated financial statements of the Group, provides commentary on the performance of the Group's operations. The Group prepares its consolidated financial statements under International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRS') and adopted by the EU.

MAGIL delivered a reported Adjusted EBITDA¹ result of 5.5% growth after IFRS 16 adjustments, and 2% reduction on a like-for-like basis. The impact of COVID-19 on both these figures was a drag of around 3%, with underlying Adjusted EBITDA¹ growth being around 1% year on year. Whilst passenger numbers fell by 3.6% to 59.6m, improved yields resulted in 2.4% increase in revenue from continuing operations to £872.1m. This revenue uplift enabled the Group to deliver £379.4m in Adjusted EBITDA¹ from its continued operations (a 5.5% increase over the prior year). When stripping out the one-off impact of adopting IFRS 16 on the headline figures, the Adjusted EBITDA¹ delivered is within 2% of last year's record level. In the face of the combined impacts of COVID-19 and the collapse of both Thomas Cook and Flybe during this year, the delivery of comparable year on year Adjusted EBITDA¹ levels is a solid performance by the Group.

	Year ended 31 March 2020 £m	Year ended 31 March 2019 £m	Change £m	Change %	Year ended 31 March 2020 Like-for-like [†] £m	Like-for-like Change [†] £m	Like-for-like Change [†] %
Passenger numbers	59.6	61.8	(2.2)	(3.6%)	59.6	(2.2)	(3.6%)
Revenue – continuing operations	872.1	851.4	20.7	2.4%	872.1	20.7	2.4%
Revenue – discontinued operations	28.9	27.7	1.2	4.3%	28.9	1.2	4.3%
Adjusted EBITDA* – continuing operations	379.4	359.7	19.7	5.5%	352.2	(7.5)	(2.1%)
Adjusted EBITDA* – discontinued operations	25.4	22.1	3.3	14.9%	25.4	3.3	14.9%
Result from operations** – continuing operations	185.2	197.9	(12.7)	(6.4%)	166.0	(31.8)	(16.1%)
Result from operations* – discontinued operations	19.0	16.3	2.7	16.6%	19.0	2.7	16.6%
Result before taxation – continuing operations	151.9	209.8	(57.9)	(27.6%)	154.2	(55.6)	(26.5%)
Result before taxation – discontinued operations	13.5	30.6	(17.1)	(55.9%)	13.5	(17.1)	(55.9%)
Adjusted cash generated from operations*	398.4	394.6	3.8	1.0%	392.2	(2.4)	(0.6%)
Capital investment	521.2	579.2	(58.0)	(10.0%)	521.2	(58.0)	(10.0%)
Net Debt – excluding IFRS 16	(1,689.3)	(1,207.3)	(482.0)	39.9%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Net Debt – including IFRS 16	(2,101.6)	(1,207.3)	(894.3)	74.1%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Equity shareholders' funds	2,494.1	2,370.8	123.3	(5.2%)	2,496.5	125.7	(5.3%)

[†] The adoption of IFRS 16 changes the calculation of a number of key metrics for the business but does not permit restatement of prior period comparatives. Consequently, to assist the comparability of 2019 and 2020 the year on year change has been calculated if these were calculated on a consistent basis across both years. See note 35 of the financial statements for the IFRS 16 to IAS 17 reconciliation.

* As explained on page 8.

Financial Headlines continued

Measures used to assess performance

The Group uses a number of measures to assess financial performance that are not defined within IFRS and are widely referred to as 'Alternative Performance Measures' ("APMs"). The directors use these measures to review the performance of the Group, as evidenced by performance targets being significantly based on Adjusted EBITDA¹.

The APMs referred to in this report are:

- Adjusted EBITDA¹;
- Adjusted operating profit²; and
- Adjusted cash generated from operations³

As such, these measures are important and should be considered alongside the IFRS performance measures. The adjustments for each of the APMs from IFRS measures are separately disclosed and relate to items that are significant in size or non-recurring in nature, and where, in the directors' view, their separate disclosure gives a more accurate indication of the Group's underlying financial performance.

For example, costs incurred owing to the COVID-19 pandemic, restructuring activities, additional expenditure owing to Group transformation activities, and Merger & Acquisition activity are considered one-off and are presented within Significant items as adjustments to the IFRS measures of financial performance.

APMs used within these statements are accompanied by a reference to the relevant IFRS measure and the adjustments made.

Business outlook

In addition to impacting the financial results for the year ended 31 March 2020, MAG have put in place a wide-ranging strategic response for the business beyond the reporting date including:

- As for most enterprises during the COVID-19 outbreak, MAGIL has undertaken a significant review which confirms that the going concern assumption can be applied in the preparation of these financial statements. Management's assessment of going concern, including the material uncertainty that COVID-19 represents, is detailed in the Basis of preparation at page 28;
- keeping the airport infrastructures operational but in a safe environment for our customers and our staff in the short-term. Even with a diminished passenger footfall, the Group's facilities perform vital functions in the current environment such as dealing with returning repatriation flights or as a cargo hub vital to the import of supplies into the UK;
- significant cash mitigation measures have been put in place across capital expenditure and costs; and
- securing £300m additional funding from MAHL's shareholders

MAGIL's business has strong fundamentals well invested infrastructure and talented people. Through these actions MAGIL should successfully navigate the current situation and be well positioned to benefit from the rebound and recovery.



Neil Thompson
Group Chief Financial Officer

NOTES:

¹ Adjusted EBITDA is earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation, gains and losses on sales and valuation of investment property, and before significant items.

² Result from operations is operating profit before significant items.

³ Adjusted cash generated from operations is cash generated from operations before significant items.

Refer to page 11 in the annual report and accounts for Manchester Airport Holdings Limited for further information on the Group's Alternative Performance Measures.

Corporate Governance Statement

The Group is committed to maintaining high standards of corporate governance and uses the UK Corporate Governance Code (the 'Code') as a guide to best practice. The responsibility for MAGIL's compliance with the Code is delegated to the Board of Directors of Manchester Airports Holdings Limited ('MAHL'), and further details can be found on pages 20 to 30 of the annual report and accounts for Manchester Airports Holdings Limited.

The risk profile of the MAGIL Group is consistent with that of the MAHL Group, as outlined on pages 11 to 14. MAGIL's internal controls and risk management are set out below.

Internal controls

The directors are responsible for the Group's system of internal control, which aims to safeguard assets and shareholders' investment, and seeks to ensure that proper accounting records are maintained, that statutory and regulatory requirements are met, and that the Group's business is operated economically, effectively and efficiently. It is acknowledged that any system of internal control is most likely to manage rather than eliminate risk, and can provide only reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss.

The Group's system of internal control has been in place throughout the year and up to the date of this Annual Report. The key elements of the internal control environment, which includes the process for preparing the consolidated financial statements, are:

- clearly defined organisational structures, schemes of delegation and lines of responsibilities;
- the involvement of qualified, professional employees with an appropriate level of experience (both in the Group's Finance function and throughout the business);
- regular meetings of the Board and of the Chief Executive's Executive Committee;
- Board approval of long-term business strategies, key business objectives and annual budgets (with an annual review being undertaken to update the business strategies and key business objectives);
- preparation, and Board approval, of revised financial forecasts during the year – monitoring financial performance on a monthly basis against budget, and the benchmarking of key performance indicators, with remedial action being taken where appropriate;
- monitoring annual performance against business plans;
- established procedures for planning, approving and monitoring capital projects, together with post project investment appraisal;
- regular review by the Group's Finance function of each business unit including a reconciliation to the management accounts on a segmental basis;
- the review by the Audit Committee and the Board of the draft consolidated financial statements, and receipt of and consideration by the Audit Committee of reports from management and the external auditor, on significant judgements and other pertinent matters relating to those statements;
- the activities of the Internal Audit function (see below); and
- implementation of Group-wide procedures, policies, standards and processes concerning business activities, including financial reporting, health and safety, and human resources.

The Group has an established, independent Internal Audit function, the role of which is to provide impartial, objective audit, assurance and consulting activity that is designed to strengthen, improve and add value to core processes and procedures across the Group.

The Internal Audit team takes a disciplined and risk-based approach to evaluating and improving the effectiveness of risk management, internal controls and governance processes, aimed at providing assurance that risks are being well managed, and controls are adequately designed and operating effectively. Their approach is based on professional best practice, in particular, the 2020 Internal Audit Code of Practice, which the Company has already adopted and is applying and the Chartered Institute of Internal Auditors Standards.

An annual risk-based Internal Audit Plan is developed which provides coverage of the Group's risk profile over a rolling five-year period, with an initial focus on areas of high inherent risk and areas where the Group is heavily reliant on mitigating controls to manage the risk to an acceptable level. The plan is dynamic, and is refreshed as required, to reflect the evolution of the Group's risk profile over time. Over the course of the year, the Internal Audit team has carried out circa 30 reviews across a broad range of areas including: landside operations; passenger security screening; border breach controls; asset health frameworks; roster to pay processes; and aviation billing core controls. The technology audit plan for the year has included key risk-based reviews such as ransomware protection and governance over the use of cloud technology. Where relevant, Internal Audit scopes will also include a review of governance arrangements and as appropriate, the reliability and quality of key business information which is being provided to support strategic decision-making processes across the business.

In respect of key strategic and capital projects, the overall Group Internal Audit Plan is supplemented by an individual Project Assurance Plan, which is kept under regular review, and given the prevalence of major projects across the Group, is the subject of dedicated Internal Audit resource. During the year, the team have undertaken a number of project assurance reviews, including those relating to the ongoing transformation programmes at Manchester and Stansted airports.

The Internal Audit team carries out an annual self-assessment exercise to establish its effectiveness and any areas for improvement, based on the Chartered Institute of Internal Auditors Standards. The most recent exercise confirmed full compliance with those standards and an action plan has been developed to support the team's objective for continuous improvement in respect of quality assurance processes and procedures.

Corporate Governance Statement continued

In line with best practice, MAGIL also operates an independently provided, confidential reporting telephone helpline and web portal for employees to raise matters of concern in relation to fraud, dishonesty, corruption, theft, security and bribery. All claims are fully investigated in line with MAGIL's standard policies and procedures and a full whistleblowing update is provided at each Audit Committee

meeting. As part of Internal Audit's activity in year we will also review the business' application of policies and procedures (for areas under review) with the aim of supporting the dissemination of good working practices and raising awareness of any non-compliance and areas for improvement. This ensures that there is the appropriate tone from the top and MAGIL behaviours and culture is instilled across the business.

Based on the Internal Audit work delivered during the year, in the context of materiality, and considering management's commitment to implement agreed control improvement recommendations, the Internal Audit team concluded that MAGIL's internal control and risk activities were operating effectively for the period under review. On behalf of the Board, the Audit Committee has received the Director of Internal Audit's annual report and has conducted a review of the effectiveness of the system of internal control. Regular reports on control issues are presented to, and discussed with, the Audit Committee, and there is a process in place to ensure that audit recommendations are fully implemented by senior executive management. All such, recommendations made in the prior financial year have been implemented, together with 98% of those made in this financial year that are currently actionable. The Board, having considered the Audit Committee's review, is able to confirm that no significant failings have been identified in the system of internal control.

Risk management

The management of risks rests ultimately with the MAGIL Board, notwithstanding that the MAHL Audit Committee performs a significant role, relative to risk oversight. The most significant strategic, corporate and operational risks and uncertainties identified during the year, and the prevailing approach to management of these, appear on pages 11 to 14. The Risk and Internal Audit Department, covering Risk Management, Internal Audit and Security Assurance, reports directly to the Company Secretary, who habitually attends every MAHL Audit Committee meeting. Risk Registers are managed by individual risk owners, are updated on a regular basis, and are discussed regularly between risk owners, their teams and the Risk Team. The holding of regular business risk workshops at a divisional level, and formal biannual review of the Group's strategic risk register by the executive directors, support this process. The MAGIL Board can confirm that it, and the MAHL Audit Committee, regularly review the process for the identification, evaluation and management of the strategic and significant corporate risks faced by the MAGIL Group. In the judgement of the MAGIL Board, progressively enhanced risk management procedures have continued to promote greater business-wide awareness of the potential sources and mitigants of risk within the MAGIL Group.

Corporate Governance Statement continued

Principal risks

The table below summarises the key strategic, corporate and operational risks identified during the year, with details of the strategies for managing them and some of the potential opportunities they present:

RISK	MITIGATION STRATEGY	OPPORTUNITIES
COVID-19	<p>At the outset of COVID-19 MAGIL activated our Group-wide business resilience and business continuity processes. We established a bronze, silver and gold command structure representing operational, Group and Executive functions.</p> <p>This ensured a consistent approach across the organisation which brought together colleagues from all functions in a joined-up response.</p> <p>Recognising the pervasive nature of the pandemic, we established top down and bottom up risk management processes. We compiled a COVID-19 strategic risk based on the organisational recovery strategy. The register highlights the risks to the achievement of a successful recovery and the mitigating actions we need to take to ensure we reduce the likelihood and / or impact of associated risks. It also provides a mechanism to facilitate and enhance governance processes through review and update of the risks and monitoring of the implementation of agreed actions.</p> <p>We have supplemented this via a series of bottom up risk registers focusing on MAGIL's successful recovery and the uncertainties faced across the business. In doing so we have taken into account guidance material and its application across our airports that has been published by UK Government, EASA and ICAO.</p>	<p>The pandemic represents an uncertainty of unprecedented global impact and duration. As such it has provided a unique opportunity to test MAGIL's business resilience and continuity plans. Learning lessons from this event will ensure MAGIL's already resilient structure is made even more robust to face future crises.</p> <p>The proactive measures we have taken demonstrate to our stakeholders the importance to MAGIL of being able to deliver high quality, safe and secure service as we seek to recover from the impact of the pandemic.</p>
Security Breach	<p>We continue to invest heavily year-on-year in ensuring our customers, employees and stakeholders remain safe and secure at all of our sites in the context of the current threat environment.</p> <p>We work closely with the Police and Government security agencies to ensure that our security facilities and processes meet the high standards required to respond to new and existing security threats.</p> <p>Drone related disruption at Gatwick, Heathrow and Dublin airports in 2018-19 illustrate a risk that has long existed on MAGIL's key risk registers. Working closely with operations and security colleagues as well as Government organisations MAGIL has revised and updated its approach to anti-drone controls to ensure we reflect on the lessons learned from events and the resulting guidance and advice.</p> <p>Our security facilities and processes are subject to extensive internal and external inspections and audits by regulators, external specialists and internal teams who regularly test the effectiveness of our security processes and identify opportunities for improvement.</p>	<p>Whilst security is paramount, we also want our customers to continue to enjoy a positive experience at our airports.</p> <p>We look for opportunities to enhance the customer experience whilst maintaining the high standards of security our stakeholders expect, in particular working to minimise security queuing times through continuous improvement and innovative approaches to our security processes and facilities.</p>

Corporate Governance Statement continued

Principal risks continued

RISK	MITIGATION STRATEGY	OPPORTUNITIES
Material sustained disruption to operations	<p>We have a clear process across the Group to identify the key factors that could cause significant disruption to our operations. Working with senior management we identify the controls and further actions required to minimise the likelihood of such events occurring where practicable, and the impact of these should they occur.</p> <p>Each of our sites has emergency response, crisis management and business continuity plans in place which are regularly tested and updated to ensure we are able to respond quickly and effectively to disruptions to our operations. Our insurance programme provides financial protection for a wide range of events and incidents causing operational disruption.</p>	<p>Regular review and testing of our plans enable opportunities for improvement to be identified and implemented on an ongoing basis.</p> <p>MAGIL has invested a significant amount of time in 2019-20 to better establish business resilience and continuity across the Group. MAGIL has considered the mechanisms by which functions will respond to circumstances which could impact upon operations. This work has been undertaken to integrate joined up ways of working in MAGIL airports and across the Group as a whole.</p>
Major Health & Safety incident affecting our customers or colleagues	<p>The Health & Safety of our customers, employees and stakeholders is a fundamental priority for us. Robust Health & Safety policies, procedures and processes are in place, and compliance is monitored by our experienced team of Health & Safety specialists who undertake a programme of inspections and audits throughout the year.</p> <p>Health & Safety training is provided to all employees and briefings are provided to contractors and other visitors to our sites to ensure that key Health & Safety risks are understood and effectively managed.</p> <p>Our Health & Safety governance structure is designed to ensure that there is appropriate oversight of our management of Health & Safety risk and enables material risks to be quickly escalated and addressed.</p>	<p>Continuous improvement of our Health & Safety arrangements is a key focus for each of our operations. This is facilitated by our specialist Health & Safety Teams and underpinned by strong ownership and accountability by our management teams.</p>
Regulatory risk	<p>Compliance with regulatory requirements is a priority for MAG, and we invest in extensive internal and external assurance to ensure we continue to be fully compliant across all aspects of our operations.</p> <p>We also deploy risk management evaluation criterion specifically for regulatory risk. Given the number and complexity of the regulatory requirements we are subject to, this allows us to articulate and compare our key regulatory risks using a comprehensive approach.</p>	<p>We work closely and have strong relationships with our regulators to ensure we understand and can fully comply with their requirements. We strive to act quickly when opportunities for improvement are identified, and through our regulator relationships we are able to plan well in advance for successful responses to future requirements.</p>
'Brexit'	<p>The 2016 'Brexit' referendum decision and the continuing uncertainty concerning the outcome for the United Kingdom's future relationship with the EU and international trading options more generally, after the end of the transitory period presents a significant macroeconomic risk to the business, and the aviation industry faces uncertainty over the short and longer term impacts of the UK's exit from the EU.</p> <p>We monitor the economic environment closely and have ensured that our business plans are resilient to economic shocks through prudent scenario planning and sensitivity analysis. This, coupled with resilient foundations built during a successful period of growth, provides a positive long-term outlook.</p> <p>MAGIL will work closely with the aviation industry to ensure that the UK continues to enjoy liberal access to the EU aviation market.</p>	<p>Whilst carefully monitoring and managing exposure to the risks, we will seek to ensure that the business is well positioned to take the opportunities Brexit may present.</p> <p>MAGIL is focused on ensuring our airports have the capacity and quality of facilities our customers expect in the medium and longer term in response to the issues created by the COVID-19 global pandemic.</p> <p>The uncertainty around Brexit and other potential economic shocks has provided the opportunity to review our product and geographical diversification.</p>

Corporate Governance Statement continued

Principal risks continued

RISK	MITIGATION STRATEGY	OPPORTUNITIES
Delivering major programmes	<p>MAGIL has a successful track record of delivering major programmes.</p> <p>The 2019/2020 financial year saw the continuation of our biggest ever programme – the transformation of Manchester’s terminal, airfield and car parking facilities. We continue to assess progressing with the proposed transformation of London Stansted Airport.</p> <p>We have established rigorous governance arrangements to ensure that all capital delivery programmes are progressed in a controlled manner, to high quality standards and with the minimum possible disruption to our customers.</p>	<p>The design phases of the Stansted Transformation Programme and the transition towards construction of the Manchester Transformation Programme have given us the opportunity to raise the bar even higher for programme management and governance</p> <p>Opportunities to improve our existing capital delivery processes are being identified and implemented as the programme progresses</p> <p>At the start of the 2019-20 financial Manchester Airport experienced the biggest milestone to date in the transformation works with the opening of a new pier and multi-storey car park.</p> <p>In the second quarter of 2020-21, subject to the challenges COVID-19 has created, Manchester Airport will see the opening of the newly constructed Terminal 2 as work begins to refurbish the current Terminal building.</p>
Recruitment, development and retention of talented people	<p>Recruiting and retaining talent is critical to the success of our business, and this has been an area of significant focus in recent years. Our Talent Strategy aims to attract the best available people in the market and retain employees through a variety of initiatives including incentive schemes, career development programmes and mentoring to help them contribute to driving the success of the company, whilst getting the very best out of their career at MAG.</p> <p>We are also adapting our recruitment approach in key areas such as ‘digital’ to reflect the changing external environment, where the competition for talent is high.</p>	<p>Regular employee communications and performance reviews individually and collectively combined with regular communications from management and the use of employee engagement surveys enable colleagues to identify opportunities to improve the employee experience. MAGIL is transparent in communicating survey results and proactive in developing initiatives to deliver identified improvements.</p>
Cyber Security	<p>The security of our Technology systems, and in particular our customer, employee and stakeholder data are extremely important to us. We have a wide range of multi-layered defences within our Technology infrastructure to ensure that our systems remain operational and our data remains secure and have delivered a range of significant enhancements to our systems and network.</p> <p>We also run a security and education programmes for our colleagues and contractors to ensure they are aware of cyber risks and how to take action to mitigate them at an individual level.</p> <p>Contingency plans are in place to detect and respond to threats, security breaches and data loss, minimising the impact on our customers, stakeholders and the business.</p> <p>We have devoted significant resource to ensure that we have appropriate systems and processes in place to ensure our compliance with EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) Measures included ensuring appropriate governance, awareness and data assessment and storage capacity, overseen by a dedicated Group Data Protection Officer.</p>	<p>MAGIL’s Cyber Security Strategy sets out a programme of improvements to our Technology systems and infrastructure designed to ensure that the growth of our business is supported and underpinned by a secure and effective IT environment.</p> <p>Cyber Security Enhancements are reported through Cyber Security Programme Board and to the Cyber Security Steering Committee. This provides appropriate governance and oversight of our ongoing Cyber Security initiatives and includes work in progress to deal with changing Cyber threats and MAGIL’s evolving digital online business.</p>

Corporate Governance Statement continued

Principal risks continued

RISK	MITIGATION STRATEGY	OPPORTUNITIES
Climate Change	<p>MAGIL recognises the importance of social responsibility as an airport owner and operator. Maintaining public confidence is a high priority with inextricable implications on demand.</p> <p>As passenger numbers continue to grow and MAGIL develops the infrastructure to provide our guests with the best service possible, we are cognisant of the need to play our role in controlling carbon emissions and reducing our environmental impact.</p>	<p>The Sustainable Aviation Decarbonisation Road-Map represents joint working between airport operators, airlines, aerospace manufacturers and air navigation service providers. It provides a basis to tangibly reduce CO₂ emissions.</p> <p>We are in open dialogue with Government through the Achieving Net Zero Board. This both influences and monitors Government action against promises they have made and is a forum to demonstrate positive work undertaken by the aviation sector and MAGIL specifically.</p> <p>We also continue to maintain MAGIL's position as a leader in the Net Zero campaign with an aim towards achievement of net zero carbon emissions by 2038 as outlined in MAGIL's CSR Strategy. This work is all underpinned by the fact that MAGIL airports were the first in the UK to be carbon neutral.</p>

Leadership and Governance

As we describe in the strategic report, this year has been unprecedented. It is a testament to a combination of the dedication, resilience and strength of our senior management team (and in turn their teams, and our staff generally), their business resilience plans, our Board's diverse skills and an appropriate governance and internal control framework that we have been able to navigate the exceptional external challenges we have faced. At the same time, we have maintained our disciplined approach to safety standards as the health, safety and wellbeing of our customers, staff and business partners are paramount.

