

Kingfisher International Holdings Limited

Strategic report

The Directors, in preparing this strategic report, have complied with section 414C of the Companies Act 2006.

Principal activities

Kingfisher International Holdings Limited (the "Company") operates as an investment company within the Kingfisher plc group (the "Group").

Business review

The profit for the year, after taxation, amounted to £1,011,647,000 (2020/21: loss for the year £25,994,000).

The Group is undergoing an internal reorganisation to eliminate a number of legacy entities and to enable efficient repatriation of funds across the Group. As part of this reorganisation the Company has received income of £9,686,109,000 and recognised £8,672,525,000 in impairment.

Net assets at year end were £1,941,501,000 (2020/21: £929,854,000). This is predominately composed of amounts owed by related undertakings, partly offset by amounts owed to related undertakings.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Kingfisher plc. From the perspective of the Directors, the principal risks and uncertainties are integrated with the principal risks of the Group and are not managed separately. The review of the business of Kingfisher plc and its subsidiaries which provide a comprehensive analysis of the main trends and factors likely to affect the development, performance and position of the business, and a description of the principal risks and uncertainties facing the business can be found on pages 42 to 48 of the 2021/22 Kingfisher plc Annual Report and Financial Statements.

Financial risk management

The Company operates as an investment company within the Group, and as such is exposed to a variety of financial risks, which include interest and foreign exchange risk, liquidity and credit risk.

As part of the Group these risks are managed centrally by Group Treasury, which has in place a Board approved Treasury Policy and a risk management programme that ensures that the impact of such risks is minimised. Further information on the Group's financial risk management policies can be found in note 25 of the 2021/22 Kingfisher plc Annual Report and Financial Statements.

Key performance indicators

The Directors manage the Company's operations on a Group basis and so the Directors of the Company believe that analysis using key performance indicators for the Company is not necessary for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business of the Company, other than the above mentioned net assets and profit (loss). The Group's development, performance and position is discussed in the 2021/22 Kingfisher plc Annual Report and Financial Statements, which does not form part of this report.

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Section 172(1) and stakeholder engagement statement

The Directors are fully aware of their responsibilities to promote the success of the company in accordance with section 172 (s172) of the Companies Act 2006 (the Act).

When making decisions, Directors have regard to the interests of stakeholders relevant to the Company, as an investment company. As well as the likely consequences of any decision in the long term and the desirability of the company maintaining a reputation for high standards of business conduct. They also fulfil their responsibilities through Kingfisher's highly developed framework, which includes but is not limited to Kingfisher plc Group policies, business principles and the Kingfisher Code of Conduct.

Last year, when approving the exit from Russia and the associated store closures, the Board considered the impact on our colleagues and oversaw the communications with the impacted individuals.

The purpose of Kingfisher International Holdings Limited is primarily to act as an investment company within the Kingfisher Group of companies. Due to the nature of the Company, no decisions were made by the Directors during the reporting period which required them to have regard to the matters set out in s172 of the Act.

Future developments

The Directors expect the Company to continue its principal activity as an investment company.

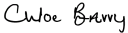
Post balance sheet events

In light of the events in Russia and Ukraine, note that the Company's balance sheet exposure to Russia and / or the Russian Rouble (see note 9 and note 10) is not deemed material following the disposal of the Castorama Russia business in September 2020.

The Company had a branch office in Luxemburg that was deregistered in April 2022.

The Company settled its intercompany payable of £1,829 million with Kingfisher plc in April 2022 by offsetting against intercompany receivables from Sheldon Holdings Limited.

Approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors:

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19 July 2022