MAGIL considers that strong corporate governance is a core foundation for any successful company and is committed to maintaining the highest standards of corporate governance and adopting best practice as it emerges. The following Corporate Governance Report sets out how MAGIL applies governance standards in practice, and reports against the Wates Principles, which MAGIL has adopted as its corporate governance code.

MAGIL places great importance on the Board's role in embedding a positive culture and values across the organisation.. Furthermore, MAGIL recognises that diversity in its workforce provides access to a wider range of talents, experience and skills, promoting greater creativity, innovation and high performance. Further information is provided in the Nomination Committee section on page 25 of the MAHL annual report and financial statements. This year the Board received a report of an independently facilitated materiality assessment, that sought a broad cross-section of views. This report informed the development of a new CSR Strategy, with further details set out on page 31 of the MAHL annual report and financial statements. The Board's consideration of stakeholder views is described more fully in the Section 172 statement below.

This year the Board completed a strategy session looking at future opportunities for the development of the Group. In addition to a continued focus on the core business operations, the Board continues to critically assess the potential of the MAGIL Airport Services, including the digital strategy. The opportunities and challenges outlined in the joint statement on pages 3 to 5 of the MAHL annual report and financial statements mean that the Board needs to continue to maintain its robust scrutiny and healthy challenge of the executive team as they navigate through the emerging risks and opportunities. In so doing the Board will support the executive to develop and implement a strategy that strikes the right balance between incremental value creation and longer term evolution of the business model. To ensure we have the right structures to support this work, this year we also reviewed the terms of reference for the Board Committees. There were no changes to Board's constitution.

Corporate Governance Statement continued**Statement by the Directors in Performance of their Statutory Duties in Accordance with s172(1) Companies Act 2006**

Throughout this annual report, we provide examples of how we: take into account the likely consequences of long term decisions; build relationships with stakeholders; understand the importance of engaging our employees; understand the impact of our operations on the communities in the regions in which our airports operate and the environment we depend upon; and attribute importance to behaving as a responsible business.

The Board of Directors are aware of and consider they have acted in accordance with their statutory duties under s172(1) of the Companies Act 2006. Consistent with these duties, the directors have acted in good faith, seeking to promote the long-term success of the company for the benefit of shareholders and in so doing have had regard to their duties to:

- the likely consequences of any decisions in the long-term;
- the interests of the company's employees;
- the need to foster the company's business relationships with suppliers, customers and others;
- the impact of the company's operations on the community and environment;
- the desirability of the company maintaining a reputation for high standards of business conduct; and
- the need to act fairly as between shareholders of the company.

The following paragraphs summarise how they fulfil those duties, with references, where appropriate, to the other parts of this annual report where further information is available.

Corporate Governance Statement continued

Stakeholder engagement

Stakeholder group	Form of engagement	How this stakeholder group influenced Board decision making
<p><u>Passengers</u></p> <p>With more than 270 destinations served from our airports, we provide the vital connections to allow people to travel for business and leisure. The passengers choosing our airports are the lifeblood of our business and providing the right services and destinations for them is critical to our success.</p>	<p>Feedback from passengers is carefully reviewed and reported to the Board, including a regular independently administered survey, using the net promoter score.</p>	<p>This year the Board received several reports examining the service levels offered to those passengers who require special assistance or have additional needs. Further details of the resulting actions taken and the necessary improvements that have been delivered this year can be found in the CSR Chapter, on page 31 of the MAHL annual report and financial statements.</p>
<p><u>Local communities</u></p> <p>We know that when our airports prosper, they bring benefits to local communities, providing employment, supporting local groups, education and skills. Impacts from airport and aircraft operations, including noise, emissions and congestion can negatively affect communities near our airports and need careful management.</p>	<p>Regular and long-term engagement with local communities occurs at all MAGIL airports, including formal consultative committees and informal community outreach. Further details can be found on page 31 of the MAHL annual report and financial statements.</p>	<p>Community views, including an independent materiality review were reported to the Board this year and were important to the development of a new CSR Strategy. Further details can be found on page 31 of the MAHL annual report and financial statements.</p>
<p><u>Colleagues</u></p> <p>Our people are at the heart of our business and are fundamental to its success. We aim to be a fair and responsible employer in our approach to the pay and benefits our employees receive, seek to provide an environment our colleagues can fulfil their potential and safeguard their health, safety and well-being.</p>	<p>Colleague's views are considered through formal and informal channels.</p> <p>This year we introduced a new Group-wide colleague engagement survey, which will be repeated annually. This independently administered engagement survey, will assist the Board in assessing the strengths and opportunities to inform future work in this area.</p>	<p>Feedback from colleagues was reported to and considered by the Board. The views of colleagues informed discussion about appropriate people policies. The Board has taken a close interest in the diversity and inclusivity of the workforce and has considered several relevant reports.</p>
<p><u>Customers, partners and suppliers</u></p> <p>Establishing, developing and maintaining strong business relationships with our customers, business partners and suppliers is fundamental to the long-term stability and success of our business.</p> <p>We always seek to conduct business in a professional and collaborative manner.</p>	<p>Engagement with customers and business partners is critically important to MAGIL. Each of our airports operate collaborative forums and one-to-one key account management meetings with all our business partners – including airlines, retailers, tenants and aviation service partners. Our Airport Consultative Committees bring these customer groups together with passenger and community representatives.</p> <p>Our approach to procurement is accredited to the Corporate Certification Standard of the Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply. This incorporates practices to make responsible procurement decisions which treat suppliers fairly, mitigate modern slavery, and ensure prompt payment.</p>	<p>This year the Board received a report on the programme of work undertaken to minimise the risk of slavery in all aspects of our business and approved a statutory statement, which will be published in the summer alongside our CSR Report.</p>

Corporate Governance Statement continued

Stakeholder engagement continued

Stakeholder group	Form of engagement	How this stakeholder group influenced Board decision making
<p><u>Industry, regulatory bodies, government and government agencies</u></p> <p>We help national and regional government to formulate and deliver their policies. We actively contribute to industry associations and promote the legitimate interests of our industry.</p>	<p>The Corporate Affairs team regularly meets with national government and elected representatives of all parties. This includes Government officials across a wide range of departments, members of both the House of Commons and the House of Lords, ministers and shadow ministerial teams, scrutiny committees like the Transport Select Committee and policy making bodies like the National Infrastructure Commission or Transport for the North.</p> <p>The team also hold relationships with regulators (the CAA) to ensure regulation meets MAGIL's needs.</p> <p>MAGIL is a member of several trade associations linked to its interests including the CBI and AOA. Relationships are held with similar other industry associations such as Airlines UK (AUK) and BAR UK, to facilitate working on common issues and to provide for mutual support.</p> <p>At a more local level, Corporate Affairs teams hold local MP relationships, as well as with councillors, LEPs and local government agencies (e.g. the North West branch of the Department for International Trade).</p>	<p>The board receives regular updates on Government policy and the work of the Corporate Affairs team, providing guidance on the direction this should travel to support MAGIL's future growth. This informs MAGIL's engagement with policy makers and regulators.</p>
<p><u>Shareholders</u></p> <p>Our shareholders invest in MAGIL as a long-term strategic asset with significant future growth potential. By taking a long-term view they underpin the sustainable growth of the business.</p>	<p>Shareholder representatives meet regularly with the executive team to ensure they are closely briefed, and they are supported by a team of highly experienced non-executive directors. Further details can be found in the strategic report on page 23 and 24 of the MAHL annual report and financial statements.</p>	<p>MAGIL has enjoyed shareholder support to facilitate major infrastructure investments, such as the Manchester Transformation Project. This investment is crucial to the long-term success of the business.</p> <p>In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, shareholder support has allowed MAGIL to put in place a strong financial response incorporating significant cash mitigation measures, which together with equity support from shareholders will secure the recovery of the business.</p>

Corporate Governance Statement continued

Taking a long-term view of risks and opportunities

We operate a systematic process to identify risks and opportunities. Further information on our risk framework can be found on pages 10 to 14. Our principal risks include the need to maintain a safe and secure operation, within a highly regulated sector; responding to changes that may arise as the UK exits the European Union; responding to changes in passenger levels and the UK and global economic outlook; and the need to attract and retain talented people. This year, increased risk associated with climate change informed the Board's view in agreeing a new commitment to transition MAGIL to a net zero carbon business by no later than 2038. Our assessment of risk is scrutinised by the and regularly reported to the Board, to allow the long-term consequences of decisions to be assessed.

Managing our impacts on local communities and the environment

Ensuring local communities benefit from operations at our airports and minimising impacts including noise and emissions have consistently been a high priority for MAGIL. We also have well established environmental management systems.

The CSR Committee receives regular reports on all relevant aspects of policy, regulation and performance, and this year agreed a new five-year CSR Strategy. Further detail can be found on page 31 of the MAHL annual report and financial statements.

Maintaining a reputation for high standards of business conduct

It is important that MAGIL operates to high standards of business conduct and appropriate policies, including the prevention of bribery and corruption have been implemented, with supporting training for those colleagues whose work is most likely to expose them to relevant risks. All colleagues have access to an anonymous reporting service to report any instance of bullying or intimidation in the workplace. To demonstrate transparency in reporting, MAGIL publishes an annual CSR Report, which includes full disclosure against the relevant industry sector guidance published by the Global Reporting Institute (GRI). The most recent disclosure can be found on page 31 of the MAHL annual report and financial statements. The CSR Committee receive and approve the CSR Report prior to publication.

MAGIL structure and governance arrangements

In ownership terms, the Group is a subsidiary of Manchester Airports Holdings Limited ('MAG'). MAG is structured as a joint venture between the ten local authorities of the Greater Manchester region and IFM Investors (IFM). In this way, MAG's ownership structure is unique and comprises an effective blend of public and private shareholders, including Manchester City Council (35.5%), IFM Investors (35.5%) and the nine other Greater Manchester local authorities (29%) Amongst those owners, The Council of the City of Manchester and IFM enjoy, in equal shares, the voting rights in general meetings of Manchester Airports Holdings Limited (the holding company of the Group), have certain matters reserved for their exclusive decision as shareholders, and make two appointments each to the Board.



(*the Borough Council of Bolton, the Borough Council of Bury, the Oldham Borough Council, the Rochdale Borough Council, the Council of the City of Salford, the Metropolitan Borough Council of Stockport, the Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council, the Trafford Borough Council and the Wigan Borough Council)

Corporate Governance Statement continued

Our sustainability performance

Issue	Objective	Indicator	On track	2019/20	2018/19	Change
Carbon reduction CO ₂	Minimise the environmental impact of our airports	'SECR' Scope 1, 2 and 3 greenhouse gas emissions (full break-down at page 20, market-based emissions per traffic unit (tonnes CO ₂ e))	↑	0.222	0.210	+6% ¹
Number of people within noise footprint (1000s)	Being good neighbours within our communities	Number of people within daytime 57dB LAeq noise contour (1000s)	↓	38.2	38.3	-0.3%
Number of training placements provided	Supporting work within our communities	Number of training placements provided by MAGConnect Airport	↓	706	759	-7% ²
Health and safety 'RIDDOR' reportable accidents	Maintain robust health and safety standards	Number of 'RIDDOR' reportable incidents	↓	12	20	-40% ³

Our energy and emission performance

MAGIL has reported the climate impacts of its operations for many years, publishing an overview of performance in our Annual Report and more detail in our annual Corporate Social Responsibility Reports. We welcome changes that require us and other large organisations to provide more information about the energy we use and the climate impacts of that energy.

From this year, MAGIL is required to report its energy use and carbon emissions in accordance with the Companies (Directors' Report) and Limited Liability Partnerships (Energy and Carbon Report) Regulations 2018. We have therefore taken this opportunity to review our energy and carbon reporting with the aim of providing greater transparency.

The information presented below sets out the energy use and emissions for which MAGIL is responsible, including the energy and emissions associated with the operation of our buildings and vehicle fleets. Our energy use and associated climate impacts are presented in absolute terms and as a measure of 'intensity' compared to our passenger and cargo throughput measured as 'Traffic Units' (which are defined by the International Air Transport Organisation (IATA) as equivalent to 1,000 passengers or 100 tonnes of freight).

In preparing this report we have followed environmental reporting guidelines published by the Government, we have also adopted the principles of the World Resources Institute's Greenhouse Gas Protocol. Our energy use and associated emissions have been gathered largely from a collection of primary data, where this has not been possible, we have estimated consumption by extrapolating historic energy use – 1.7% of our energy use, 1.6% of our location-based and 5.3% of our market-based emissions have been estimated. Reported figures have been independently verified by the Carbon Trust.

We know that information about our greenhouse gas emissions is important to stakeholders and believe that providing this will support a more informed discussion about climate change. As such, alongside this year's CSR Report, we will publish a supplement providing detailed information about emissions from MAGIL's activities and other emissions indirectly associated with our business.

¹ We measure carbon intensity against traffic units, which are defined by the International Air Transport Organisation as equivalent to 1,000 passengers or 100 tonnes of freight. This year we have changed the scope of reported emissions so that it aligns with government's new Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting requirements, and we have restated 2018/19 emissions accordingly. Over the last five years, the emission intensity of our operations has reduced by 12%. Although our total energy use reduced this year, the emission intensity of our operations increased by 6%. This is because, due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and two airline customers ceasing trading, traffic units reduced by 3.3% and our use of vehicle fuel increased. All residual emissions have been offset, and our CSR Strategy includes a commitment to transition to zero carbon operations. More information about our carbon footprint is provided at page 20 of this Report.

² There was a slight reduction in the number of training placements provided. This is due to COVID-19 restrictions and low unemployment figures reducing the number of training referrals from Job Centres local to East Midlands Airport.

³ MAGIL's health and safety performance remains strong with a consistently low accident frequency rate. We experienced an increase in minor injuries resulting in absences of more than 7 days off work during 2018/19, improvements to return to work processes has seen this figure significantly improve over the last 12 months. Our analysis of MAGIL's performance against other UK airports shows that MAGIL's health and safety performance is one of the strongest of UK airports.

Corporate Governance Statement continued

Our sustainability performance continued

	2019/20	2018/19 ¹
Energy consumption used to calculate emissions (kWh)	207,863,924	208,525,600
Emissions from combustion of gas (Scope 1, tCO ₂ e)	9,158	9,752
Emissions from combustion of fuel for transport purposes (Scope 1, tCO ₂ e)	5,622	4,665
Emissions from business travel in rental cars or employee-owned vehicles where MAGIL is responsible for purchasing the fuel (Scope 3, tCO ₂ e)	90	98
Emissions from purchased electricity ⁵ (Scope 2, location-based, tCO ₂ e)	34,551	33,225
Emissions from purchased electricity (Scope 2, market-based, tCO ₂ e)	0	5.5
Total gross emissions based on the above (Location-based, tCO ₂ e)	49,421	47,739
Total gross emissions based on the above (Market-based, tCO ₂ e)	14,870	14,520
Intensity measure (Traffic units ⁶)	66,899	69,167
Intensity ratio (Location-based emissions, tCO ₂ e /traffic unit)	0.739	0.690
Intensity ratio ⁷ (Market-based emissions, tCO ₂ e /traffic unit)	0.222	0.210
Carbon offsets (purchased and retired, tCO ₂ e)	14,870	14,520
Total net emissions based on the above (Location-based, tCO ₂ e)	34,551	33,225
Total net emissions based on the above (Market-based, tCO ₂ e)	0	0

⁴ This year we have changed the scope of reported emissions so that it aligns with government's new Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting requirements, and we have restated 2018/19 emissions accordingly.

⁵ Location-based emissions are based on the average emission intensity of the UK electricity grid. MAG proactively chooses to purchase renewable electricity which is backed by Renewable Energy Guarantees of Origin. To demonstrate the carbon saving of our procurement decision we 'dual report' our location and market-based greenhouse gas emissions.

⁶ We measure carbon intensity against traffic units, which are defined by the International Air Transport Organisation as equivalent to 1,000 passengers or 100 tonnes of freight.

⁷ Over the last five years, the emission intensity of our operations has reduced by 12%. Although our total energy use reduced this year, the emission intensity of our operations increased by 6%. This is because, due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and two airline customers ceasing trading, traffic units reduced by 3.3% and our use of vehicle fuel increased. All residual emissions have been offset, and our CSR Strategy includes a commitment to transition to zero carbon operations.

The directors present their annual report on the affairs of Manchester Airport Group Investments Limited ('the Company') together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020.

Review of business and future developments

The consolidated results for the year under review commence on page 38. The Company intends to continue its development of the Group as an operator of high-quality airports and airport facilities both within the UK and overseas. During the current COVID-19 pandemic the Group's focus is: to keep its assets and its people safe; to prudently manage our expenditure profiles to match demand levels, and maintain sufficient funding to enable MAGIL to take advantage demand levels as they return. A more detailed review of the Group's principal activities, results and future developments is provided in the business overview and finance review sections of the strategic report.

Dividends and transfers to reserves

The retained profit for the year of £97.7m (2019: profit of £191.2m) after dividends paid of £nil (2019: £nil) will be transferred from reserves. In addition to the retained profit reserves were also adjusted by an increase of £25.6m reflecting: a gain of £23.9m relating to revision of actuarial assumptions relating to the Group's defined benefit pension schemes net of tax; a £1.7m movement on corporate tax rate.

Board of Directors

The company directors during the year are detailed on page 1.

Compliance with Corporate Governance Principles

This Annual Report and Financial Statements have been prepared in adherence with The Wates Governance Principles for Large Private Companies which can be found at <https://www.frc.org.uk>

Conflicts of interest

The Company has procedures in place for managing conflicts of interest. Should a director become aware that they, or their connected parties, have an interest in an existing or proposed transaction with the Group, they should notify the Board in writing as soon as reasonably practicable. Internal controls are in place to ensure that any related party transactions involving directors, or their connected parties, are conducted on an arm's length basis. Directors have a continuing duty to update any changes to these conflicts.

Indemnity and Insurance

The Company's Articles of Association provide that, to the extent permitted by the Companies Acts, the Company may indemnify any director, or former director, of the Company or of any associated companies, against any liability. Directors' and Officers' insurance has been established to provide cover for all Directors against their reasonable actions on behalf of the Company.

Statement of disclosure of information to the auditor

The directors who held office at the date of approval of this directors' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware; and each director has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information.

Contracts of significance

Details of contracts of significance with The Council of the City of Manchester are set out in note 33 to these financial statements.

Risk Management

The Board as a whole consider the nature and extent of the risk management framework, and the risk profile that is acceptable in order to achieve the Group's strategic objectives. The Audit Committee has reviewed the work done by management, the Committee itself and the Board, on the assessment of the Group's principal risks, including their impact on the prospects of the Company. The most significant strategic, corporate and operational risks and uncertainties, and the prevailing approach to their management, are detailed on pages 11 to 14.

Streamlined energy and carbon reporting (SECR)

As detailed on page 19 and 20.

Going concern

It should be recognised that any consideration of the foreseeable future involves making a judgement, at a particular point in time, about future events, which are inherently uncertain. The current economic conditions resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic have had a significant impact on the Group's activity levels from March 2020 onwards. The impacts upon the general economy and the airline industry specifically have continued into the current financial year FY21.

Going concern continued

As a result, management have considered reasonable downside scenarios for the business through FY21 and into FY22. The actions put in to place by MAGIL through its financing response, including the debt-holder consents obtained, mean that MAGIL's next covenant test is not measured until September 2021, with a reporting date of December 2021, being periods of 15 months and 19 months respectively from the date of signing of the accounts. MAGIL is therefore not expected to be in breach of its financial covenants, even in a downside scenario, for a period in excess of 12 months.

In addition, taking into account the previously outlined level of cash, new equity funding, and realisation of property, the directors are confident that the Group has sufficient funds to allow it to operate throughout this period even in reasonable downside scenarios.

MAGIL also has a window, in excess of 12 months, for the Group to consider and address any emerging new or more significant risks in relation to its financial position or for future financial covenant testing dates from September 2021 onwards. Potential actions would include aligning capital investment, operating costs and aviation tariffs with a lower traffic environment; sourcing additional financial support to remedy any short-term shortfalls; or negotiating waivers with the holders for any potential breach of future financial problems beyond the current consent period.

The potential future impact of COVID-19 creates considerable uncertainty in the aviation industry and subsequent travel volumes. Therefore, there is a risk that in the event of an extended period of severe trading downsides MAGIL might not meet the financial ratios for its September 2021 covenant test. Following its recent successful strategic response to the current impact of COVID-19, MAGIL would expect to be able to solve the issue through a number of measures available to it, including potentially negotiating further waivers. Nevertheless the possibility of a covenant breach at the end of September 2021 and the subsequent need to seek a waiver at that time or to take other action, cannot be excluded given the current uncertainty and as such represents a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt on the Group's and Company's ability to continue as a going concern. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that would be necessary if the going concern basis was inappropriate.

However, having considered all the relevant requirements, including MAGIL's financial position, likely forecasts and reasonable downsides, together with actions available to mitigate impacts and the time period available to act, it is accordingly appropriate to adopt a going concern basis for the preparation of the financial statements, and the directors have an expectation that the Group will have adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future.

Viability statement

The directors have assessed the viability of the Group over a three-year period, taking into account the Group's current position and the potential impact of the principal risks and uncertainties set out on pages 11 to 14. These risks include the impact of COVID-19 pandemic and the Group's business resilience and business continuity mitigation strategies. Based on this assessment, the directors confirm that they have a reasonable expectation that the Company will be able to continue in operation and meet its liabilities as they fall due over the period to 31 March 2023.

The directors have determined that a three-year period to 31 March 2023 constitutes an appropriate period over which to provide its viability statement. This is the period focused on by the Board during the strategic planning process and is aligned to our detailed passenger projections. The directors have no reason to believe the Group will not be viable over a longer period, given the inherent uncertainty involved we believe this presents users of the Annual Report with a reasonable degree of confidence while still providing a longer-term perspective.

In making this assessment the directors confirm that they have a reasonable expectation that the company can continue in operation and meet its liabilities throughout the period. The directors have considered the potential impact of COVID-19 on the cashflow and liquidity of the Group, over the period, together with the corresponding impact on the covenants associated with the Group's financing arrangements.

The current economic conditions resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic have had a significant impact on the Group's activity levels from March 2020 onwards. The impacts upon the general economy and the airline industry specifically have continued into the current financial year FY21.

The Group is subject to financial covenants on its Bond and Bank facilities, being leverage (Net Debt/EBITDA) and interest cover (EBITDA less tax/ net finance charges). The covenants are tested half yearly on 31 March and 30 September. As at 31 March 2020 the Group had complied with both of its covenants.

During the year ended 31 March 2020, the Group issued £350.0m in bonds with a maturity date of 30 September 2044. This increases the Group's committed facilities comprising: borrowings of £1.4bn of bonds which mature beyond the viability period; and a £500.0m Secured Revolving Credit Facility (which was fully drawn at the year-end) with the Group holding £234.0m in cash balances. The Group's Secured Revolving Credit Facility will mature in June 2023 and £360.0m of the Group's bonds will mature in 2024. The remaining £1,100.0m of Group bonds will mature between 2034 and 2044.

Whilst the implementation of IFRS 16 adds £412.3m into MAGIL's reported liabilities, together with boosting its asset base by £410.4m, the Group has negotiated banking covenants on the basis of Frozen GAAP. Consequently, the implementation of this new accounting standard, is not reflected in the banking covenant calculations.

Despite entering the crisis in a strong financial position, as a consequence of COVID-19 and the subsequent expected impact on EBITDA over the next 12 months, MAGIL would not have been able to avoid breaching its covenants when next testing at 30 September 2020.

Viability statement continued

MAGIL has therefore acted promptly and successfully implemented a strategic financing response. This includes significant cash mitigation measures across costs and capital expenditure, including reducing future forecast expenditures by over £380.0m over the next two years; recently securing receipt of £300.0m of additional funding from its shareholders; together with MAGIL's property book current held for resale as part of a review its portfolio, with realisation proceeds significantly in excess of £400.0m expected to be completed well within the next 12 months. All which together with MAGIL's strong liquidity position at 31 March provides adequate levels of funding beyond the next 12 months.

In addition, MAGIL has obtained comprehensive bank and bondholder support for its response, including obtaining waivers on its next two six-monthly financial covenant tests at 30 September 2020 and 31 March 2021, removing any risk on financial covenants during the next financial year.

Further details of the actions the Group has taken are included in the "our response to COVID-19" section of the Strategic report and the Business Outlook section of the Finance Review.

Management have also considered reasonable downside scenarios for the business throughout the viability period. The actions put in place by MAGIL through its financing response including the debt-holders consents obtained, mean that MAGIL's next covenants test is not measured until September 2021, with a reporting date of December 2021, being period of 15 and 19 months respectively from the date of signing of the accounts. MAGIL is therefore not expected to be in breach of its financial covenants, even in a downside scenario, for a period in excess of 12 months.

In addition, taking into account the previously outlined level of cash, new equity funding, and realisation of property, the directors are confident that the Group has sufficient funds to allow it to operate throughout the viability period even in reasonable downside scenarios.

MAGIL also has a window, in excess of 12 months, for the Group to consider and address any emerging new or significant risks in relation to its financial position or for future financial covenant testing dates from September 2021 onwards. Potential actions would include aligning capital investment, operating costs and aviation tariffs with a lower traffic environment; sourcing additional financial support to remedy any short-term shortfalls; or negotiating waivers with the holders for any potential breach of future financial problems beyond the current consent period.

Having considered all the relevant requirements; including MAGIL's financial position, likely forecast and reasonable downsides, together with actions available to mitigate impacts and the time period available to act, it is accordingly appropriate that the group will continue in operation and meet its liabilities as they fall due over the three year period to 31 March 2023.

Employees**Employment policies**

The Group's employment policies are regularly reviewed, refreshed where applicable and updated in agreement with the Board. The Group is committed to treating all employees and job applicants fairly and on merit, regardless of age, disability, gender and gender reassignment, marital and civil partnership status, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, and sexual orientation. The Group does not tolerate harassment or discrimination of any kind. If an employee becomes disabled, every effort is made to retain them in their current role or provide retraining or redeployment within the Group.

Apprentices and the National Living Wage

MAGIL remains fully supportive of apprenticeships. It increased its intake during the year ended 31 March 2020, with a view to enhancing talent pool diversity. The new and compulsory National Living Wage for workers aged 25 and over became effective on 1 April 2016. MAGIL is committed to paying all of its employees above the prescribed level.

Consultation and communication

Consultation with employees or their representatives has continued at all levels, with the aim of ensuring that their views are taken into account when decisions are being made that may affect their interests. As part of the Trade Union recognition arrangements, various employee forums exist for each business area, and more information on consultation is provided in the annual CSR report.

In addition, there are regular briefings in relation to key business and operational developments. These are cascaded throughout the organisation via weekly newsletters, face-to-face events and online forums. MAGIL also relaunched its colleague magazine "Take Off" which celebrates the work of individuals and teams across all airport and business areas.

This year also saw the continued success of AIM (All Ideas Matter), MAGIL's idea scheme which gives all colleagues the opportunity to share ideas for innovation and business improvement. Thousands of ideas were generated across all of our airports, which were reviewed by a panel with the best being taken forward for implementation.

Policy and practice on payment of creditors

The Group's current policy concerning the payment of the majority of its trade creditors is to follow the CBI's Prompt Payers Code, copies of which are available from the CBI, Cannon Place, 178 Cannon Street, London, EC4N 6HN. For other suppliers the Group's policy is to:

- settle the terms of payment with those suppliers when agreeing the terms of each transaction;
- ensure that those suppliers are made aware of the terms of payment by inclusion of the relevant terms in contracts; and
- pay in accordance with its contractual and other legal obligations.

These payment practices apply to all payments to creditors for revenue and capital supplies of goods and services without exception. The period of credit taken by the Group at 31 March 2020 was 46 days (2019: 58 days), reflecting the average number of days between receipt of the invoice and its subsequent payment.

Modern slavery act 2015

Our principal reference point for slavery and human trafficking are the definitions set out in the Modern Slavery Act 2015. We recognise that slavery and human trafficking can occur in many forms such as forced labour, child labour, domestic servitude, sex trafficking and workplace abuse. We are also aware that forced labour as a form of slavery includes debt bondage and the restriction of a person's freedom of movement whether that be physical or non-physical, for example, by the withholding of a worker's identity papers. We use the terms 'slavery' and 'human trafficking' to encompass all of these various forms of coerced labour.

We are committed to maintaining, and continuously improving, our practices to combat slavery and human trafficking. We are totally opposed to such abuses in our direct operations, our indirect operations and our supply chain as a whole, and understand that we have a responsibility to be alert to these risks in our business. All employees are expected to report concerns and management are expected to act upon them.

Charitable and Political Donations

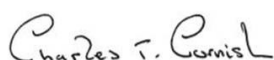
Charitable donations made by the Group during the year totalled £0.6m (2019: £1.0m). The donations were all made to recognised local and national charities for a variety of purposes. It is the Group's policy not to make contributions to political parties.

Auditor

Written resolutions relating to the reappointment of KPMG LLP as auditor, and to the authority of the directors to fix the auditor's remuneration, are to be put before the Company's voting shareholders for execution in the short term (and in the case of the former resolution, within the relevant period prescribed by statute). The most recent audit tender process was undertaken in 2017.

The Group assess the effectiveness of the audit process and the independence of the auditor on an annual basis. The evaluation of audit effectiveness takes into account the views of both management and the non-executive directors across a number of attributes. The independence of the external auditor considers both the quantum and the nature of non-audit services provided by the auditor during the year and ensures that compliant with both the Group's policy and the FRC's ethical guidance.

The report was approved and authorised by the Board and was issued on behalf of the Board.



Charlie Cornish
Chief Executive MAGIL
For and on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Company
9th July 2020

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 that law they are required to prepare the Group financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union (IFRSs as adopted by the EU) and applicable law and have elected to prepare the parent Company financial statements in accordance with UK accounting standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

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;
- for the Group financial statements, state whether they have been prepared in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the EU;
- for the parent Company financial statements, state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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 Act 2006. 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.

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MANCHESTER AIRPORTS GROUP INVESTMENTS LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Manchester Airports Group Investments Limited ("the company") for the year ended 31 March 2020 which comprise the Consolidated Income Statement, Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income, Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity, Consolidated Statement of Financial Position, Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows and related notes, including the accounting policies.

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and of the parent company's affairs as at 31 March 2020 and of the group's profit for the year then ended;
- the group financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union;
- the parent company financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with UK accounting standards, including FRS 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland*; and
- the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

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

Material uncertainty related to going concern

We draw attention to the accounting policies of the financial statements which describes uncertainties regarding the inherently uncertain trading environment, and specifically the potential breach of financial covenants at 30 September 2021. This, along with the other matters explained in the accounting policies, constitutes a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt on the Group and Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

Our opinion is not modified in this respect.

Strategic report and directors' report

The directors are responsible for the strategic report and the directors' report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover those reports and we do not express an audit opinion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the strategic report and the directors' report and, in doing so, consider whether, based on our financial statements audit work, the information therein is materially misstated or inconsistent with the financial statements or our audit knowledge. Based solely on that work:

- we have not identified material misstatements in the strategic report and the directors' report;
- in our opinion the information given in those reports for the financial year is consistent with the financial statements; and
- in our opinion those reports have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

Under the Companies Act 2006, we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the parent company, 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.

Directors' responsibilities

As explained more fully in their statement set out on page 25, the directors are responsible for: the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view; 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; assessing the group and parent 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 parent 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 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 financial statements.

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MANCHESTER AIRPORTS GROUP INVESTMENTS LIMITED CONTINUED

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 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 Sawdon (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants
15 Canada Square
London
E14 5GL
9 July 2020

Accounting policies

GENERAL INFORMATION

Manchester Airport Group Investments Limited (the 'Company') is a limited liability company incorporated and domiciled in England and Wales in the UK, under the Companies Act 2006. The address of the registered office is Olympic House, Manchester Airport, Manchester, M90 1QX.

The principal activities of the Group are set out within the Directors' Report. These consolidated financial statements were approved for issue by the Board of Directors on 9 July 2020.

BASIS OF PREPARATION

The directors have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis. In assessing the going concern position of the Group, the directors have considered the potential impact of COVID-19 on the cash flow and liquidity of the Group, over the next 12 months, together with the corresponding impact on the covenants associated with the Group's financing arrangements leading up to the next covenant test in September 2021.

The current economic conditions resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic have had a significant impact on the Group's activity levels from March 2020 onwards. The impacts upon the general economy and the airline industry specifically have continued into the current financial year FY21.

The Group is subject to financial covenants on its Bonds and Bank facilities, being leverage (Net Debt / EBITDA) and interest cover (EBITDA less tax / net finance charges). The covenants are tested half yearly on 31 March and 30 September. As at 31 March 2020 the Group had complied with both of its covenants.

At the year ended 31 March 2020 the Group had significant financial liquidity available of £244.0m comprising cash in hand of £234.0m together with £10.0m in undrawn committed overdraft facilities. The Group also has access to a committed £90.0m Liquidity Facility to ensure interest payment obligations can be kept current for over 12 months. The Group does not currently expect to utilise the Liquidity Facility.

Despite entering the crisis in a strong financial position, as a consequence of COVID-19 and the subsequent expected impact on EBITDA over the next 12 months, MAGIL would not have been able to avoid breaching its covenants when next tested at 30 September 2020.

MAGIL has therefore acted promptly and successfully implemented a strategic financing response. This includes significant cash mitigation measures across costs and capital expenditure, including reducing future forecast expenditures by over £380.0m over the next two years; recently securing receipt of £300.0m of additional funding from its shareholders; together with MAGIL's property book currently held for resale as part of a review of its portfolio, with realisation of proceeds significantly in excess of £400.0m expected to be completed well within the next 12 months. All which together with MAGIL's strong liquidity position at 31 March provides adequate levels of funding beyond the next 12 months.

In addition, MAGIL has obtained comprehensive bank and bondholder support for its response, including obtaining waivers on its next two six-monthly financial covenant tests at 30 September 2020 and 31 March 2021, removing any risk on financial covenants during the next financial year.

Further details of the actions the Group has taken are included in the "our response to COVID-19" and the "Business Outlook" section of the Financial Review.

The actual impact of COVID-19 is expected to become clearer over the course of this financial year. In recent weeks the level of infection has been falling in most countries, appropriate manageable protocols have been established for a safe return to air travel, governments are progressively beginning to reopen the borders, and flying has re-commenced. The expectation is that international markets will soon reopen fully with a gradual recovery of traffic through this year.

Management have also considered reasonable downside scenarios for the business through FY21 and into FY22. The actions put in place by MAGIL through its financing response, including the debt-holder consents obtained, mean that MAGIL's next covenant test is not measured until September 2021, with a reporting date of December 2021, beings periods of 15 months and 19 months respectively from the date of signing of the accounts. MAGIL is therefore not expected to be in breach of its financial covenants, even in a downside scenario, for a period in excess of 12 months.

In addition, taking into account the previously outlined level of cash, new equity funding, and realisation of property, the directors are confident that the Group has sufficient funds to allow it to operate throughout this period even in reasonable downside scenarios.

MAGIL also has a window, in excess of 12 months, for the Group to consider and address any emerging new or more significant risks in relation to its financial position or for future financial covenant testing dates from September 2021 onwards. Potential actions would include aligning capital investment, operating costs and aviation tariffs with a lower traffic environment; sourcing additional financial support to remedy any short-term shortfalls; or negotiating waivers with the holders for any potential breach of future financial problems beyond the current consent period.

Accounting policies continued

BASIS OF PREPARATION continued

The potential future impact of COVID-19 creates considerable uncertainty in the aviation industry and subsequent travel volumes. Therefore, there is a risk that in the event of an extended period of severe trading downsides MAGIL might not meet the financial ratios for its September 2021 covenant test. Following its recent successful strategic response to the current impact of COVID-19, MAGIL would expect to be able to solve the issue through a number of measures available to it, including potentially negotiating further waivers. Nevertheless the possibility of a covenant breach at the end of September 2021 and the subsequent need to seek a waiver at that time or to take other action, cannot be excluded given the current uncertainty and as such represents a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt on the Group's and Company's ability to continue as a going concern. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that would be necessary if the going concern basis was inappropriate.

However, having considered all the relevant requirements, including MAGIL's financial position, likely forecasts and reasonable downsides, together with actions available to mitigate impacts and the time period available to act, it is accordingly appropriate to adopt a going concern basis for the preparation of the financial statements, and the directors have an expectation that the Group will have adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future.

NEW STANDARDS, INTERPRETATIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING STANDARDS

The following new accounting standards, amendment to standards and interpretations both have an effective date of 1 January 2019 and was adopted by the Group for the year ended 31 March 2020:

IFRIC 23

- IFRIC 23 'Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments'; and
- IFRIC 23 changes the method of calculating provisions for uncertain tax positions. The adoption of this standards and interpretations has not had any material effect on the Group's results or net assets for the year ended 31 March 2020.

IFRS 16, 'Leases'

The new standard fundamentally changes the accounting for leases by lessees. It eliminates the IAS 17 dual accounting model, which distinguishes between on-balance sheet finance leases and off-balance sheet operating leases, and instead introduces a single, on-balance sheet accounting model that is similar to finance lease accounting

The Group has adopted IFRS 16 using the modified retrospective approach. The use of the modified retrospective approach does not permit restatement of prior year comparative figures. Note 35 to these accounts provides reconciliations of the primary financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020 as reported to the accounts that would have been prepared if the previous standard (IAS 17) was still in force. Additionally, management have ensured that the impact of IFRS 16 on the movement in APMs is highlighted by disclosing the underlying like-for-like movement. See financial headlines on page 7.

Transition

The Group has decided to adopt the modified retrospective transition approach and will not restate comparative amounts. The Group has elected to measure the right-of-use asset at the lease liability on adoption and apply the recognition exemption for both short-term and low-value assets.

In adopting the modified retrospective approach the Group applied the following practical expedients:

- applying the permitted exemptions of short-term and low value leases;
- discounting the lease liability at the incremental borrowing rate as at the transition date; and
- basing the value the right-of-use asset on the lease liability.

In the Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2019, the Group advised that it was preparing for the implementation of the new accounting standard and provided an indication of the quantum of right-of-use asset and finance lease liability it expected to recognise as a consequence. A full review of all of the lease terms and assumptions in preparation for this annual report refined the quantification of the impact upon the Group's lease portfolio. Note 37 provides a reconciliation of the operating lease and IFRS 16 disclosures in the Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2019 to the IFRS 16 impact recognised in this Interim Report.

The weighted average discount rate, based on incremental borrowing rates, across the Group lease portfolio was 5.27%. The discount rate for each lease is dependent on lease start date and term.

Accounting policies continued

NEW STANDARDS, INTERPRETATIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING STANDARDS continued

Impact of IFRS 16 on financial statements

The Group recognised an opening right of use assets and lease liabilities of £417.2m with no impact upon the Group's net assets.

The adoption of IFRS 16 resulted in the Group's income statement reflected an increase to EBITDA for the year ending March 2020 of £27.2m, with operating profit is increased by £19.2m as the new depreciation charge is lower than the current operating lease payments. However, finance charges increased by circa £21.6m with an overall decrease in profit before tax of circa £2.3m. There is no material impact on the Group's effective tax rate, though it does impact upon the disclosure of the Group's deferred tax balances.

Whilst the new standard does not impact on cash flows, the presentation of the cash flow statement changed significantly, with an increase in net cash inflows of £27.2m from operating activities being offset by an increase in net cash outflows of £21.6m of interest paid and £5.6m of financing activities (repayment of lease liability).

The impact of the changes to the Group's primary statements as a result of the new standard are shown in the reconciliation at note 35.

BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

These consolidated financial statements include the income statement, statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity, statement of financial position, and statement of cash flows of the Company and all of its subsidiaries.

Subsidiaries are entities controlled directly or indirectly by the Company. Control exists when the Company has the power (directly or indirectly) to direct relevant activities of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

Subsidiaries have been consolidated from the date that control commences until the date that control ceases. At such time, any resulting gain or loss is recognised in the profit and loss.

Transactions eliminated on consolidation

Intra-group balances and transactions, income and expenses and all profits and losses arising from intra-group transactions, are eliminated in preparing the Group financial statements.

REVENUE

The Group operates a number of revenue streams and accordingly applies methods for revenue recognition, based on the principles set out in IFRS 15. The revenue and profits recognised in any period are based on the delivery of performance obligations and an assessment of when control is transferred to the customer. Revenue is recognised either when the performance obligation in the contract has been performed (so 'point in time' recognition) or 'over time' as control of the performance obligation is transferred to the customer.

The following revenue recognition criteria apply to the Group's main income streams.

Aviation income:

- various passenger charges for handling and security, based upon the number of departing passengers, are recognised at point of departure.
- aircraft departure and arrival charges levied according to weight and time of departure/arrival, are recognised at point of departure/arrival.
- aircraft parking charges based upon a combination of weight and time parked, are recognised at point of departure. The contracts entered into are short-term pricing arrangements, which are complex in nature given the breadth of discounts and rebates that the Group offers. Judgement is applied to assess the impact any contract amendments have when determining the appropriate contract term.

Retail concession income:

- concession income from retail and commercial concessions is recognised in the period to which it relates on an accruals basis. The contracts entered into are long-term income-sharing concession agreements, with the concession fee based on turnover.
- income from airport lounges is recognised at the point of usage.

Car park income:

- car parking income is recognised at the point of exit for turn-up, short and long-stay parking.
- contract parking and pre-book parking is recognised over the period to which it relates on a straight-line basis. The Group considers the performance obligation is satisfied through the provision of a car park space for each day the car is parked.
- where car parking is booked through a third party, income and related commissions are accounted for on a gross basis as the Group is acting as a principal, rather than an agent, through its control of the pricing and availability of car park spaces.

Accounting policies continued

REVENUE continued

Property income:

- rental income arising on investment properties is accounted for on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The contracts being entered into are long-term lease arrangements.
- inter-company revenue arising from rental between the Group's operating segments has been eliminated.

Revenue is disaggregated at the income stream level, and all segments generate revenue from all of the Group's income streams, with the exception of MAGIL Property, which generates only property income, and the Group, consolidation and other segment, which does not earn aviation income.

At contract inception the total transaction price is estimated, being the amount to which the Group expects to be entitled and has rights to under the present contract. This includes an assessment of any variable consideration where the Group's performance may result in additional revenues based on the achievement of certain performance measures. In determining the amount of revenue and profits to record, and related balance sheet items (such as trade receivables, accrued income and deferred income) to recognise in the period, management are required to form a number of judgements and assumptions.

The Group's customer contracts include a diverse range of payment schedules dependent on the nature and type of services being provided. The Group agrees payment schedules at the beginning of contracts under which it receives payments throughout the term of the contracts. These payment schedules may include performance-based payments or progress payments as well as regular monthly or quarterly payments for ongoing service delivery. Payments for transactional goods and services may be at delivery date, in arrears or part payment in advance. Where payments made are greater than the revenue recognised at the period end date, the Group recognises a deferred income liability for this difference. Where payments made are less than the revenue recognised at the period end date, the Group recognises an accrued income asset for this difference. All performance obligations are satisfied within the financial year and there are no judgements or assumptions required to estimate transaction price or allocate revenue to performance obligations.

BUSINESS COMBINATIONS AND GOODWILL

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method as at the acquisition date, i.e. when the Group assumes control. Control exists when the Group has the power to direct relevant activities of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities. For acquisitions completed before 1 April 2010, attributable costs of the acquisition formed part of goodwill. For acquisitions completed on or after 1 April 2010, attributable costs of acquisition are expensed in the income statement in the period incurred.

Goodwill arising on acquisitions represents the difference between the fair value of the consideration given over the fair value of the assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of an acquired entity. Positive goodwill is capitalised as an asset in the consolidated statement of financial position and is subject to annual impairment reviews, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate a potential impairment. Any impairment is recognised immediately in the Group's consolidated income statement and is not subsequently reversed (see critical accounting judgements).

OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Intangible assets that are acquired by the Group have finite useful lives and are measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Subsequent expenditure is capitalised only when it increases future economic benefits embodied in the specific assets to which it relates. Amortisation is based on the costs of an asset less its residual value.

Amortisation is recognised in the income statement on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful economic life of the specific asset to which it relates, from the date that it is available for use. Amortisation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted if appropriate. The useful economic lives of the Group's intangible assets are detailed below:

	Years
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If there are indications of impairment in the carrying value then the recoverable amount is estimated and compared to the carrying amount.

Accounting policies continued

PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Property, plant and equipment constitutes the Group's operational asset base, and includes terminal, airfield, car parking, land, plant, and owner-occupied property assets. Investment properties held to earn rentals or for capital growth are accounted for separately under IAS 40 'Investment properties'.

The Group has elected to use the cost model under IAS 16 'Property, plant and equipment', as modified by the transitional exemption to account for assets at deemed cost that were revalued previously under UK GAAP. Deemed cost is the cost or valuation of assets as at 1 April 2005. Consequently, property, plant and equipment is stated at cost or deemed cost, less accumulated depreciation. Cost includes directly attributable own labour. Subsequent expenditure is capitalised only if it is probable that the future economic benefits associated with the expenditure will flow to the Group.

The Group capitalises borrowing costs into the cost of property, plant and equipment, if the criteria under IAS 23 are met. Depreciation is provided to write off the cost of an asset on a straight-line basis over the expected useful economic life of the relevant asset.

Expected useful lives are set out below:

	Years
Freehold and long leasehold property	10 – 50
Runways, taxiways and apron	5 – 75
Mains services	7 – 100
Plant and machinery	5 – 30
Motor vehicles	3 – 7
Fixtures, fittings, tools and equipment	5 – 10

Useful economic lives are reviewed on an annual basis, to ensure they remain relevant and appropriate.

No depreciation is provided on land. Repairs and maintenance costs are written off as incurred.

Assets under construction, which principally relate to airport infrastructure, are not depreciated until such time as they are available for use. If there are indications of impairment in the carrying value, then the recoverable amount is estimated and compared to the carrying amount. The recoverable amount is determined as the value that will ultimately be capitalised as an asset, based upon IAS 16 recognition and capitalisation criteria. Where indication of impairment occurs, the recoverable amount is determined based upon IAS16 recognition and capitalisation criteria. This carrying amount is assessed for impairment as part of the carrying value of the assets at each cash generating unit ("CGU") by comparison with the value in use generated by the CGU from its net cashflows.

When the use of a property changes from owner-occupied to investment property, the property is remeasured to fair value and reclassified accordingly.

INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

The Group accounts for investment properties in accordance with IAS 40 'Investment properties'. An investment property is one held to either earn rental income or for capital growth. The Group has elected to use the fair value model, and therefore investment properties are initially recognised at cost and then revalued to fair value at the reporting date by an independent property valuer.

Investment properties are not depreciated. Gains or losses in the fair value of investment properties are recognised in the income statement for the period in which they arise. Gains or losses on the disposal of an investment property are recognised in the income statement on completion.

If an investment property becomes owner-occupied, it is reclassified as property, plant and equipment and its fair value at the date of reclassification becomes its cost for subsequent accounting purposes.

IMPAIRMENT

The carrying amounts of the Group's assets are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying amount of an asset, or cash-generating unit, exceeds its recoverable amount. The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic was regarded by the directors as an impairment trigger. Consequently, an impairment review was performed at year end to assess the carrying value of the Group's assets.

Accounting policies continued

LEASES AND FIRST TIME ADOPTION OF IFRS 16

Impact of adoption of IFRS 16

This financial year, MAGIL have adopted IFRS 16 'Leases' for the first time, which has significantly changed lessee accounting. The key differences between this standard, and the previous standard IAS 17 are outlined below:

Affected primary statement	IFRS 16	IAS 17
Income statement	Depreciation on right-of-use assets, under "depreciation and amortisation" and interest expense on lease liabilities, under "finance costs".	Rent costs were recognised straight line in 'other operating charges', apportioning total rent due under the agreement across the length of the term.
Statement of financial position	Right-of-use assets held in non-current assets, lease liabilities held in current liabilities where due within a year, non-current liabilities otherwise.	No obligations for future lease payments were recognised on the statement of financial position, unless these obligations were under a finance lease (not applicable for MAGIL).
Statement of cash flows	Rent payments are analysed into interest and capital, with the interest element included in the "interest paid" line and the capital element included under "cash generated from financing activities".	All rent payments were recognised in "cash generated from continuing operations".

The impact of adoption of IFRS 16 on the primary statements and key APMs is discussed in further detail in note 37 to the financial statements.

Review of contracts for leases

At the inception of a contract, the Group assesses where a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to direct the use of an identified asset for a period of time, in exchange for consideration. As part of the adoption of IFRS 16, the Group has reviewed all existing contracts to assess whether they contain a lease.

The Group has opted to apply the practical expedient not to reassess whether contracts contain a lease/the Group reassesses existing contracts to confirm that they contain a lease.

Initial measurement

In line with the modified retrospective approach for IFRS 16, MAGIL have recognised lease liabilities measured at the present value of lease payments outstanding at the adoption date of 1 April 2019, discounting by applying the Group's incremental borrowing rate wherever the interest rate implicit in the lease cannot be determined. Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability include:

- fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payments
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or rate, initially measured using the prevailing index or rate as at the adoption date
- amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee
- 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 right-of-use asset is measured at the amount of the lease liability, adjusted for any prepayments made at or before the adoption date, plus any direct costs incurred to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or restore the underlying asset on the site on which it is located, less any lease incentives received.

Subsequent measurement

The lease liability is subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest method, whilst the right-of-use asset is depreciated straight line over the remaining lease term as at the date of adoption.

The liability is remeasured when:

- there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in index or rate,
- 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 such a remeasurement occurs, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, with any further adjustment required from remeasurement being recorded in the income statement.

Low value and short lease exemption

MAGIL has elected to not recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities under leases of a duration of under one year; and low-value leases. The expense recognised in the income statement relating to such leases is below the £100,000 used for rounding in these financial statements, and therefore is not disclosed.

Accounting policies continued

INVENTORIES

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

GRANTS

Revenue grants are recognised in the income statement during the periods to which they relate.

Grants received and receivable relating to property, plant and equipment are shown as a deferred credit in current and non-current liabilities on the statement of financial position. An annual transfer to the income statement is made on a straight-line basis over the expected useful life of the asset for which the grant was received.

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Financial instruments are classified at fair value, and subsequently measured at amortised cost, Fair Value through Profit or Loss (FVPL) or Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI).

The Group's treatment of financial assets and liabilities:

- Trade receivables are recognised initially at their transaction price with a loss allowance provided based upon the estimated credit loss.
- All financial liabilities (corporate bonds, bank loans and overdrafts and trade and other payables) within the scope of IFRS9 are recognised at amortised cost.

Expected credit loss

The Group applies IFRS 9 to measuring expected credit losses which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance for all trade receivables. To measure the expected credit losses, the Group have grouped trade receivables based on shared credit risk characteristics, including the customer's industry and the days past due. The Group's historical loss rates are considered alongside current and forward-looking information on macroeconomic factors affecting the ability of the customers to settle the receivables and reasonable forecasts.

The Group's definition of default is based on the ageing of the debts and will also consider the financial status of the customer.

CONTINGENT ASSETS

Contingent assets are primarily insurance related, and mitigate losses caused by claims against the Company. Contingent assets are only recognised when they are virtually certain and are presented in other debtors, separate from the associated provision amount. However, they are presented net in the profit and loss account.

ASSETS HELD FOR SALE AND DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

The Group accounts for assets held for sale if their carrying amount will be recovered through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use and a sale is considered highly probable. They are measured at the lower of their carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell, except for assets such as deferred tax and investment property that are carried at fair value.

Non-current assets (including those that are part of a disposal group) are not depreciated or amortised while they are classified as held for sale and equity-accounted investee is no longer equity accounted.

The assets and liabilities of a disposal group classified as held for sale are presented separately from the other assets in the balance sheet.

Discontinued operations are a component of the Group that has been disposed of or is classified as held for sale and that represents a separate major line of business, is part of a single coordinated plan to disposal of such a line of business. When an operation is classified as a discontinued operation, the comparative statement is profit or loss and OCI is represented as if the operation had been discontinued from the start of the comparative year.

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash in hand, bank deposits and short-term deposits net of bank overdrafts, which have an original maturity of three months or less.

BORROWINGS

Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value, net of transaction costs. Borrowings are subsequently stated at amortised cost. Any difference between the amount initially recognised (net of transaction costs) and the redemption value is recognised in the income statement over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

Accounting policies continued

BORROWING COSTS

The Group does not capitalise borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets into the cost of property, plant and equipment, unless the criteria under IAS 23 are met. Where the criteria is met, borrowing costs are calculated by applying an average interest rate in the period to the expenditure incurred on qualifying assets.

All other borrowing costs are recognised in the income statement over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

PROVISIONS

A provision is recognised in the statement of financial position when the Group has a legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. If the effect is material, provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects the current market assessments of the time value of money, and where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability.

TAXATION

The tax expense for the year comprises current and deferred tax.

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and takes into account deferred tax due to temporary differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities, and the accounting bases of assets and liabilities in the financial statements. The principal constituents of the deferred tax liability in the Group financial statements are temporary differences on property, plant and equipment, where the carrying value in the financial statements is in excess of the tax base due to accelerated capital allowances, and the previous effects of revaluations under UK GAAP.

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is regarded as probable that the temporary difference can be utilised against taxable profit in the future. Current tax and deferred tax relating to items recognised directly in equity, are also recognised directly in equity. Deferred tax is based on the tax laws and rates that have been enacted at the statement of financial position date and which are expected to apply when the relevant deferred tax item is realised or settled. Current tax has been calculated at the rate of 19% applicable to accounting periods ending 31 March 2020 (2019: 19%).

EMPLOYEE BENEFIT COSTS

The Group participates in four defined benefit schemes, which are contracted out of the state scheme, as well as two defined contribution schemes. The costs of defined contribution schemes are charged to the income statement in the year in which they are incurred. Defined benefit schemes are accounted for as an asset or liability on the statement of financial position. The asset or liability reflects the present value of defined benefit obligations, less the fair value of plan assets. The amount reported in the income statement for employee benefit costs includes past service costs, current service costs, interest costs and return on assets income. Past service costs are charged to the income statement immediately, and current service costs are charged to the income statement for the period to which they relate.

The net interest cost is calculated by applying the discount rate to the net balance of the defined benefit obligation and the fair value of plan assets. This cost is included as an employee benefit expense in the income statement.

Actuarial gains and losses are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income in the period in which they arise. The defined benefit asset or liability, together with the current and past service costs, are calculated at the reporting date by an independent actuary using the projected unit credit method.

Under IFRIC 14 'IAS 19 – The Limit on a Defined Benefit Asset, Minimum Funding Requirements and their Interaction', surpluses on pension schemes are not recognised unless there is an unconditional right to recover or realise them at some point during the life of the plan. The unconditional right would not exist when the availability of the refund or the reduction in future contribution would be contingent upon factors beyond the entity's control (for example, approval by third parties such as plan trustees). To the extent that the right is contingent, no asset would be recognised.

SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

Significant items are material items of income and expense that, because of the unusual nature or frequency of the events giving rise to them, merit separate presentation to allow an understanding of the Group's underlying financial performance. Such items include impairment of assets, major reorganisation of businesses and integration costs associated with significant acquisitions. They also include the costs associated with the close out of previous financing arrangements upon refinancing.

Accounting policies continued

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

In applying the Group's accounting policies, the Group has made estimates and judgements concerning the future. Actual results may, however, differ from the estimates calculated, and management believe that the investment properties, leases, discontinued operation, going concern, pensions and goodwill categories contain the more significant judgements impacting these financial statements.

COVID-19 has had a significant impact upon the accounting estimates & judgements as at the reporting date. The Group has had to consider this impact in presenting the financial statements to this report. The critical accounting estimates areas of: valuation of investment properties; valuation of the Group's net pension liability; discount rate applied to leases under IFRS 16 and the impairment of the Group's non-financial assets are detailed below:

GOING CONCERN

The impact of COVID-19 has resulted in the Group obtaining waivers from the requirements to perform loan covenant testing and obtain additional shareholder funding to ensure that the Group has adequate headroom going forward.

The directors have evaluated whether these actions, coupled with further mitigating actions that the Group can undertake are sufficient to ensure that MAGIL will continue as a going concern for plausible future trading scenarios reflecting the likely timing and rate of recovery of the sector. Based upon the assessment, outlined at page 28, the directors have concluded to regard MAGIL as a going concern for the purpose of these financial statements.

INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

Investment properties were valued at fair value at 31 March 2020 by Savills, Strutt and Parker and Fisher German. The valuations were prepared in accordance with IFRS and the appraisal and valuation manual issued by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. Valuations were carried out having regard to comparable market evidence of transaction prices for similar properties, land valuations and discounted cash flow methods.

The value of the Group's Investment Properties has been included at the values advised by its professional advisors. This has been revised in the case of the Group's non-core property portfolio which is currently being held for sale. Following the Group's decision to enter a period of exclusivity with a potential purchaser the valuation of the non-core property portfolio reflects the offer less anticipated selling costs.

PENSIONS

Certain assumptions have been adopted for factors that determine the valuation of the Group's liability for pension obligations at year end, future returns on pension scheme assets and charges to the income statement. The factors have been determined in consultation with the Group's independent actuary taking into account market and economic conditions.

Changes in assumptions can vary from year to year as a result of changing conditions and other determinants which may cause increases or decreases in the valuation of the Group's liability for pension obligations. The objective of setting pension scheme assumptions for future years is to reflect the expected actual outcomes. The impact of the change in assumptions on the valuation of the net financial position for pension schemes is reflected in the statement of recognised gains and losses. Further details are available in note 26.

LEASES

In adopting the new lease standard IFRS 16 estimates have been made in applying the Group's incremental borrowing rate to each lease in order to calculate the liability. This has involved estimating premium over the risk-free reflecting the nature of the asset using external benchmark data, the credit risk of MAGIL as a lessee, country risk and the long duration of MAGIL's most significant leases.

Additionally, judgement was applied in determining the lease term within the portfolio where options to extend existed. Consideration was given to the likelihood of the extension being exercised in calculating the lease liability.

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

Classification of MAGIL's non-core property portfolio as a discontinued operation required management's judgement following the noncompletion of the sale process during March 2020. With the delay caused by factors beyond MAGIL's control and the Group remaining committed to the sales process, management assessed whether it was highly probable that a firm purchase commitment would be received within one year in order to confirm that the classification as discontinued operations was appropriate.

Accounting policies continued**CARRYING VALUE OF NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS (INCLUDING GOODWILL)**

Estimates have been made in respect of the amounts of future operating cash flows to be generated by through the Group's cash generating units (CGUs), in order to assess whether there has been any impairment of the amounts of the Group's assets included in the statement of financial position.

The directors have viewed that COVID-19 has acted as an impairment trigger of its long-term assets and consequently have assessed the recoverable amounts of its principal CGUs. The assessment of recoverable amounts based upon Value in Use projections of future operating cashflows of the businesses which are based upon a range of assumptions of the timing and rate of economic recovery from the pandemic and the resultant impact upon the Group's trading levels.

The Group has considered future traffic levels projections issued by other industry participants in arriving at its own projections which were used for both the impairment review and the Group's going concern assessment. These projections considered the timing and rate of recovery to pre-COVID-19 activity levels. For impairment purposes long-term projections beyond the 5-year business plan time horizon were based upon long-term growth rates. Downside scenarios included low-growth assumptions in considering risks around recoverability of the assets carrying value

Consolidated income statement*for the year ended 31 March 2020*

	Note	2020 £m Continuing operations	2020 £m Discontinued operations	2020 £m Total business	2019 £m Continuing operations	2019 £m Discontinued operations	2019 £m Total business
Revenue	1	872.1	28.9	901.0	851.4	27.7	879.1
Result from operations before significant items	4	202.6	25.2	227.8	207.3	22.1	229.4
Significant items	3	(17.4)	(6.2)	(23.6)	(9.4)	(5.8)	(15.2)
Result from operations		185.2	19.0	204.2	197.9	16.3	214.2
Gains and losses on sales and valuation of investment properties	15	2.2	9.2	11.4	16.9	28.9	45.8
Finance income	7	18.8	-	18.8	14.0	-	14.0
Finance costs	8	(54.3)	(14.7)	(69.0)	(19.0)	(14.6)	(33.6)
Result before taxation		151.9	13.5	165.4	209.8	30.6	240.4
Taxation - result from operations before significant items	10	(62.9)	(1.8)	(64.7)	(38.5)	(8.6)	(47.1)
Taxation - significant items	10	(3.0)	-	(3.0)	(2.1)	-	(2.1)
Result for the period		86.0	11.7	97.7	169.2	22.0	191.2
Earnings per share expressed in pence per share	12	49.1	6.7	55.8	128.5	16.7	145.3

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

Consolidated statement of comprehensive income

for the year ended 31 March 2020

	Note	2020 £m	2019 £m
Result for the year		97.7	191.2
Other comprehensive income/(expense)			
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:			
Remeasurement of retirement benefit liabilities	26	31.0	3.5
Deferred tax on remeasurement of retirement benefit liabilities	10	(7.1)	(0.6)
Effect of change in rate of corporation tax on deferred tax	10	1.7	-
Other comprehensive income/(expense) for the year		25.6	2.9
Total comprehensive income for the year		123.3	194.1

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

Consolidated statement of changes in equity

for the year ended 31 March 2020

	Note	Attributable to equity holders of the Group				Total £m
		Share capital £m	Share premium £m	Other reserves £m	Retained Earnings £m	
Balance at 1 April 2019		175.3	2,668.9	(1,249.6)	776.2	2,370.8
Total comprehensive income for the year						
Result for the year		-	-	-	97.7	97.7
Remeasurement of defined benefit liabilities, net of tax	26, 10	-	-	-	23.9	23.9
Effect of change in rate of corporation tax on deferred tax	10	-	-	-	1.7	1.7
		-	-	-	123.3	123.3
Transactions with owners recorded directly in equity						
Dividends paid to equity holders		-	-	-	-	-
Balance at 31 March 2020		175.3	2,668.9	(1,249.6)	899.5	2,494.1

Consolidated statement of changes in equity

for the year ended 31 March 2019

	Note	Attributable to equity holders of the Group				Total £m
		Share capital £m	Share premium £m	Other reserves £m	Reserves £m	
Balance at 1 April 2018		0.3	2,493.9	(1,249.6)	582.1	1,826.7
Total comprehensive income for the year						
Issue of shares		175.0	175.0	-	-	350.0
Result for the year		-	-	-	191.2	191.2
Remeasurement of defined benefit liabilities, net of tax	26, 10	-	-	-	2.9	2.9
		175.0	175.0	-	194.1	544.1
Transactions with owners recorded directly in equity						
Dividends paid to equity holders		-	-	-	-	-
Balance at 31 March 2019		175.3	2,668.9	(1,249.6)	776.2	2,370.8

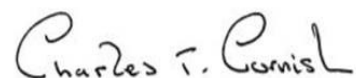
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Consolidated statement of financial position*as at 31 March 2020*

	Note	2020 £m	2019 £m
Non-current assets			
Goodwill	16	166.3	166.3
Intangible assets	16	38.9	39.5
Property, plant and equipment	13	3,305.5	2,950.3
Right-of-use assets	14	410.4	-
Investment properties	15	137.5	552.6
Deferred tax assets	28	87.0	14.2
		4,145.6	3,722.9
Current Assets			
Assets held for sale	17	443.8	2.6
Inventories	18	5.1	3.5
Trade and other receivables	19	92.8	128.0
Cash and cash equivalents	20	234.0	23.4
Amounts owed by group undertakings		1,286.3	1,352.2
		2,062.0	1,509.7
Current Liabilities			
Liabilities directly associated with assets held for sale	17	(73.7)	-
Trade and other payables	26	(270.6)	(239.5)
Deferred income		(19.3)	(25.8)
Current lease liabilities	27	(5.3)	-
Current tax liabilities	10	(28.3)	(64.7)
Amounts owed to group undertakings		(656.7)	(975.0)
		(1,053.9)	(1,305.0)
Net current assets		1,008.1	204.7
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	21-24	(1,923.3)	(1,230.7)
Retirement benefit liabilities	26	(46.2)	(83.9)
Non-current lease liabilities	27	(407.0)	-
Deferred tax liabilities	28	(261.3)	(223.1)
Other non-current liabilities	29	(21.8)	(19.1)
		(2,659.6)	(1,556.8)
Net Assets		2,494.1	2,370.8
Shareholders' equity			
Share capital	30	175.3	175.3
Share premium	30	2,668.9	2,668.9
Other reserve	31	(1,249.6)	(1,249.6)
Retained earnings	31	899.5	776.2
Total equity		2,494.1	2,370.8

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 28 to 82 were approved by the Board of Directors on 9 July 2020 and signed on its behalf by:



Charlie Cornish, Group Chief Executive, MAGIL

Consolidated statement of cash flows

for the year ended 31 March 2020

		2020 £m	2020 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m	2019 £m	2019 £m
	Note	Before significant items	Significant items	After significant items	Before significant items	Significant items	After significant items
Cash flows from operating activities							
Result before taxation - continuing operations		169.3	(17.4)	151.9	219.2	(9.4)	209.8
Gains and losses on sales and valuations of investment properties		(2.2)	-	(2.2)	(16.9)	-	(16.9)
Net finance income and expense		35.5	-	35.5	5.0	-	5.0
Depreciation and amortisation		176.8	-	176.8	152.4	-	152.4
Profit on sale of property, plant and equipment		-	-	-	(1.8)	-	(1.8)
Decrease in trade and other receivables and inventories		21.0	-	21.0	15.3	-	15.3
(Increase)/decrease in amounts owed by group companies		(6.6)	-	(6.6)	0.7	-	0.7
(Decrease)/increase in trade and other payables		12.6	-	12.6	14.2	1.3	15.5
Release of grants		2.8	-	2.8	6.4	-	6.4
Increase in retirement benefits provision		(10.8)	10.5	(0.3)	0.1	-	0.1
Cash generated from continuing operations		398.4	(6.9)	391.5	394.6	(8.1)	386.5
Result before taxation - discontinued operation				13.5			30.6
Finance expense - discontinued operation				14.7			14.6
Non-cash movements - discontinued operation				(9.0)			(24.6)
Interest paid				(78.4)			(49.8)
Tax paid				(58.8)			(50.4)
Net cash from operating activities				273.5			306.9
Cash flows from investing activities							
Purchase of property, plant and equipment				(501.5)			(557.3)
Proceeds (net of selling costs) from sale of property, plant, equipment and investment properties				2.1			15.3
Proceeds from the sale of assets held for sale				0.7			-
Provision of funds to other group companies				(36.3)			(13.9)
Net cash used in investing activities				(535.0)			(555.9)
Cash flows from financing activities							
Decrease/(increase) in bank loan borrowings, net of debt issue costs				349.0			135.1
Proceeds from issue of ordinary shares				-			350.0
Funds received from shareholder				18.7			-
Bond issued in the year, net of issue costs				341.9			-
Payment of principal on lease liabilities				(5.6)			-
Payment of shareholder loan interest on MAHL's behalf				(32.6)			(48.6)
Dividends paid to shareholders				(199.3)			(174.7)
Net cash from financing activities				472.1			261.8
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	34			210.6			12.8
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period				23.4			10.6
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period				234.0			23.4

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements continued

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1 Revenue

An analysis of the Group's revenue is as follows:

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Aviation income	361.2	354.5
Commercial income		
Retail concessions	185.5	191.1
Car parking	228.5	217.9
Property and property related income	18.7	18.5
Other	78.2	69.4
Total commercial income	510.9	496.9
Total income - continuing operations	872.1	851.4
Income - discontinued operations ¹	28.9	27.7
Total income	901.0	879.1

¹ All income from discontinued operations relates to property and property related income

Aviation income includes passenger facility charges, runway charges, passenger security charges and aircraft parking charges, all of which are recognised at the point of departure.

Retail concessions includes duty free income, food and beverage income and airport lounge income.

Other income includes utility cost recharges, fees for airline services and aviation fuel sales.

Revenue from all income streams is recognised in line with IFRS 15.

As at 31 March 2020 there were no revenue recognised relating to performance obligations that were unsatisfied as at the year end. Any billing where performance obligations were not satisfied are held in deferred income.

Notes to the financial statements continued

for the year ended 31 March 2020

2. Business and geographical segments

For management purposes, the Group is organised into four main operating divisions: Manchester Airport, London Stansted Airport, East Midlands Airport and MAG Property.

The reportable segments are consistent with how information is presented to the Group Chief Executive (Chief Operating Decision Maker) to report its primary information for the purpose of assessment of performance and allocation of resources, with information primarily presented at a segmental operating profit level.

The primary business of all of these operating divisions is the operation and development of airport facilities in the UK, and accordingly, no separate secondary segmental information is provided.

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	Manchester Airport	London Stansted Airport	East Midlands Airport	MAG property	Group, consolidation and other ³	Consolidated - continuing operations	Discontinued operations
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Revenue							
Total revenue	437.8	365.2	71.1	2.6	2.1	878.8	28.9
Inter-segment sales ⁴	(3.3)	-	-	-	(3.4)	(6.7)	-
External Revenue	434.5	365.2	71.1	2.6	(1.3)	872.1	28.9
Result							
Segment operating profit/(loss) before significant items	108.1	101.2	12.2	(4.2)	(14.7)	202.6	25.2
Significant items	(1.6)	7.3	(0.4)	-	(22.7)	(17.4)	(6.2)
Segment operating profit/(loss) after significant items	106.5	108.5	11.8	(4.2)	(37.4)	185.2	19.0
Gains and losses on sales and valuation of investment properties						2.2	9.2
Finance income						18.8	-
Finance costs						(54.3)	(14.7)
Result before taxation						151.9	13.5
Other information							
Segment assets	3,099.4	1,187.3	285.4	(Note 1)	1,192.0	5,764.1	443.8
Segment liabilities	(544.9)	(420.4)	(65.5)	(Note 1)	(2,609.3)	(3,640.1)	(73.7)
Capital expenditure	364.1	102.2	15.4	(Note 1)	31.6	513.3	7.9
Depreciation	91.1	69.2	12.7	(Note 1)	1.3	174.3	0.2
Amortisation	2.5	-	-	(Note 1)	-	2.5	-
Taxation	38.5	33.2	7.3	(Note 1)	(9.4)	69.6	1.8
Result - geographical location²							
Segment operating profit/(loss) before significant items	103.9	101.2	12.2	(Note 2)	(14.7)	202.6	25.2

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2. Business and geographical segments continued

Year ended 31 March 2019

	Manchester Airport £m	London Stansted Airport £m	East Midlands Airport £m	MAG property £m	Group, consolidation and other ³ £m	Consolidated - continuing operations £m	Discontinued operations £m
Revenue							
Total revenue	425.7	359.3	68.9	0.6	0.9	855.4	27.7
Inter-segment sales ⁴	-	-	-	-	(4.0)	(4.0)	-
External Revenue	425.7	359.3	68.9	0.6	(3.1)	851.4	27.7
Result							
Segment operating profit/(loss) before significant items	111.8	104.1	11.8	(3.8)	(16.6)	207.3	22.1
Significant items	(2.9)	(0.1)	(0.2)	(0.1)	(6.1)	(9.4)	(5.8)
Segment operating profit/(loss) after significant items	108.9	104.0	11.6	(3.9)	(22.7)	197.9	16.3
Gains and losses on sales and valuation of investment properties						16.9	28.9
Finance income						14.0	-
Finance costs						(19.0)	(14.6)
Result before taxation						209.8	30.6
Other information							
Segment assets	2,483.6	938.2	241.5	(Note 1)	1,569.3	5,232.6	-
Segment liabilities	(1,066.3)	(178.8)	(65.2)	(Note 1)	(1,551.5)	(2,861.8)	-
Capital expenditure	401.5	151.1	13.4	(Note 1)	13.2	579.2	-
Depreciation	75.8	62.3	11.6	(Note 1)	0.2	149.9	-
Amortisation	2.5	-	-	(Note 1)	-	2.5	-
Taxation	3.7	24.4	4.9	(Note 1)	11.4	44.4	8.6
Result - geographical location²							
Segment operating profit/(loss) before significant items	108.0	104.1	11.8	(Note 2)	(16.6)	207.3	22.1

¹ The Group's reporting structure is such that the assets and liabilities of MAG Property are included in the Manchester Airport statement of financial position.

² For management accounting purposes MAG reports property income and profit on sale of property assets (excluding London Stansted) within the MAG Property division. For statutory purposes property income and profit on disposal of core property assets is reported in the subsidiary companies depending on the geographical location of the investment properties and property, plant and equipment. For non-core properties these are reported within the figures of the property division.

³ Group consolidation and other includes Group, Head Office and other subsidiary companies and balances arising on consolidation, which are not specific to the other main operating divisions. Assets include goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on consolidation. Liabilities include borrowings, further details of which can be found in note 22 Borrowings.

⁴ Sales between segments are at arm's length.

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3. Significant items

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Recorded in result from continuing operations		
Significant items ¹	17.4	9.4
Total significant items recorded in result from continuing operations	17.4	9.4
Recorded in result from discontinued operations		
Significant items incurred by discontinued operations ²	6.2	1.5
Loss on sale of discontinued operations ²	-	4.3
Total significant items recorded in result from discontinued operations	6.2	5.8
Total significant items	23.6	15.2

Notes:

¹ Significant items from continuing operations

Significant items of £17.4m (2019: £9.4m) include a number of restructuring programmes across the Group including M&A activity £2.7m, the additional pensions and associated costs of £12.2m relating to the McCloud judgement (£1.8m) and the transfer of employees from the Group's defined benefit to a defined contribution scheme (£10.4m). Additionally the Group incurred incremental costs of £0.7m directly relating to COVID-19 during March 2020 and £1.1m additional operating costs that have been incurred as a result of the ongoing Manchester Transformational Programme works. The £6.2m costs disclosed within discontinued operations relates directly to the sale of the Group's non-core property portfolio including advisory fees and additional works not part of the normal course of business.

² Significant items from discontinued operations

Significant items of £6.2m (2019: £5.8m) relates directly to the sale of the Group's non-core property portfolio including advisory fees and additional works not part of the normal course of business.

4. Result from operations before significant items

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Turnover	872.1	851.4
Wages and salaries	(212.1)	(204.3)
Social security costs	(20.8)	(19.5)
Pension costs	(22.6)	(19.1)
Employee benefit costs	(255.5)	(242.9)
Depreciation and amortisation	(176.8)	(152.4)
(Loss)/Profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	1.8
Other operating charges ¹	(237.2)	(250.6)
Result from continuing operations before significant items	202.6	207.3
Result from discontinued operations before significant items	25.2	22.1
Result from operations before significant items - total business	227.8	229.4

Notes:

¹. Other operating charges includes maintenance, variable rent, rates, utility costs and other operating expenses.

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5. Employee information

The average number of persons employed by the Company (including directors) during the year, analysed by category, was as follows:

	2020 Number	2019 Number
By location		
Manchester Airport	3,747	3,343
London Stansted Airport	1,872	1,694
East Midlands Airport	593	558
	6,212	5,595

Manchester Airport includes Group and Head Office as well as operational employees. The calculation for the average number of employees has been calculated for both 2020 and 2019 to reflect full-time equivalent (FTEs) employees.

6. Directors' emoluments

Further details of directors' emoluments and a description of the Group's remuneration policy are set out on pages 27 to 29 of the annual report and accounts for Manchester Airports Holdings Limited.

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Directors' emoluments		
Aggregate emoluments	5.9	6.5

An amount of £0.1m (2019: £0.2m) was paid into money purchase schemes in respect of two directors (2019: two). Consistent with the treatment in prior years the amounts above include STIP payments during the year of £1.8m (2019: £1.7m) paid relating to prior periods and LTIP amounts accrued of £1.7m (2019: £2.4m).

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Key management compensation		
Aggregate emoluments	9.4	9.2

Key management for the Group are the Board of Directors and members of the Executive Committee (EXCO) who control and direct the Group's operational activities and resources. Consistent with the treatment in prior years the amounts above include STIP payments during the year of £2.5m (2019: £2.6m) paid relating to prior periods and LTIP amounts accrued of £2.8m (2019: £3.0m).

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Highest paid director		
Aggregate emoluments	2.0	2.2

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7 Finance income

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Interest receivable from Group undertakings	18.8	14.0
Total finance income	18.8	14.0

8. Finance costs

	Note	2020 £m	2019 £m
Interest payable on bank loans and overdrafts		3.4	2.7
Interest payable on bonds		54.9	45.2
Interest cost on defined benefit pension schemes	28	2.2	2.1
Interest expense on lease liabilities ¹		21.4	-
Capitalisation of borrowing costs	13	(12.9)	(16.4)
Total finance costs		69.0	33.6

¹ Lease interest expense reflected in current year figures following the adoption of IFRS 16 by the Group.
£14.7 m (2019: £14.6m) of finance costs are attributable to discontinued operations.

9. Result before taxation

	Note	2020 Continuing operations £m	2020 Discontinued operations £m	2019 Continuing operations £m	2019 Discontinued operations £m
Result before taxation has been arrived at after charging/(crediting):					
Hire of plant and machinery – operating leases (IAS 17) ⁴		-	-	0.4	-
Hire of other assets – operating leases (IAS 17) ⁴		-	-	26.4	-
Release of capital based grants		(0.4)	-	(0.4)	-
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	13	166.5	-	149.8	-
Depreciation of right-of-use assets ¹	14	8.0	-	-	-
Amortisation of intangible assets	16	2.5	-	2.5	-
Profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment		-	-	(1.8)	-
Significant items ³	3	17.4	6.2	5.1	5.8
Gains and losses on sales and valuation of investment properties	2, 15	(2.2)	(9.2)	(16.9)	(28.9)
Interest charged on lease liabilities	27	21.6	-	-	-
Employee benefit costs	4	255.5	1.2	242.9	0.3
Auditor's remuneration²					
Audit of these financial statements		0.2	-	0.1	-
Amounts receivable by the Company's Auditor and its associates in respect of:					
Audit of subsidiaries' financial statements		0.3	-	0.2	-
Other services relating to taxation & other consultancy		0.1	-	0.1	-
Total auditor's remuneration		0.6	-	0.4	-

¹ Depreciation expense reflected in the current year figures following the adoption of IFRS 16 by the Group

² A description of the work of the Audit Committee is set out in the Leadership and Governance section within the MAHL annual report and accounts. This includes an explanation of how Auditor objectivity and independence is safeguarded when non audit services are provided by the Auditor.

³ Significant items have been separately disclosed on the face of the consolidated income statement. Further details of these items are shown in note 3.

⁴ Other lease charges for the current year are amounts included in the P&L under IFRS 16, the prior year comparative relates to operating lease charges under IAS 17.

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10. Taxation

Analysis of charge in the year

	2020 £m	2020 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m	2019 £m	2019 £m
	Continued operations	Discontinued operations	Total	Continued operations	Discontinued operations	Total
Current taxation						
UK corporation tax on profits for the year	43.2	2.0	45.2	48.2	1.6	49.8
Adjustment in respect of prior year	(0.4)	-	(0.4)	(3.5)	-	(3.5)
Total current taxation	42.8	2.0	44.8	44.7	1.6	46.3
Deferred taxation						
Temporary differences arising in the year	2.1	(0.1)	2.0	(2.0)	7.0	5.0
Adjustment in respect of prior year	(5.0)	0.3	(4.7)	(2.1)	-	(2.1)
Effect of change in rate of corporation tax	26.0	(0.4)	25.6	-	-	-
Total ordinary deferred taxation	23.1	(0.2)	22.9	(4.1)	7.0	2.9
Total taxation charge	65.9	1.8	67.7	40.6	8.6	49.2

*Of the £66.9m taxation charge, £3.0m relates to taxation on continuing operations significant items. No taxation charge on the discontinued operations significant items.

Taxation on items charged/(credited) to equity

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Deferred taxation on remeasurement of retirement benefit liabilities	7.1	0.6
Effect of change in rate of corporation tax	(1.7)	-
Total taxation charge/(credit)	5.4	0.6

Factors affecting the taxation charge for the year

The total taxation charge for the year ended 31 March 2020 is higher (2019: higher) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2019: 19%). The differences are explained below.

	2020 £m	2020 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m	2019 £m	2019 £m
	Continued operations	Discontinued operations	Total	Continued operations	Discontinued operations	Total
Result before taxation	151.9	13.5	165.4	209.8	30.6	240.4
Result before taxation multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2019: 19%):	28.9	2.6	31.5	40.7	5.8	46.5
Effect of:						
Lower than standard rate used for DT temporary differences	-	-	-	0.6	-	0.6
Non-deductible/(Non-taxable) items	16.3	(0.6)	15.7	4.9	2.8	7.7
Adjustments to prior year taxation charge	(5.4)	0.2	(5.2)	(5.6)	-	(5.6)
Effect of change in rate in corporation tax	26.1	(0.4)	25.7	-	-	-
Total taxation debit/(credit)	65.9	1.8	67.7	40.6	8.6	49.2

The UK corporation tax rate of 19% (effective 1 April 2020) was substantively enacted on 17 March 2020, reversing the previously enacted reduction in the rate from 19% to 17%. This will increase the company's future current tax charge accordingly. The deferred tax asset liability amounts at 31 March 2020 have been calculated at 19% (2019: 17%).

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11. Discontinued operations

The results of the discontinued operation, which have been included in the consolidated income statement, were as follows:

	Year ended 31 March 2020	Year ended 31 March 2019
	£m	£m
Revenue	28.9	27.7
Operating costs	(3.7)	(5.6)
Operating profit	25.2	22.1
Significant items	(6.2)	(5.8)
Gains and losses on sales and valuation of investment properties	9.2	28.9
Finance costs	(14.7)	(14.6)
Attributable tax expense	(1.8)	(8.6)
Profit of discontinued operation	11.7	22.0
Net profit attributable to discontinued operation (attributable to owners of the Group)	11.7	22.0

The Group has commenced a sales process for its non-core property portfolio during the year ended 31 March 2020 with the sale anticipated to complete within 12 months. Non-core property represented a major line of business for the Group. Consequently the trading performance of the portfolio has been classified as a discontinued operation. The assets held for sale in relation to the discontinued operations are disclosed in note 17. Included within 31 March 2019 discontinued operations is an additional charge of £4.3m in relation to the disposal of Bournemouth International Airport Limited.

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12. Earnings per share

Earnings per share is the Group's result of the year, after taxation, divided by the weighted average number of shares in issue in the year.

	2020					2019				
	Earnings		Weighted average number of shares	Per share amount		Earnings		Weighted average number of shares	Per share amount	
	Continuing operations	Discontinued operations		Continuing operations	Discontinued operations	Continuing operations	Discontinued operations		Continuing operations	Discontinued operations
	£m	£m	m	pence	pence	£m	£m	m	pence	pence
EPS attributable to ordinary shareholders - before significant items	103.4	17.9	175.3	59.0	10.2	178.6	27.8	131.6	135.7	21.1
EPS attributable to ordinary shareholders - after significant items	86.0	11.7	175.3	49.1	6.7	169.2	22.0	131.6	128.5	16.7

13. Property, plant and equipment

2020	Freehold land and property £m	Long leasehold property £m	Airport infrastructure £m	Plant, fixtures and equipment £m	Assets in the course of construction £m	Total £m
Cost						
At 1 April 2019	187.4	481.4	2,173.1	730.7	758.0	4,330.6
Additions	-	-	-	0.4	520.8	521.2
Reclassification from assets in the course of construction	-	117.7	155.7	79.2	(352.6)	-
Other reclassifications	(30.5)	30.5	-	-	-	-
Reclassification to/from investment properties (note 15)	-	1.5	(0.2)	(0.2)	-	1.1
Reclassification to intangible assets (note 16)	-	-	-	-	(0.5)	(0.5)
Disposals	(0.1)	(0.2)	(4.9)	(0.4)	-	(5.6)
At 31 March 2020	156.8	630.9	2,323.7	809.7	925.7	4,846.8
Depreciation						
At 1 April 2019	53.7	198.1	587.2	541.3	-	1,380.3
Charge for the period	-	16.2	88.1	62.2	-	166.5
Depreciation on disposals	-	(0.3)	(4.8)	(0.4)	-	(5.5)
At 31 March 2020	53.7	214.0	670.5	603.1	-	1,541.3
Carrying amount						
At 31 March 2020	103.1	416.9	1,653.2	206.6	925.7	3,305.5
Carrying amount						
At 31 March 2019	133.7	283.3	1,585.9	189.4	758.0	2,950.3

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13. Property, plant and equipment continued

	Freehold land and property £m	Long leasehold property £m	Airport infrastructure £m	Plant, fixtures and equipment £m	Assets in the course of construction £m	Total £m
2019						
Cost						
At 1 April 2018	184.0	451.7	2,109.8	655.2	358.6	3,759.3
Additions	-	-	-	0.3	578.9	579.2
Reclassification from assets in the course of construction	(3.3)	31.6	71.5	77.4	(177.2)	-
Reclassification to/from investment properties (note 15)	6.7	-	(0.7)	(0.2)	(2.3)	3.5
Disposals	-	(1.9)	(7.5)	(2.0)	-	(11.4)
At 31 March 2019	187.4	481.4	2,173.1	730.7	758.0	4,330.6
Depreciation						
At 1 April 2018	53.7	187.1	513.3	487.6	-	1,241.7
Charge for the period	-	12.9	81.2	55.7	-	149.8
Depreciation on disposals	-	(1.9)	(7.3)	(2.0)	-	(11.2)
At 31 March 2019	53.7	198.1	587.2	541.3	-	1,380.3
Carrying amount						
At 31 March 2019	133.7	283.3	1,585.9	189.4	758.0	2,950.3
Carrying amount						
At 31 March 2018	130.3	264.6	1,596.5	167.6	358.6	2,517.6

The carrying amount of land not depreciated as at 31 March 2020 is £235.4m (31 March 2019: £235.8m).

Capitalised borrowing costs

During the year ended 31 March 2020, borrowing costs of £12.9m were capitalised (31 March 2019: £16.4m), relating to borrowing costs incurred in FY20. Capitalised borrowing costs were calculated on a monthly basis, by applying the rate of interest for the relevant month to expenditure incurred in that month. The average rate of interest applied in FY20 was 5.84% (2019: 6.07%). These borrowing costs were capitalised due to the transformational capital investment projects being undertaken at Manchester and London Stansted Airports.

Impairment review

During the year ended 31 March 2020, management have carried out an impairment review of the fixed assets, including the useful economic lives of assets. Additional depreciation of £6.8m has been recognised at Manchester and Stansted in the year, due to replacement of assets prior to the original estimated useful life. The additional depreciation ensures the net book value of the existing assets will be nil by the date of replacement.

The assets to be replaced are:

Manchester: £0.4m in relation to T2 retail assets due to be replaced by January 2021 and £1.6m in relation to runway surface assets, due to be replaced by March 2024;

Stansted: £2.4m of runway surface assets due to be replaced by June 2022, and £2.4m of baggage handling assets to be replaced by March 2021.

The carrying value of the PPE for each CGU was assessed by management as part of the year end impairment exercise. The details of the this review is detailed at note 16.

Assets in the course of construction

Assets in the course of construction reached peak levels of £925.7m in the year ended 31 March 2020. Management expect that, subject to an adequate return in passenger demand, approximately 71% of this balance will be brought into use in the year ended 31 March 2021.

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14. Right-of-use assets

	Land and Buildings £m	Airport infrastructure £m	Plant, fixtures and equipment £m	Total £m
Cost				
At 1 April 2019	218.4	198.1	0.7	417.2
Additions	0.4	-	3.2	3.6
Reclassification to assets held for sale (note 17)	(2.8)	-	-	(2.8)
Remeasurements	0.1	0.3	-	0.4
At 31 March 2020	216.1	198.4	3.9	418.4
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2019	-	-	-	-
Charge for the period	4.7	3.0	0.3	8.0
At 31 March 2020	4.7	3.0	0.3	8.0
Carrying amount				
At 31 March 2020	211.4	195.4	3.6	410.4

Impairment Review

The carrying value of the right-of-use assets for each CGU was assessed by management as part of the year end impairment exercise. The details of this review is detailed in note 16.

Key lease arrangements

Key lease arrangements are detailed in note 27.

Income from subleasing right-of-use assets

During the year to 31 March 2020, the income generated from subleasing right-of-use assets was £1.9m, generated solely from sublets of land and buildings.

Gains or losses generated from sale and leaseback transactions

During the year to 31 March 2020, no gains or losses were generated from sale and leaseback transactions.

15. Investment Properties

	Investment properties £m
2020	
Valuation	
At 1 April 2019	552.6
Additions	7.4
Reclassification to property, plant and equipment (note 13)	(1.1)
Disposals	(0.7)
Revaluation	10.1
Reclassification to assets held for sale (note 17)	(430.8)
At 31 March 2020	137.5

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15. Investment Properties continued

	Investment properties £m
2019	
Valuation	
At 1 April 2018	526.1
Additions	0.2
Reclassification to property, plant and equipment (note 13)	(3.5)
Revaluation	42.5
Disposals	(10.1)
Reclassification to assets held for sale (note 17)	(2.6)
At 31 March 2019	552.6

The fair value of the Group's commercial investment property at 31 March 2020 has been arrived at on the basis of a valuation carried out at that date by Savills Plc. Strutt & Parker carried out the valuation of the London Stansted residential property portfolio, and Fisher German carried out the valuation of the Manchester residential property portfolio at 31 March 2020. The valuers are independent and have appropriate, recognised professional qualifications, and recent experience in the locations and categories of the locations being valued. The valuations, which conform to International Valuation Standards, were arrived at by reference to market evidence of transaction prices for similar properties, land valuations and discounted cash flow methods. The Independent investment property valuations have been reported on the basis of 'material uncertainty', consequently, less certainty, and a higher degree of caution should be attached to the valuation than would normally be the case. Under IAS 40 a fair value method has been adopted to revalue investment properties that become occupied by the Group and are transferred to property, plant and equipment.

Commercial Property

Valuation Technique	Significant Unobservable Inputs	Inter- relationship between key unobservable inputs and fair value measurements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investment property – the investment property valuations as having been carried out using the comparative and investment methods. The valuation of the commercial property has been assessed using analysis of appropriate comparable investment and rental transactions, together with evidence of demand within the vicinity of the property and taking into account size, location, terms and other factors. Land under development – residual valuation approach estimates the Gross Development Value (GDV) of the proposed development (usually the market value using the investment method and making an appropriate deduction for development costs, finance and developer's profit). Other Development land – valuation was based upon the net price per acre in the current market. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investment property Comparable yields All risks adjustment Escrow assumption for COVID-19 non-payment Development Land Comparable price per acre 	<p>The estimated fair value would increase if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> market rental growth was higher void periods were shorter occupancy rates were higher non-payment of rent was lower the risk adjusted discount rate was lower

Residential Property

Valuation Technique	Significant Unobservable Inputs	Inter- relationship between key unobservable inputs and fair value measurements
Valuation is completed on a comparable basis of similar properties in the vicinity.	Where comparable evidence is hard to obtain, adjusted information is used to reflect differences in location, size, aspect and condition.	The estimated fair value would increase if the property: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> was larger in a preferred location in a better condition

The valuation of the investment property was undertaken on 31st March during the early stages of the lock-down as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Consequently the depth of impact of the pandemic and its duration on the property market has led to the valuers to report on the basis of a material uncertainty. In arriving at the valuation a in the Annual Report the following adjustments were made to the fair value of the properties:

- the application of judgement based cashflow 'escrow' deductions from the market value to reflect the perceived impact of Covid-19 on the disruption of rent collection; and
- for the Group's non-core investment property portfolio the valuation has been adjusted to reflect the likely sales proceeds anticipated from the anticipated sale of the portfolio

The rental income earned by the Group from its investment property amounted to £38.8m (2019: £32.0m), of which £28.9m was attributable to discontinued operations (2019: £27.7m). Direct operating expenses arising on the investment property in the year amounted to £4.4m (2019: £4.8m), which includes £nil (2018: £nil) of operating costs where no income was derived.

Gains and losses on sales and valuation of investment properties reported in the consolidated income statement of £11.4m in the year (2019: £45.8m) includes £10.1m of valuation gains on investment property (2019: £42.5m), of which £9.2m was attributable to discontinued operations (2019: £28.1m attributable). The residual £1.3m relates to £1.2m of gains on sale in the year, with no gain in the discontinued operations (2019: gains on sale of £3.3m, with £0.8m attributable to discontinued operations) and £0.1m valuation gain on the brought forward asset held for sale

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16. Intangible assets

	Goodwill £m	Other intangible assets £m	Total £m
Cost			
At 1 April 2019	166.3	50.5	216.8
Additions	-	1.4	1.4
Reclassification from Property, plant and equipment (note 13)	-	0.5	0.5
At 31 March 2020	166.3	52.4	218.7
Amortisation			
At 1 April 2019	-	11.0	11.0
Charge for the year	-	2.5	2.5
At 31 March 2020	-	13.5	13.5
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2020	166.3	38.9	205.2
At 31 March 2019	166.3	39.5	205.8

Goodwill

Goodwill is allocated to cash generating units based on the benefits to the Group that arise from each business combination. For the purposes of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to the lowest cash generating unit at which management monitor goodwill. The lowest level of cash generating unit is considered to be: Manchester Airport; London Stansted Airport; and East Midlands Airport.

The goodwill total of £166.3m relates solely to the acquisition of London Stansted Airport.

Impairment

The principal CGUs used in the Group's impairment assessment consisted of:

- Manchester airport where the recoverable amount provided a £1,150.0m headroom over the assets carrying value of £1,961.0m
- London Stansted airport where the recoverable amount provided £881.0m of headroom over the assets carrying value of 1,735.0m;
- East Midlands airport where the recoverable amount provided £201.0m of headroom over the assets carrying value of £224.0m.

The impairment testing calculated the recoverable amount of the goodwill, intangible assets, PPE and right-of-use asset in each cash generating unit by comparing the carrying value to the calculated value-in-use. Key assumptions for these calculations are those regarding discount rates, terminal value growth rates, expected changes to passenger and revenue growth rates, EBITDA margin and the level of capital expenditure required to support trading.

The Group prepared cash flow forecasts derived from the most recent financial budgets approved by the Board covering five years and a detailed longer term forecasts to cover a further 20 years beyond that point. The budget reflected the business's best view of the timing and rate of recovery to pre-COVID-19 activity levels and estimated that MAGIL would return to 85% of pre-COVID-19 pax levels in FY22 and 95% in FY23. These projections for the timing and rate of Pax recoveries and are in line with the projections used for going concern. For the purposes of the impairment assessment the business reflected the budget for the first 7 years and considered a terminal value based upon a long-term growth reflecting estimated rates of inflation. The business used a budget of 7 years as opposed to the 5 years advised under IAS 38 to enable a reflect the additional period for the business to return to normal trading levels post-COVID-19 recovery.

The discount rates used in the cash flow forecasts have been estimated based on post-tax rates that reflect the market participant's assessment of the time value of money and the risks specific to the cash generating unit. In determining the discount rates, the Group has sought to arrive at a Weighted Average Cost of Capital (WACC) using the capital asset pricing model for a market participant. The key assumptions in calculating the discount rate have been a 0.60 unlevered beta and a risk-free rate based on long-term UK Government gilts. Consequently, the post-tax rate used to discount the forecast cash flows was calculated as: 7.0% (2019: 5.48%).

Sensitivity analyses reflecting downside scenarios which: reflected increased discount rates of pre-tax 8.64% (post-tax 7.0%) and lower growth rates of 2.0%. The impact of these scenarios individually and combined result in no impairment.

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16. Intangible assets (continued)

Other intangible assets

In 2014 the Group secured rights to ensure that the Greater Manchester Metrolink light rail system was extended to Manchester Airport, connecting the airport to the wider Metrolink network. The contractual agreement ensures that the Metrolink service, which commenced in November 2014, will be operated for a period of 30 years. The cost of securing the rights has been capitalised and is being amortised over 20 years from November 2014, which the directors believe to be the foreseeable period over which the majority of the benefits from the service will accrue to the Airport. Whilst MAGIL anticipate that the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic will reduce passenger numbers on the Metrolink system whilst air traffic numbers are less than pre-COVID-19 levels, the expectation is that the use of the rail system will subsequently return to more normal levels of activity. Consequently the Metrolink intangible asset has not been impaired. The management have assessed the recoverable amount of the carrying value of the Metrolink contribution as part of the impairment assessment of the Manchester Airport (CGU), as the cashflows relating to the Metrolink asset are not independent from those of the airport, which is detailed below.

17. Assets held for sale and associated liabilities

	31 March 2020 £m	31 March 2019 £m
Assets held for sale		
Current assets		
Right-of-use assets	2.8	-
Investment properties	432.8	2.6
Trade and other receivables	8.2	-
Total	443.8	2.6
	31 March 2020 £m	31 March 2019 £m
Associated liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Non-current lease liabilities	(2.7)	-
Deferred tax liabilities	(62.8)	-
Trade and other payables	(3.8)	-
Current lease liabilities	(0.2)	-
Deferred income	(4.2)	-
Total	(73.7)	-

Assets held for sale and associated liabilities relate to the non-core property portfolio, and related trading balances.

The fair value measurement and valuation of the Group's commercial investment property at 31 March 2020 has been disclosed in note 15 to the financial statements.

18. Inventories

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Consumables	5.1	3.5
	5.1	3.5

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19. Trade and other receivables

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Trade receivables	59.3	74.7
Other receivables	6.1	11.1
Prepayments and accrued income	27.4	42.2
	92.8	128.0

The average credit period taken on sales is 22 days (2019: 26 days). An allowance has been made for estimated irrecoverable amounts from trade receivables of £2.6m (2019: £3.2m). This includes reserves against specific debts estimated as irrecoverable and additional amounts included comprising of £0.2m (2019: £0.3m) additional reserve relating to estimated credit losses.

The directors consider that the carrying amount of trade and other receivables are at amortised cost.

Trade receivables are non-interest bearing and are generally on 30 day terms. The level of past due debt over 90 days old has been recalculated to reflect age based upon due date:

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Debt due over 90 days	3.4	7.5
Total	3.4	7.5

Movement in the provision for impairment of trade receivables is as follows:

	£m
Balance at 1 April 2019	3.2
Increase in allowance for impaired receivables	1.0
Additional provision during the year	0.4
Provision utilised during the year	(2.0)
Balance at 31 March 2020	2.6

The creation and release of provisions for impaired receivables have been included in 'operating expenses' in the consolidated income statement.

Amounts charged to the provision account are generally written off when there is no expectation of recovery. The ageing of these receivables is as follows:

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Less than 60 days	-	-
60 to 90 days	-	0.1
Over 90 days	2.6	3.1
Total	2.6	3.2

The Group is not exposed to foreign currency exchange risk as all trade and other receivables are denominated in pound sterling. There are no credit quality issues with receivables that are not past their due date. Additional disclosure on financial risk is included in note 24.

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20. Cash and cash equivalents

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Cash at bank and in hand	234.0	23.4

The directors consider that the carrying value of cash and cash equivalents are at amortised cost.

21. Borrowings

	Note	2020 £m	2019 £m
Bank loans	22	481.9	132.3
Bonds	23	1,441.4	1,098.4
		1,923.3	1,230.7

Borrowings are repayable as follows:

In one year or less, or on demand

Bank loans	23	-	132.3
		-	132.3

In more than one year, but no more than two years

Bank loans	23	-	-
		-	-

In more than two years, but no more than five years

Bank loans		481.9	132.2
Bonds	23	358.1	-
		840.0	-

In more than five years – due other than by instalments

Bonds	23	1,083.3	1,098.4
		1,083.3	1,098.4

Non-current borrowings		1,923.3	1,098.4
Total borrowings		1,923.3	1,230.7

The Group is party to a Common Terms Agreement (CTA) where bank and bond creditors benefit from the same suite of representations, warranties and covenants. The CTA was signed on 14 February 2014.

The CTA, together with a Master Definitions Agreement, covers inter alia The Amended and Restated Initial Authorised Credit Facility Agreement (ACF), The Amended and Restated Liquidity Facility Agreement (LF), and the Group's issue of publicly listed fixed rate secured bonds in February 2014 and April 2014 respectively.

The Group issued a £450.0m publicly listed fixed rate secured bond on 14 February 2014 with a scheduled and legal maturity of 31 March 2034.

The Group issued a £360.0m publicly listed fixed rate secured bond on 16 April 2014 with a scheduled and legal maturity of 2024. All proceeds from the issue of the bonds (net of certain issuance fees) were used to repay a large portion of the Secured Senior Term Facility.

The Group issued a £300.0m publicly listed fixed rate secured bond on 15 November 2017 with a scheduled and legal maturity of 31 March 2039. All proceeds from the issue of the bonds (net of certain issuance fees) were used to repay the Revolving Credit Facility.

The Group issued a £350.0m publicly listed fixed rate secured bond on 9 May 2019 with a scheduled and legal maturity of 31 March 2044. All proceeds from the issue of the bonds (net of certain issuance fees) were used to repay the Revolving Credit Facility.

The Amended and Restated LF Agreement has total facilities of £90.0m (increased from £60m on 1 April 2019) and is sized to cover 12 months interest on secured debt. The LF Agreement is a 364-day revolving facility with a five year term on each annual renewal.

The Group's borrowings are all secured by a fixed and floating charge over substantially all of the assets of the Group.

As set out in the basis of preparation on page 28, despite entering the crisis in a strong financial position, as a consequence of COVID-19 and the subsequent expected impact on EBITDA over the next 12 months, MAGIL would not have been able to avoid breaching its covenants when next tested at 30 September 2020. MAGIL has obtained comprehensive bank and bondholder support for its response, including obtaining waivers on its next two six-monthly financial covenant tests at 30 September 2020 and 31 March 2021, removing any risk on financial covenants during the next financial year.

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22. Bank loans

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Secured revolving credit facility	484.0	135.0
Less: unamortised debt issue costs ¹	(2.1)	(2.7)
	481.9	132.3

Note:

¹ Issue costs arising in relation to obtaining finance are amortised over the duration of the financing as part of the effective interest rate.

At 31 March 2020 the Group had £nil (31 March 2019: £350.0m) undrawn committed borrowing facilities in respect of which all conditions precedent had been met at that date. The undrawn committed borrowing facilities consist of a £500.0m secured revolving credit facility (£484m drawn at 31 March 2020), less certain carve-outs in respect of ancillary facilities of £16.0m. The Group also had access to £10.0m of overdraft facilities.

Interest on the Secured Revolving Credit Facility is linked to LIBOR plus a margin.

See note 21 for further information on financial liabilities, including maturity analysis.

23. Bonds

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Repayable other than by instalments		
MAG bond 4.125% £360.0m due 2024	360.0	360.0
MAG bond 4.75% £450.0m due 2034	450.0	450.0
MAG bond 2.875% £300.0m due 2039	300.0	300.0
MAG bond 2.875% £350.0m due 2044	350.0	-
Less: discount on issue	(10.7)	(5.3)
Less: unamortised debt issue costs	(7.9)	(6.3)
	1,441.4	1,098.4

See note 21 for further information on financial liabilities, including maturity analysis.

24. Financial instruments

Financial liabilities

(a) Interest rate profile of financial liabilities

The interest rate profile of the Group's financial liabilities as at 31 March 2020 was as follows:

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Fixed rate financial liabilities	1,441.4	1,098.4
Floating rate financial liabilities	481.9	132.3
	1,923.3	1,230.7

The revolving credit facility bears an interest rate based on LIBOR at the Group's discretion, between 1 week and 6 months, plus a credit margin. The overdrafts bear interest at Bank of England Base Rate plus a credit margin.

The Group has prepared an analysis of the impact of potential, likely changes in interest rates.

The result of an increase in interest rates of 1% per annum would be to increase/(decrease) income and equity for the year by the following amounts:

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Impact on income statement	(2.5)	(1.1)
Impact on equity	-	-
	(2.5)	(1.1)

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24. Financial instruments continued

Financial liabilities continued

(b) Fixed rate and non-interest bearing financial liabilities

	2020	2019
Weighted average annual interest rate	3.76%	4.04%
Weighted average period for which interest is fixed	15yr 1m	13yr 1m

The weighted average period for non-interest bearing liabilities as at 31 March 2020 was 1 year (2019: 1 year).

(c) Maturity analysis of financial liabilities

The table below shows the gross undiscounted contractual cash outflows in relation to the Group's financial liabilities as at 31 March 2020 to the contract maturity date.

	2020 £m	2019 £m
In one year or less, or on demand	538.9	179.9
In more than one year, but no more than two years	54.9	44.9
In more than two years, but no more than five years	509.9	494.6
In more than five years – due other than by instalments	1,609.3	1,093.1
	2,713.0	1,812.5

This maturity profile represents the fair value of all financial liabilities, as denoted in table (d) below.

Undrawn committed borrowing facilities

As at 31 March 2020, the Group had an undrawn committed borrowing facility available amounting to £nil (2019: £350.0m).

	2020 Floating rate £m	2019 Floating rate £m
Expiring in less than one year	-	-
Expiring in one to two years	-	-
Expiring in more than two years	-	350.0
	-	350.0

(d) Fair values versus carrying amounts of financial instruments

The following table provides a comparison, by category, of the carrying amounts and the fair values of the Group's financial instruments as at 31 March 2020 and 2019. Fair value is defined as the amount at which a financial instrument could be exchanged in an arm's length transaction between informed and willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale, and excludes accrued interest. Where available, market values have been used to determine fair values. Where market values are not available, fair values have been calculated by discounting expected cash flows at prevailing interest rates.

	Note	2020 Carrying amount £m	2020 Fair value £m	2019 Carrying amount £m	2019 Fair value £m
Financial liabilities:					
Instruments held at amortised cost					
Bank loans and overdrafts	22	(481.9)	(481.9)	(132.3)	(132.3)
Trade payables	25	(70.8)	(70.8)	(58.1)	(58.1)
Bonds	23	(1,441.4)	(1,474.9)	(1,098.4)	(1,266.6)
		(1,994.1)	(2,027.7)	(1,288.8)	(1,457.0)
Financial assets:					
Instruments held at amortised cost					
Cash at bank and in hand	20	234.0	234.0	23.4	23.4
Trade receivables	19	59.3	59.3	74.7	74.7
Other assets held at fair value					
Assets held for sale	17	443.8	443.8	2.6	2.6
Investment properties	15	137.5	137.5	552.6	552.6
		874.6	874.6	653.3	653.3
Net financial liabilities		(1,119.5)	(1,153.1)	(635.5)	(803.7)

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24. Financial instruments continued

Fair value hierarchy

Financial instruments carried at fair value are required to be measured by reference to the following levels:

- level 1 – quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- level 2 – inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices); and
- level 3 – inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs). All financial instruments carried at fair value have been measured by a level 2 valuation method.

Investment properties carried at fair value have been measured by a level 3 valuation method.

Summary of methods and assumptions used for determining fair values

Financial instrument	Level	Estimate Basis
Bonds	1	The fair value of publicly listed bonds is based on market prices or, if not available, brokers' quotes. The carrying value is net of unamortised issue costs.
Bank loans	2	The fair value of the bank loans approximates to the carrying value given their floating rate basis and interest setting frequency. The carrying value is net of unamortised issue costs.
Other borrowings	2	The fair value of other borrowings is based on a discounted cash flow methodology that reflects movements in underlying market rates.
Cash at bank and in hand	2	The fair value of cash at bank and in hand approximates to the carrying value as all deposits have same day access.
Trade receivables and payables	2	The fair value of trade receivables and trade payables approximates to the carrying value given their short-term nature.
Investment properties	3*	The fair values of investment properties are based on an income capitalisation methodology.

*Refer to note 15 for valuation techniques applied.

(e) Credit risk exposure

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

	2020 Carrying amount £m	2019 Carrying amount £m
Trade receivables	59.3	74.7
Cash at bank and in hand	234.0	23.4
Credit exposure	293.3	98.1

Further analysis on the credit risk, ageing and impairment of trade receivables can be found in note 19.

25. Trade and other payables

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Trade payables	70.8	58.1
Other taxation and social security	5.8	6.1
Other payables	4.8	5.2
Accruals	188.8	169.7
Capital-based grants	0.4	0.4
	270.6	239.5

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26. Retirement benefit liabilities

McCloud judgement

A past service cost of £1.8m (2019: nil) has been recognised in the income statement, reflecting an estimate of the impact of allowing for the McCloud judgement on the Greater Manchester Pension Fund. This follows a court judgement on 20 December 2018 ruling in favour of age discrimination in the Judges and Firefighters Scheme (known as the McCloud judgement). A supreme high court ruling on 27 June 2019 denied the Government the right to appeal the case. The impact of the McCloud judgement is likely to have implications for public sector pension schemes such as the Greater Manchester Pension Fund.

Pensions offer to defined benefit pension members

An exercise was carried out over the year for active members of MAG's defined benefit pension schemes to provide these members the option to opt out of defined benefit and instead join a defined contribution pension scheme for future accrual of pension benefits. The impact of this exercise has been allowed for as a curtailment gain of £9.4m (2019: nil) in the income statement, reflecting the breaking of the salary link for members who opted out and ceased accrual in the defined benefit schemes.

Defined contribution schemes

The Group operates a defined contribution scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme is held separately from those of the Group in funds under the control of trustees. Where there are employees who leave the scheme prior to vesting fully, the contributions payable by the Group are reduced by the amount of forfeited contributions. The Group also started to participate in the Legal & General Mastertrust defined contribution pension scheme from 1 October 2019 for those employees who opted out of the Group's defined benefit schemes as part of the exercise carried out above.

The total cost charged to income of £11.0m (2019: £6.9m) represents contributions payable to the scheme by the Group at rates in the pension scheme's contribution schedule. As at 31 March 2020, there was £nil (2019: £nil) of contributions due in respect of the current reporting period that had not been paid over to the scheme.

Defined benefit schemes

The Group operates four defined benefit pension schemes as follows:

- The Greater Manchester Pension Fund (GMPF).
- M.A.G (STAL) Pension Scheme.
- E.M.I.A Pension Scheme.
- The Airport Ventures Pension Scheme (AVPS).

Under the schemes, the employees are entitled to retirement benefits based on their salary and length of service at the time of leaving the schemes, payable on attainment of retirement age (or earlier death). No other post-retirement benefits are provided. All schemes are closed to new entrants but are not closed to future accrual (with the exception of AVPS). The Group operates the schemes under the applicable UK regulatory framework. Benefits are paid to members from trustee-administered funds, and the trustees of each scheme are responsible for ensuring that each respective scheme is sufficiently funded to meet current and future benefit payments. Scheme assets are held in trusts separate from the Group. If investment experience is worse than expected, the Group's obligations are increased.

MAGIL participates in the GMPF scheme, which forms part of the Local Government Pension Scheme.

The nature of the relationship between the Group and the trustees of each scheme is also governed by UK regulations. The trustees must agree a funding plan with the Group such that any funding shortfall is expected to be met by additional contributions and investment performance. In order to assess the level of contributions required, triennial valuations are carried out with the scheme's liabilities measured using prudent assumptions (relative to those used to measure accounting liabilities).

The trustees' other duties include managing the investment of scheme assets and administration of scheme and discretionary benefits. The Group works closely with the trustees of each scheme.

Total employer's pension contributions for defined benefit schemes across the Group during the year ended 31 March 2020 amounted to £13.1m (2019: £15.6m) and there were no one-off contributions during this period (2019: £nil).

Total employees' pension contributions for defined benefit schemes across the Group during the year ended 31 March 2020 amounted to £2.1m (2019: £2.8m) and there were no one-off contributions during this period (2019: £nil).

Actuarial gains or losses are recognised immediately in the statement of comprehensive income, included within remeasurements.

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26. Retirement benefit liabilities continued

Defined benefit schemes continued

The Greater Manchester Pension Fund (GMPF)

Certain employees of the Group participate in the GMPF, administered by Tameside Borough Council. Of the total Group pension contributions noted above, some £5.0m (2019: £5.5m) related to payments into the GMPF.

The securities portfolio of the fund is managed by two external professional investment managers and the property portfolio is managed internally by GMPF. Participation is by virtue of Manchester Airport Plc's status as an 'admitted body' to the fund.

The last full valuation of the fund was undertaken on 31 March 2019 by an independent actuary. The Fund was valued using the attained age method. The purposes of the valuation were to determine the financial position of the Fund and to recommend the contribution rate to be paid by Manchester Airport PLC and the other participating employers. The market value of the whole of the Fund's assets for all employers at 31 March 2019 was £23,844m (previous valuation in 2013: £17,325m). The funding level of the scheme as measured using the actuarial method of valuation was 102% (previous valuation in 2016: 93%).

The principal assumptions used in the 2019 valuation were as follows:

Salary increase	3.10% per annum
Pensions increase/price inflation	2.30% per annum

The costs of providing pensions are charged to the income statement on a consistent basis over a term agreed between the GMPF and the employer. These costs are determined by an independent qualified actuary and any variations from regular costs are spread over the remaining working lifetime of the current members.

MAG (STAL) pension scheme

On 28 February 2013, the Group acquired the entire share capital of Stansted Airport Limited. A condition of the purchase was that a new defined benefit pension scheme was set up to provide comparable benefits to those employees who had previously participated in the BAA pension scheme prior to the acquisition. Current employees transferred their accrued benefits to the MAG (STAL) Pension Scheme, but no liability for pensioners or deferred members was transferred. The last full actuarial valuation of the M.A.G (STAL) pension scheme was carried out by the scheme actuary on 30 September 2016. The aggregate market value of the assets in the scheme at the date of that actuarial valuation was £153.4m (previous valuation £104.9m), which represented approximately 87.9% (previous valuation 104.9%) of the present value of the liabilities. The scheme was valued using the projected unit method.

Other schemes

Full actuarial valuations were carried out on the other defined benefit schemes as follows:

- E.M.I.A Pension Scheme (EMIA) – 6 April 2017
- Airport Ventures Pension Scheme – 1 August 2016

The aggregate market value of the assets in the EMIA scheme at the date of that actuarial valuation was £59.8m (previous valuation £48.4m), which represented approximately 74% (previous valuation 94%) of the present value of the liabilities. The scheme was valued using the projected unit method.

The other scheme is not significant to the Group and details of its valuation are included in the relevant entity's financial statements.

The numerical disclosure provided below for the defined benefit schemes is based on the most recent actuarial valuations disclosed above, which have been updated by independent qualified actuaries to take account of the requirements of IAS 19.

The key assumptions used are as follows:

	GMPF		MAG (STAL)		EMIA		AVPS	
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
Rate of increase in salaries	2.65%	3.25%	2.55%	3.25%	2.00%	2.00%	N/A	N/A
Rate of increase of pensions in payment	1.65%	2.25%	1.55%	2.25%	1.55%	2.25%	1.65%	2.25%
Discount rate	2.35%	2.40%	2.35%	2.45%	2.35%	2.40%	2.35%	2.40%
Inflation assumption	1.65%	2.25%	1.55%	2.25%	1.55%	2.25%	1.65%	2.25%
Life expectancy from 65								
Longevity at age 65 for current pensioners								
Males	20.1 years	20.7 years	21.5 years	22.7 years	23.0 years	22.9 years	21.2 years	20.9 years
Females	23.0 years	23.2 years	23.5 years	24.7 years	24.2 years	24.0 years	23.5 years	23.2 years
Longevity at age 45 for current members								
Males	20.9 years	22.2 years	22.5 years	23.7 years	24.1 years	24.0 years	22.2 years	22.0 years
Females	24.3 years	24.4 years	24.7 years	25.6 years	25.4 years	25.2 years	24.7 years	24.4 years

The longevity assumptions for the MAG (STAL) scheme reflect the higher age profile of active scheme members, compared to other pension schemes, as the scheme commenced in 2013.

Following the start of the Government's consultation regarding the alignment RPI with CPI, MAGIL have considered whether the existing approach to setting the RPI and CPI inflation assumptions should be amended to allow for this potential change. MAG's view is that it is a valid approach to maintain the existing approach to setting the RPI and CPI inflation assumptions, which is in line with the requirement of IAS 19 and have therefore retained the existing methodology. We will keep these assumptions under review in future periods as more details around the RPI consultation are released, including any decision by Government or the UKSA to proceed with the change.

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26. Retirement benefit liabilities continued

Risk and risk management

Through its defined benefit pension schemes the Group is exposed to a number of risks, the most significant of which are detailed below.

Asset volatility	For the purpose of setting the contribution requirements, the calculation uses a discount rate set with reference to government bond yields, with allowance for additional return to be generated from the investment portfolio - whereas under IAS 19 (R), the defined benefit obligation is calculated using a discount rate set with reference to corporate bond yields. GMPF, MAG (STAL) and EMIA hold a significant proportion of their assets in return-seeking funds. The returns on these assets may be volatile and are not closely correlated to the value placed on the liabilities. This means that the deficit may be volatile in the shorter term, which may result in an increase in the contribution requirements and an increase in the net defined liability recorded on the statement of financial position. However, the Group believes that return-seeking assets offer an appropriate level of return over the long term for the level of risk that is taken. Furthermore, the schemes' other assets are well-diversified by investing in a range of asset classes, including diversified growth funds, government bonds and corporate bonds.
Changes in bond yields	A fall in bond yields increases the value placed on the liabilities for reporting purposes and for setting the Group's contribution requirements. However, in the scenario the schemes' investment in corporate and government bonds is expected to increase and therefore offset some of the increase in the value placed on the liabilities.
Inflation risk	The majority of the schemes' benefit obligations are linked to inflation and higher outturn levels of inflationary increases are in place to protect the benefits against extreme inflation. Inflation will lead to a higher benefit obligation (although in most cases caps on the majority of the schemes' assets do not provide a direct hedge against changes in inflation as they are either fixed-interest in nature e.g. corporate bonds and government bonds, or have an indirect link to inflation e.g. equities).
Life expectancy	The majority of the schemes' obligations are to provide a pension for the life of the member, so increases in life expectancy will result in an increase in the schemes' liabilities. This is particularly significant where the longer duration and inflation-linked nature of the payments result in higher sensitivity to changes in life expectancy. The schemes do not contain a hedge against increases in future life expectancy.

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26. Retirement benefit liabilities continued

	Fair value of scheme assets £m	Fair value of scheme assets £m	(Deficit)/ surplus in the scheme £m
GMPF¹			
2020	408.9	(441.3)	(32.4)
2019	465.7	(503.9)	(38.2)
2018	437.5	(483.5)	(46.0)
2017	435.2	(489.4)	(54.2)
2016	363.1	(402.6)	(39.5)
2015	377.7	(432.5)	(54.8)
2014	346.0	(383.9)	(37.9)
MAG (STAL)			
2020	184.8	(182.1)	2.7
2019	185.0	(209.8)	(24.8)
2018	172.5	(195.0)	(22.5)
2017	161.4	(189.2)	(27.8)
2016	131.8	(133.4)	(1.6)
2015	130.3	(134.9)	(4.6)
2014	113.9	(107.1)	6.8
EMIA			
2020	60.7	(77.2)	(16.5)
2019	61.9	(82.8)	(20.9)
2018	61.3	(80.1)	(18.8)
2017	59.9	(82.5)	(22.6)
2016	52.9	(64.7)	(11.8)
2015	55.1	(69.1)	(14.0)
2014	48.5	(57.6)	(9.1)
AVPS²			
2020	3.7	(3.7)	-
2019	3.7	(3.7)	-
2018	3.9	(3.9)	-
2017	4.0	(4.0)	-
2016	3.5	(3.5)	-
2015	3.6	(3.6)	-
2014	3.1	(3.1)	-
Total²			
2020	658.1	(704.3)	(46.2)
2019	716.3	(800.2)	(83.9)
2018	675.2	(762.5)	(87.3)
2017	660.5	(765.1)	(104.6)
2016	551.3	(604.2)	(52.9)
2015	566.7	(640.1)	(73.4)
2014	511.5	(551.7)	(40.2)

Notes:

¹ The figures as shown represent the proportion of the scheme that is attributable to the Group. £5.0m (2019: £6.0m) of the liabilities are unfunded.

² The AVPS has a surplus of £0.7m (2019: £0.7m). This surplus has not been recognised in line with 'IFRIC 14' as the surplus cannot be recovered by reducing future contributions.

³ The present value of the deficit funding commitments to the three schemes GMPF, MAG (STAL), EMIA, is less than the IAS19 deficit at the balance sheet

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26. Retirement benefit liabilities continued

Plan assets

	GMPF		MAG (STAL)		EMIA		AVPS		TOTAL	
	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m
Equities and other growth assets	243.4	316.5	100.0	118.1	32.0	34.8	-	-	375.4	469.4
Corporate and government bonds	75.6	70.6	74.5	43.0	16.9	16.5	3.4	3.6	170.4	133.7
Property	37.2	37.6	-	-	6.2	6.1	-	-	43.4	43.7
Other	52.7	41.0	10.3	23.9	5.6	4.5	-	0.1	68.6	69.5
Fair value of assets	408.9	465.7	184.8	185.0	60.7	61.9	3.4	3.7	657.8	716.3

Both the EMIA and GMPF pension schemes contain Level 3 assets where valuation is not based upon observable market data. The valuations, which conform to International Valuation Standards, were arrived at by reference to market evidence of transaction prices for similar assets and discounted cash flow methods. The independent valuations have been reported on the basis of 'material uncertainty', consequently, less certainty, and a higher degree of caution should be attached to the valuation than would normally be the case.

The valuation techniques applied to the Level 3 assets within the Group's pension schemes are:

- GMPF pooled investment vehicles – as determined by relevant fund managers including market prices; quotations; discounted cashflows; comparable transaction pricing or industry multiples; or other pricing methodology;
- GMPF investment properties - estimates of open market value reflecting assumptions on: rental growth; void rates; and discount rates;
- EMIA Annuities (to discharge liability relating to specific scheme members) – valued at the corresponding amount of the relevant scheme member's scheme obligation; and
- EMIA With profits insurance policies – cumulative reversionary bonuses declared and current terminal bonus.

Movement in net defined benefit liability - all schemes

	Defined benefit obligation		Fair value of scheme assets		Net defined benefit liability	
	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m
Opening position as at 1 April*	(800.2)	(761.6)	716.3	675.2	(83.9)	(86.4)
Included in the income statement					-	-
Current service cost of defined benefit scheme	(10.3)	(11.4)	(1.9)	(1.4)	(12.2)	(12.8)
Past service cost	(1.8)	(1.3)	-	-	(1.8)	(1.3)
Curtailment	9.4	-	-	-	9.4	-
Interest (cost)/income	(17.4)	(19.5)	15.2	17.4	(2.2)	(2.1)
	(20.1)	(32.2)	13.3	16.0	(6.8)	(16.2)
Amount recognised in the statement of comprehensive income (SOCI)						
Actual return less expected return on pension scheme assets	-	-	(62.9)	35.6	(62.9)	35.6
Experience (loss)/gain arising on scheme liabilities	4.0	(0.9)	-	-	4.0	(0.9)
Remeasurement (loss)/gain due to financial assumption changes	76.3	(42.6)	-	-	76.3	(42.6)
Remeasurement gain due to demographic assumption changes	13.6	11.2	-	-	13.6	11.2
	93.9	(32.3)	(62.9)	35.6	31.0	3.3**
Cash flows						
Contributions	(2.1)	(2.8)	15.6	18.9	13.5	16.1
Benefits paid	24.5	29.4	(24.5)	(29.4)	-	-
Impact of asset ceiling	(0.7)	(0.7)	-	-	(0.7)	(0.7)
Closing position as at 31 March	(704.7)	(800.2)	657.8	716.3	(46.9)	(83.9)

* The opening position excludes the impact of the asset ceiling.

** The movement of £3.3m in addition to the £0.2m change in asset ceiling results in a total movement of £3.5m through the SOCI.

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26. Retirement benefit liabilities continued

Movement in net defined benefit liability - GMPF scheme

	Defined benefit obligation		Fair value of scheme assets		Net defined benefit liability	
	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m
Opening position as at 1 April	(503.9)	(483.5)	465.7	437.5	(38.2)	(46.0)
Included in the income statement					-	-
Current service cost of defined benefit scheme	(4.5)	(4.4)	-	-	(4.5)	(4.4)
Past service cost	(1.8)	(1.0)	-	-	(1.8)	(1.0)
Curtailment	1.9	-	-	-	1.9	-
Interest (cost)/income	(10.9)	(12.4)	9.8	11.2	(1.1)	(1.2)
	(15.3)	(17.8)	9.8	11.2	(5.5)	(6.6)
Amount recognised in the statement of comprehensive income (SOCI)						
Actual return less expected return on pension scheme assets	-	-	(53.6)	28.9	(53.6)	28.9
Experience (loss)/gain arising on scheme liabilities	8.2	(0.7)	-	-	8.2	(0.7)
Remeasurement (loss)/gain due to financial assumption changes	44.8	(23.4)	-	-	44.8	(23.4)
Remeasurement gain due to demographic assumption changes	7.4	4.1	-	-	7.4	4.1
	60.4	(20.0)	(53.6)	28.9	6.8	8.9
Cash flows						
Contributions	(1.0)	(1.2)	5.5	6.7	4.5	5.5
Benefits paid	18.5	18.6	(18.5)	(18.6)	-	-
Closing position as at 31 March	(441.3)	(503.9)	408.9	465.7	(32.4)	(38.2)

The scheme liabilities have a duration of approximately 15 years.

Movement in net defined benefit liability - MAG (STAL) Scheme

	Defined benefit obligation		Fair value of scheme assets		Net defined benefit liability	
	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m
Opening position as at 1 April	(209.8)	(195.0)	185.0	172.5	(24.8)	(22.5)
Included in the income statement					-	-
Current service cost of defined benefit scheme	(5.2)	(6.1)	(0.9)	(0.6)	(6.1)	(6.7)
Past service cost	-	(0.1)	-	-	-	(0.1)
Curtailment	7.8	-	-	-	7.8	-
Interest (cost)/income	(4.6)	(5.0)	4.0	4.5	(0.6)	(0.5)
	(2.0)	(11.2)	3.1	3.9	1.1	(7.3)
Amount recognised in the statement of comprehensive income (SOCI)						
Actual return less expected return on pension scheme assets	-	-	(6.1)	6.0	(6.1)	6.0
Experience (loss)/gain arising on scheme liabilities	(4.2)	(0.1)	-	-	(4.2)	(0.1)
Remeasurement (loss)/gain due to financial assumption changes	24.6	(14.4)	-	-	24.6	(14.4)
Remeasurement gain due to demographic assumption changes	6.4	6.2	-	-	6.4	6.2
	26.8	(8.3)	(6.1)	6.0	20.7	(2.3)
Cash flows						
Contributions	(0.9)	(1.3)	6.6	8.6	5.7	7.3
Benefits paid	3.8	6.0	(3.8)	(6.0)	-	-
Closing position as at 31 March	(182.1)	(209.8)	184.8	185.0	2.7	(24.8)

The scheme liabilities have a duration of approximately 25 years.

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26. Retirement benefit liabilities continued

Movement in net defined benefit liability - EMIA scheme

	Defined benefit obligation		Fair value of scheme assets		Net defined benefit liability	
	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m
Opening position as at 1 April	(82.8)	(80.1)	61.9	61.3	(20.9)	(18.8)
Included in the income statement					-	-
Current service cost of defined benefit scheme	(0.6)	(0.9)	(1.0)	(0.6)	(1.6)	(1.5)
Past service cost	-	(0.2)	-	-	-	(0.2)
Curtailment	(0.3)	-	-	-	(0.3)	-
Interest (cost)/income	(1.8)	(2.0)	1.3	1.6	(0.5)	(0.4)
	(2.7)	(3.1)	0.3	1.0	(2.4)	(2.1)
Amount recognised in the statement of comprehensive income (SOC)						
Actual return less expected return on pension scheme assets	-	-	(2.9)	0.6	(2.9)	0.6
Experience (loss)/gain arising on scheme liabilities	-	(0.1)	-	-	-	(0.1)
Remeasurement (loss)/gain due to financial assumption changes	6.6	(4.7)	-	-	6.6	(4.7)
Remeasurement gain due to demographic assumption changes	(0.2)	0.9	-	-	(0.2)	0.9
	6.4	(3.9)	(2.9)	0.6	3.5	(3.3)
Cash flows						
Contributions	(0.2)	(0.3)	3.5	3.6	3.3	3.3
Benefits paid	2.1	4.6	(2.1)	(4.6)	-	-
Closing position as at 31 March	(77.2)	(82.8)	60.7	61.9	(16.5)	(20.9)

The scheme liabilities have a duration of approximately 20 years.

Movement in net defined benefit liability - AVPS Scheme

	Defined benefit obligation		Fair value of scheme assets		Net defined benefit liability	
	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m
Opening position as at 1 April	(3.0)	(3.0)	3.7	3.9	0.7	0.9
Included in the income statement					-	-
Current service cost of defined benefit scheme	-	-	-	(0.2)	-	(0.2)
Interest (cost)/income	(0.1)	(0.1)	0.1	0.1	-	-
	(0.1)	(0.1)	0.1	(0.1)	-	(0.2)
Amount recognised in the statement of comprehensive income (SOC)						
Actual return less expected return on pension scheme assets	-	-	(0.3)	0.1	(0.3)	0.1
Remeasurement (loss)/gain due to financial assumption changes	0.3	(0.1)	-	-	0.3	(0.1)
	0.3	(0.1)	(0.3)	0.1	0.0	-
Cash flows						
Benefits paid	0.1	0.2	(0.1)	(0.2)	-	-
Closing position as at 31 March	(2.7)	(3.0)	3.4	3.7	0.7	0.7

The AVPS has a surplus of £0.7m (2019: £0.7m). This surplus has not been recognised in line with 'IFRIC 14' as the surplus cannot be recovered by reducing future contributions.

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26. Retirement benefit liabilities continued

History of experience gains and losses

	GMPF		MAG (STAL)		EMIA		AVPS		TOTAL	
	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m	2020 £m	2019 £m
Difference between actual and expected returns on assets amount	(53.6)	28.9	(6.1)	6.0	(2.9)	0.6	(0.3)	(0.1)	(62.9)	35.4
% of scheme assets	-13.1%	6.2%	-3.3%	3.2%	-4.8%	1.0%	-8.8%	-2.7%	-9.6%	4.9%
Experience (loss)/gain on liabilities amount	8.2	(0.7)	(4.2)	(0.1)	-	(0.1)	-	-	4.0	(0.9)
% of scheme liabilities	-1.9%	0.1%	2.3%	-	-	0.1%	-	-	-0.6%	0.1%
Total amount recognised in SOCI	6.8	8.9	20.7	(2.3)	3.5	(3.3)	-	-	31.0	3.3
% of scheme liabilities	-1.5%	-1.8%	-11.4%	1.1%	-4.5%	4.0%	-	-	-4.4%	-0.4%

** The movement of £3.3m in addition to the £0.2m change in asset ceiling results in a total movement of £3.5m through the SOCI.

Sensitivity analysis

	GMPF	MAG (STAL)	EMIA	AVPS	TOTAL
	2020 £m	2020 £m	2020 £m	2020 £m	2020 £m
0.5% increase in real discount rate	(31.4)	(18.2)	(7.1)	(0.3)	(57.0)
0.5% decrease in real discount rate	35.7	21.9	8.1	0.3	66.0
0.5% increase in RPI inflation	35.3	18.2	5.5	0.3	59.3
0.5% decrease in RPI inflation	(31.8)	(16.4)	(5.1)	(0.2)	(53.5)
0.5% increase in the salary increase rate	4.6	3.6	-	N/A	8.2
0.5% decrease in the salary increase rate	(4.5)	(3.6)	-	N/A	(8.1)
1 year increase in life expectancy	15.7	5.5	3.6	0.2	25.0
1 year decrease in life expectancy	(15.7)	(5.5)	(3.6)	(0.2)	(25.0)

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27. Lease liabilities

	Land and Buildings £m	Airport infrastructure £m	Plant, fixtures and equipment £m	Total £m
At 1 April 2019	218.4	198.1	0.7	417.2
Additions	-	-	3.2	3.2
Interest charge for the period	11.2	10.3	0.1	21.6
Payments of liabilities	(16.1)	(10.6)	(0.5)	(27.2)
Reclassification to assets held for sale	(2.9)	-	-	(2.9)
Remeasurements	0.1	0.3	-	0.4
At 31 March 2020	210.7	198.1	3.5	412.3

Maturity analysis of lease liabilities - discounted

	Land and Buildings £m	Airport infrastructure £m	Plant, fixtures and equipment £m	Total £m
Within 1 year	4.1	0.4	0.8	5.3
Within 2 to 5 years	11.7	2.0	2.7	16.4
After 5 years	194.9	195.7	-	390.6
Total	210.7	198.1	3.5	412.3

Maturity analysis of lease liabilities - undiscounted

The table below shows the gross undiscounted contractual cash outflows in relation to the Group's lease liabilities as at 31 March 2020 to the contract maturity date.

	Land and Buildings £m	Airport infrastructure £m	Plant, fixtures and equipment £m	Total £m
In one year or less, or on demand	16.0	10.6	1.0	27.6
In more than one year, but not more than two years	15.3	10.6	0.9	26.8
In more than two years but not more than five years	41.3	31.7	2.0	75.0
In more than five years	603.0	613.2	-	1,216.2
Total	675.6	666.1	3.9	1,345.6

The expense relating to variable lease payments not included in the measurement of lease liabilities is £1.5m.

Key lease arrangements

Manchester City Council (held within land and buildings):

The Group has a commitment in respect of a land lease with The Council of the City of Manchester (MCC), a related party as described in note 33. Ground rent leases are a base fee of £2.8m, and this element of the lease contributed £52.7m to the opening right-of-use asset and lease liability in land and buildings.

Further minimum amounts are payable under the main lease agreement with MCC. Payments have two elements, one element variable based on turnover, and one element based on rental value of a number of properties at Manchester airport. The minimum amounts due on the turnover element are based on a percentage of the prior rent paid. Whilst variable lease payments are typically excluded from the calculation of lease liability under IFRS 16, management have concluded that these minimum percentage payments qualify as an in-substance fixed lease payment, contributing £53.9m to the opening right-of-use asset and finance lease liability. As property element lease payments are variable depending on an index or rate, this element has given rise to a further £86.8m contribution to the opening right-of-use asset and lease liability. All elements of the MCC lease are included in the measurement of the lease liability.

In total, the MCC contributes £193.3m of the opening right-of-use asset and lease liability in land and buildings, and no element of the annual rent is excluded from the measurement of the lease liability.

UK Power Networks (held within airport infrastructure):

A significant portion of the airport infrastructure lease liability relates to an electricity distribution agreement with UK Power Networks. Included in the measurement of the lease liability are minimum amounts payable under the agreement, relating to a base fee of £8.4m, and £2.2m for capital investment in the network, contributing £198.1m to the opening right-of-use asset and lease liability. Remaining amounts of £0.7m are due, relating a volume and recharge element. These are variable in nature with no minimum commitment, and therefore excluded in measurement of the lease liability.

Aberdeen Standard (held within land and buildings):

The Group has a commitment in relation to a lease of office property at Manchester Airport with Aberdeen Standard. Included in the measurement of the lease liability is fixed rent due under the lease, currently £1.0m and reviewed five-yearly to reflect prevailing market rates. The obligations under this lease have contributed £14.5m to the opening right-of-use asset and lease liability.

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28. Deferred taxation

The following are the major deferred tax liabilities and assets recognised by the Group and movements in relation to them during the current and prior years.

	Accelerated capital allowances £m	Investment properties £m	Retirement benefit obligations £m	Fair value acquisition adjustment £m	Short-term timing differences* £m	Total £m
At 1 April 2019	109.9	77.9	(14.2)	31.9	3.4	208.9
(Credit)/charge to income	12.6	6.4	-	1.2	2.6	22.8
(Credit) to equity	-	-	5.4	-	-	5.4
At 31 March 2020	122.5	84.3	(8.8)	33.1	6.0	237.1
At 1 April 2018	111.4	74.0	(14.8)	34.2	0.6	205.4
(Credit)/charge to income	(1.5)	3.9	-	(2.3)	2.8	2.9
(Credit) to equity	-	-	0.6	-	-	0.6
At 31 March 2019	109.9	77.9	(14.2)	31.9	3.4	208.9

*Includes a deferred tax asset of £78.2m for lease liabilities, and a deferred tax liability of £77.8m for lease assets.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities have been offset in the disclosure above. The following is the analysis of the deferred tax balance for financial reporting purposes:

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Deferred tax liabilities	324.1	(223.1)
Deferred tax asset	(87.0)	14.2
	237.1	(208.9)

Of the £328.7m deferred tax liability, £62.8m is attributable to discontinued operations and has been classified as a liability associated with the asset held for sale in note 17.

29. Other non-current liabilities

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Accruals and deferred income	4.3	4.5
Capital-based grants	17.5	14.6
	21.8	19.1

30. Share capital and share premium

	Ordinary shares of £1 each			Total £m
	Number of shares m	Share capital £m	Share premium £m	
Issued, called up and fully paid				
At 31 March 2020	175.3	175.3	2,668.9	2,844.2
At 31 March 2019	175.3	175.3	2,668.9	2,844.2

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31. Reserves

	Other reserves £m	Retained earnings £m	Total £m
At 1 April 2019	(1,249.6)	776.2	(473.4)
Remeasurement of retirement benefit liabilities	-	31.0	31.0
Deferred tax on remeasurement of retirement benefit liabilities	-	(7.1)	(7.1)
Foreign exchange movement	-	1.7	1.7
Result for the year	-	97.7	97.7
Dividends paid in the year	-	-	-
As at 31 March 2020	(1,249.6)	899.5	(350.1)

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Reconciliation of movement in shareholders' funds		
Opening shareholders' funds	2,370.8	1,826.7
Total recognised income for the year	123.3	194.1
Share issue	-	350.0
Equity shareholders' funds as at 31 March	2,494.1	2,370.8

32. Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Capital expenditure that has been contracted for but has not been provided for in the financial statements	50.1	155.3

The Group has performance bonds and other items arising in the normal course of business amounting to £3.3m at 31 March 2020 (2019: £3.0m). As part of its investment in Airport City the Group has agreed to pay an equity contribution up to a maximum of £42.0m if required.

33. Related party transactions

Transactions involving the Council of the City of Manchester and the other council shareholders

The Council of the City of Manchester ('MCC') is a related party to Manchester Airports Holdings Limited as MCC owns 35.5% of the share capital of the Company. During the year the MAGIL Group was party to the following transactions with MCC:

Included in external charges are charges for rent and rates amounting to £27.7m (2019: £25.1m) and other sundry charges of £0.2m (2019: £0.3m). The majority of these amounts are due to MCC. The remainder are collected by MCC and distributed to the other local authorities, each of which is a related party to Manchester Airport Group Investments Limited through its shareholding in Manchester Airports Holdings Limited, the ultimate parent company.

Transactions involving IFM

Industry Funds Management (IFM), through its subsidiary, is a related party to Manchester Airport Group Investments Limited as IFM owns 35.5% of the share capital of Manchester Airports Holdings Limited, the ultimate parent company. During the year the MAGIL Group did not enter into any transactions with IFM.

Transactions involving Manchester Airports Holdings Limited

Manchester Airports Holdings Limited (MAHL) is the ultimate parent company of Manchester Airport Group Investments Limited. During the year the MAGIL Group entered into the following transactions with MAHL:

As at 31 March 2020 the amount of loans outstanding owed by MAHL was £950.9m (2019: £732.8m), relating to cash transferred by the MAGIL Group to MAHL for dividend payments made by MAHL to its shareholders, and interest on the unpaid balance. Included within finance income is interest on loans outstanding owed by MAHL of £18.8m (2019: £14.0m).

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33. Related party transactions continued

Transactions involving Manchester Airport Finance Holdings Limited (MAFHL)

Manchester Airport Finance Holdings Limited (MAFHL) is the parent company of Manchester Airport Group Investments Limited. During the year the MAGIL Group entered into the following transactions with MAFHL:

As at 31 March 2020 the amount of loans outstanding owed by MAFHL was £225.1m (2019: £192.4m), relating to interest payments on shareholder loans held outside of the MAGIL Group.

Transactions involving Airport City (Manchester) Limited

Airport City (Manchester) Limited is a fellow Group company of the MAHL Group. During the year MAGIL Group entered into the following transactions with Airport City (Manchester) Limited:

As at 31 March 2020 the balance outstanding owed by Airport City (Manchester) Limited was £63.4m (2019: £37.8m), relating to the transfer of assets and funding. During the year Airport City (Manchester) Limited increased funding by £25.6m (2019: repaid funding of £3.0m).

Transactions involving MAG Investments US Limited and its subsidiaries (MAG US)

MAG Investments US Limited and its subsidiaries (MAG US) are fellow Group companies of the MAHL Group. During the year the MAGIL Group entered into the following transactions with MAG US:

As at 31 March 2020 the balance outstanding owed by MAG US was £36.9m (2019: £25.9m), relating to funding provided by the MAGIL Group. During the year the MAGIL Group provided funding of £11.0m (2019: £7.0m).

Transactions involving Airport Services Investment Limited and its subsidiaries (ASIL)

Airport Services Investment Limited and its subsidiaries (ASIL) which include Looking4Parking Ltd and SkyParkSecure Ltd are fellow Group companies of the MAHL Group. During the year the MAGIL Group entered into the following transactions with ASIL:

As at 31 March 2020 the balance outstanding owed by ASIL was £10.8m (2019: £10.2m), relating to funding provided by the MAGIL Group. During the year the MAGIL Group provided funding of £0.6m (2019: £10.2m).

34. Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt

	2019 £m	Cash flow £m	Other non-cash movements £m	2020 £m
Cash at bank and in hand	23.4	210.6	-	234.0
Cash on short term deposit	-	-	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents disclosed in the statement of financial position	23.4	210.6	-	234.0
Overdrafts	-	-	-	-
Total cash and cash equivalents (including overdrafts)	23.4	210.6	-	234.0
Current debt	-	-	-	-
Non-current debt	(1,230.7)	(690.9)	(1.7)	(1,923.3)
Net debt	(1,207.3)	(480.3)	(1.7)	(1,689.3)
IFRS 16*				
Current debt	(5.3)	-	-	(5.3)
Non-current debt	(411.9)	5.6	(0.7)	(407.0)
	(417.2)	5.6	(0.7)	(412.3)

* The adoption of IFRS 16 for the accounting period ending 31 March 2020 has given rise to a lease liability.

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35. Impact of IFRS 16 upon primary statements

The purpose of these pages is to provide a reconciliation from the interim financial results to the pro-forma statements with the previous IAS 17 policies adopted by the Group (including key APMs such as Adjusted EBITDA*), thereby giving the reader greater insight into the impact of IFRS 16 on the reporting of Group since the modified retrospective methodology of implementation does not permit restatement of comparative figures. The Group does not foresee removal of any existing APMs as a result of adoption of IFRS 16. In the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021, IFRS 16 comparatives will be available and as such the Group will no longer be required to produce the reconciliation below to illustrate the accounts on a like-for-like basis.

Consolidated income statement for the year ended 31 March 2020

	Continuing operations 2020 as reported £m	Rent and finance costs £m	Depreciation £m	Continuing operations 2020 under IAS 17 £m
Revenue	872.1	-	-	872.1
Operating charges excluding depreciation	(492.7)	(27.2)	-	(519.9)
Adjusted EBITDA*	379.4	(27.2)	-	352.2
Depreciation	(176.8)	-	8.0	(168.8)
Result from operations before significant items*	202.6	(27.2)	8.0	183.4
Significant items	(17.4)	-	-	(17.4)
Result from operations	185.2	(27.2)	8.0	166.0
Gains and losses on sale and valuation of investment properties	2.2	-	-	2.2
Finance income	18.8	-	-	18.8
Finance costs	(54.3)	21.6	-	(32.7)
Result before taxation	151.9	(5.6)	8.0	154.3

Consolidated statement of cashflows for the year ended 31 March 2020

	Continuing operations 2020 as reported £m	Payment recognised as operating charge £m	Interest charge £m	Lease repayment £m	Continuing operations 2020 under IAS 17 £m
Cash generated from continuing operations*	398.4	(27.2)	-	-	371.2
Result before taxation – discontinued operations	13.5	-	-	-	13.5
Finance expense - discontinued operations	14.7	-	-	-	14.7
Non cash movements - discontinued operations	(9.0)	-	-	-	(9.0)
Interest paid	(78.4)	-	21.6	-	(56.8)
Tax paid	(58.8)	-	-	-	(58.8)
Net cash from operating activities	280.4	(27.2)	21.6	-	274.8
Net cash used in investing activities	(535.0)	-	-	-	(535.0)
Net cash from/(used in) financing activities	472.1	-	-	5.6	477.7
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	217.5	(27.2)	21.6	5.6	217.5

*As explained on page 8.

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35. Impact of IFRS 16 upon primary statements continued

Consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 March 2020

	2020 as reported £m	Rent and finance costs £m	Depreciation £m	Opening balance £m	Additions and remeasurement £m	Transfers to assets held for sale and associated liabilities £m	2020 under IAS 17 £m
Non-current assets							
Goodwill	166.3	-	-	-	-	-	166.3
Intangible assets	38.9	-	-	-	-	-	38.9
Property, plant and equipment	3,305.5	-	-	-	-	-	3,305.5
Right-of-use assets	410.4	-	8.0	(417.2)	(4.0)	2.8	-
Investment properties	137.5	-	-	-	-	-	137.5
Deferred tax assets	87.0	-	-	-	-	-	87.0
	4,145.6	-	8.0	(417.2)	(4.0)	2.8	3,735.2
Current Assets							
Assets held for sale	443.8	-	-	-	-	(2.8)	441.0
Inventories	5.1	-	-	-	-	-	5.1
Trade and other receivables	92.8	-	-	-	-	-	92.8
Cash and cash equivalents	234.0	-	-	-	-	-	234.0
Amounts owed by group undertakings	1,286.3	-	-	-	-	-	1,286.3
	2,062.0	-	-	-	-	(2.8)	2,059.2
Current Liabilities							
Liabilities directly associated with assets held for sale	(73.7)	-	-	-	-	2.9	(70.8)
Trade and other payables	(270.6)	-	-	-	-	-	(270.6)
Deferred income	(19.3)	-	-	-	-	-	(19.3)
Current lease liabilities	(5.3)	-	-	5.5	-	(0.2)	-
Current tax liabilities	(28.3)	-	-	-	-	-	(28.3)
Amounts owed to group undertakings	(656.7)	-	-	-	-	-	(656.7)
	(1,053.9)	-	-	5.5	-	2.7	(1,045.7)
Net current liabilities	1,008.1	-	-	5.5	-	(0.1)	1,013.5
Non-current liabilities							
Borrowings	(1,923.3)	-	-	-	-	-	(1,923.3)
Retirement benefit liabilities	(46.2)	-	-	-	-	-	(46.2)
Non-current lease liabilities	(407.0)	(5.6)	-	411.7	3.6	(2.7)	-
Deferred tax liabilities	(261.3)	-	-	-	-	-	(261.3)
Other non-current liabilities	(21.8)	-	-	-	-	-	(21.8)
	(2,659.6)	(5.6)	-	411.7	3.6	(2.7)	(2,252.6)
Net Assets	2,494.1	(5.6)	8.0	-	(0.4)	-	2,496.1

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35. Impact of IFRS 16 upon primary statements continued

Reconciliation from IAS 17 to IFRS 16 lease liability

The purpose of the below table is to provide a reconciliation from the lease commitment disclosed in the 31 March 2019 Annual Report and Accounts, under the previous standard (IAS 17), to the opening lease liability as disclosed in this Annual Report and Accounts, under the new standard (IFRS 16).

	Lease liability £m
31 March 2019 - IAS 17 disclosure total	439.9
Application of discount rate to future lease payments ¹	(5.9)
IFRS 16 opening impact estimate - 31 March 2019	434.0
Inclusion of fixed payments/exclusion of contingent rent ²	(2.4)
Impact of rent increases	0.2
Revision of discount rates used on long term leases ³	(22.3)
Adjustments to timing of payments	7.9
Other	(0.2)
	(16.8)
IFRS 16 opening impact - 1 April 2019	417.2

Notes:

¹ Under IAS 17, lease payments were undiscounted, except in the case of the MCC and UK Power Networks lease commitments discussed in note

27, where a discount rate of 5% has been historically applied. Under IFRS 16, all future lease payments are discounted with reference to the interest rate implicit in the lease.

² As part of our review of all lease commitments in place leading up to our first time adoption of IFRS 16, we found a number of elements previously

believed to be contractual were in fact contingent and fell outside of the scope of measurement of our IFRS 16 lease liability. As such, these elements have been excluded before arriving at the Group's opening position as at 1 April 2019.

³ The discount rates used on the MCC and UK Power Networks leases were increased, to better reflect the long term nature of these arrangements.

36. Post balance sheet events

On 26 June 2020 the Group obtained the approval from its Banks and Bondholders for the waiver of the requirement to perform loan covenant testing as at 30 September 2020 and 31 March 2021. Additionally, MAG's shareholders have injected £300m of funds into the Group.

As a response to COVID-19 the Group reduced and refocused its transformation activity at both Manchester and Stansted with the focus being to complete the current phase of work at both airports. The phasing of future phase transformation activity will align as demand levels return.

On 22 June 2020 the Group acquired 100% of the share capital of airportparkingreservations.com LLC ("APR") and parksleepfly.com LLC ("PSF") with approximately 55% (\$30m USD) of the estimated cash consideration being payable in the financial year, with deferred consideration payable in April 2021 and a potential third tranche of consideration payable in April 2022 contingent upon US passenger numbers.

Company Financial Statements

Accounting policies

Manchester Airports Group Investments Limited (the 'Company') is a company limited by shares and incorporated and domiciled in England. The address of the registered office is Olympic House, Manchester Airport, M90 1QX.

These financial statements present information about the Company as an individual undertaking and not about its Group.

These financial statements were prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland ('FRS 102') as issued in August 2014. The amendments to FRS 102 issued in July 2015 and effective immediately have been applied. The presentation currency of these financial statements is sterling. All amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest £100,000.

In these financial statements, the Company is considered to be a qualifying entity for the purposes of FRS 102, and has applied the exemptions available under this FRS in respect of the following disclosures:

- statement of cash flows and related notes;
- key management personnel compensation;
- related parties; and
- reconciliation of the number of shares outstanding from the beginning to the end of the period.

Furthermore, as the consolidated financial statements of Manchester Airports Groups Limited include the equivalent disclosures, the Company has also taken the exemptions under FRS 102 available in respect of the following disclosures:

- The disclosures required by FRS 102.11 Basic Financial Instruments and FRS 102.12 Other Financial Instrument Issues in respect of financial instruments not falling within the fair value accounting rules of Paragraph 36(4) of Schedule 1.

The accounting policies set out, unless otherwise stated, have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements.

Measurement convention

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis.

Functional currency

The Company's functional and presentation currency is the pound sterling.

Investments in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are carried at cost less provision for diminution in value.

Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings

Intercompany balances are stated at historic cost.

Interest payable

Interest payable is recognised in the income statement as it accrues, using the effective interest method.

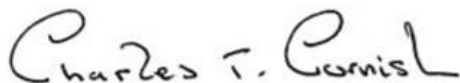
Statement of financial position

as at 31 March 2020

	Note	2020 £m	2019 £m
Non-current assets			
Investments	3	4,627.7	4,627.7
		4,627.7	4,627.7
Current Assets			
Trade and other receivables	4	1,063.0	1,063.0
		1,063.0	1,063.0
Liabilities			
Current liabilities	5	(619.1)	(619.1)
Net current assets		443.9	443.9
Total assets less current liabilities		5,071.6	5,071.6
Net assets		5,071.6	5,071.6
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	6	175.3	175.3
Share premium		2,668.9	2,668.9
Retained earnings		2,227.4	2,227.4
Total equity		5,071.6	5,071.6

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 77 to 82 were approved by the Board of Directors on 9 July 2020 and signed on its behalf by:



Charlie Cornish, Group Chief Executive, MAGIL

Statement of changes in equity*for the year ended 31 March 2020*

	Share capital	Share premium	Profit and loss account	Total
	£m	£m	£m	£m
Balance at 1 April 2019	175.3	2,668.9	2,227.4	5,071.6
Total comprehensive income for the year				
Result for the year	-	-	-	-
Balance at 31 March 2020	175.3	2,668.9	2,227.4	5,071.6

Statement of changes in equity*for the year ended 31 March 2019*

	Share capital	Share premium	Profit and loss account	Total
	£m	£m	£m	£m
Balance at 1 April 2018	0.3	2,493.9	52.5	2,546.7
Total comprehensive income for the year				
Issue of shares	175.0	175.0	-	350.0
Dividend received	-	-	2,174.9	2,174.9
Result for the year	-	-	-	-
	175.0	175.0	2,174.9	2,524.9
Balance at 31 March 2019	175.3	2,668.9	2,227.4	5,071.6

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements

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1. Notes to the income statement

Amounts receivable by the Company's auditor and the auditor's associates, in respect of services to the Company and the Company's subsidiaries, have not been disclosed as the information has been disclosed on a consolidated basis as noted on page 47. The Directors of Manchester Airport Group Limited during the year and their aggregate remuneration is disclosed on a consolidated basis in note 6 to the consolidated financial statements, on page 33. The highest paid director disclosed within this note is the highest paid director of the Company.

2. Loss on ordinary activities after taxation of the company

As permitted by Section 408 of the Companies Act, the Company is exempt from the requirement to present its own profit and loss account. As shown in the statement of changes in equity, the result attributable to the Company is a profit of £nil (2019: £nil).

3. Investments

	Subsidiary undertakings £m
Cost and net book value	
At 1 April 2019	4,627.7
At 31 March 2020	4,627.7

The carrying value of the investment in subsidiary has been considered for impairment. The impairment testing compared the carrying value of the cost of investment of £4,627.7m and the net inter-company balance of £402.0m was compared against the recoverable amount determined by:

- the Value in Use of the 3 CGU's owned by MAGIL amounting to £6,152.0m (as detailed in note 16 of the consolidated accounts); and
- the net Assets Held for Sale relating to the MAGIAL subsidiary of £370.1m

The result of the testing including, the downside scenarios (detailed in note 16 of the consolidated accounts), identified a reduced headroom but no impairment.

4. Trade and other receivables

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	1,063.0	1,063.0
	1,063.0	1,063.0

Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings are unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand.

5. Trade and other payables

	2020 £m	2019 £m
Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	619.1	619.1
	619.1	619.1

Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings are unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand.

6. Called up share capital

	Number (m)	2020 £m	2019 £m
Issued, called up and fully paid			
Ordinary shares of £1 each	175.3	175.3	175.3
		175.3	175.3

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7. Subsidiary undertakings

Name of undertaking	Description of shares held	Proportion of nominal value of issued shares held by:		Principal activity
		Group	Company	
Airport Advertising Limited ²	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Non trading
Airport Petroleum Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Non trading
Bainsdown Limited ²	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Property holding company
East Midlands Airport Core Property Investments Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Non trading
East Midlands Airport Nottingham Derby Leicester Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Intermediate holding company of East Midlands International Airport Limited
East Midlands Airport Property Investments (Hotels) Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Investment property holding company
East Midlands Airport Property Investments (Industrial) Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Investment property holding company
East Midlands Airport Property Investments (Offices) Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Investment property holding company
East Midlands International Airport Limited ³	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Airport operator
	9% cumulative redeemable preference shares	100%		
EMIA Pension Trustee Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%	100%	Pension trustee
Manchester Airport Aviation Services Limited ²	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Investment holding company
Manchester Airport Group Finance Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Investment holding company
Manchester Airport Group Funding Plc ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Investment holding company
Manchester Airport Group Investments Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Investment holding company
Manchester Airport Group Property Developments Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Property development company
Manchester Airport Group Property Services Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Property management company
MAG Investments Assets Limited ²	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Holding company
MAG Airport Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Trading company
Manchester Airport Plc ²	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Airport operator
Manchester Airport Property Investments (Hotels) Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Investment property holding company
Manchester Airport Property Investments (Industrial) Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Investment property holding company
Manchester Airport Property Investments (Offices) Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Investment property holding company
Manchester Airport Ventures Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Intermediate holding company for Airport Advertising Limited and Airport Petroleum Limited
MAG DC Pension Trustee Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%	100%	Pension trustee
MAG Pension Trustee Limited ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%	100%	Pension trustee
Ringway Developments Plc ¹	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Property holding company
Ringway Handling Limited ²	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Non trading
Ringway Handling Services Limited ²	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Non trading
Stansted Airport Limited ⁴	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		Airport operator
Worknorth Limited ¹	7% cumulative redeemable preference shares	100%		Non trading
	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		
Worknorth II Limited ²	7% cumulative redeemable preference shares	100%		Non trading
	Ordinary £1 shares	100%		

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7. Subsidiary undertakings continued**NOTES:**

The registered office addresses for each of the above companies are listed below.

^{1.} Olympic House, Manchester Airport, Manchester, M90 1QX

^{2.} PO Box 532, Town Hall, Albert Square, Manchester, M60 2LA

^{3.} Building 34, East Midlands Airport, Castle Donington, Derby DE74 2SA

^{4.} Enterprise House, Bassingbourn Road, Stansted Airport, Essex, CM24 1QW

All the above companies operate in their country of incorporation or registration, which is England and Wales.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Cautionary Statement: The Annual Report and Accounts contains certain forward-looking statements with respect to the operations, performance and financial condition of the group. By their nature, these statements involve uncertainty since future events and circumstances can cause results and developments to differ materially those anticipated. The forward-looking statements reflect knowledge and information available at the date of preparation of this annual report and the company undertakes no obligation to update these forward-looking statements. Nothing in this annual report should be construed as a profit forecast. Unless expressly stated otherwise, the 'Group', 'MAGIL', 'Manchester Airports Group Investments Limited', or 'the Company' means Manchester Airports Group Investments Limited and its subsidiary undertakings.