Cognita Limited

Directors' report and unaudited financial statements Year ended 31 August 2022

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Company Information for the Year ended 31 August 2022

REGISTERED NUMBER: 05280910

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K Blunt

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Directors' report

The directors present their report and the unaudited financial statements of Cognita Limited (the "Company") for the year ended 31 August 2022.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the Company in the year under review was that of an investment holding company. The Company also provided management services to the Cognita Group.

Review of the business

The trading results for the year and the Company's financial position at the end of the year are shown in the attached financial statements.

The results are in line with expectations of the directors.

Dividends

The directors do not recommend payment of a dividend (2021: £nil).

Political Contributions

The Company made no political donations (2021: £nil) or incurred any political expenditure (2021: £nil) during the financial year.

Directors

The directors who served during the year and to the date of this report were as follows:

M Uzielli (Resigned 1 June 2022)

J Pinchbeck

C Jansen (Resigned 30 September 2021)
S Millman (Resigned 28 September 2021)
M Drake (Resigned 30 September 2021)
L Smith (Resigned 1 June 2022)
A Tolpeit (Appointed 1 June 2022)
K Blunt (Appointed 1 June 2022)

Controlling parties and ultimate parent undertaking

The Company's immediate parent undertaking is Cognita UK Holdings Limited, a company registered in England and Wales. The Company's ultimate parent undertaking at the date of balance sheet is Lernen Topco Limited, a company incorporated in England and Wales.

The ultimate controlling party at the date of balance sheet is Jacobs Holding AG, a company incorporated in Switzerland.

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Directors' report (continued)

Going concern

The Directors have concluded that it is reasonable to adopt a going concern basis in preparing these financial statements, based on an expectation that the Group and Lernen Bidco Limited has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for at least 12 months from the date of signing these accounts.

In determining whether the financial statements can be prepared on a going concern basis, the Directors considered the Group's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect its future development, performance and position.

The cashflow forecasts of the Company and Lernen Bidco Limited have been considered in detail, focusing on a base case and relevant severe but plausible downside scenarios, in order to assess the Company's ability to continue in operation.

The Lernen Bidco group is expected to have sufficient cash to meet its liabilities as they fall due, remain in compliance with covenant requirements and continue operating as a going concern. On this basis, the Directors have concluded that Lernen Bidco Ltd would be in a position to satisfy any guarantor obligations over Cognita Limited, in turn ensuring that Cognita Limited would be in a position to fulfil any guarantor obligations of the Company and, as outlined above, the financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis.

Directors' report (continued)

Statement of directors' responsibilities

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

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law, they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom 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 company and of the profit or loss for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- · make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- notify its shareholders in writing about the use of disclosure exemptions, if any, of FRS 102 used in the preparation of financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will
 continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the Company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

Exemptions

The Company is a small company as defined by the Companies Act 2006 and is therefore exempt from the requirements to prepare a Strategic Report.

On behalf of the board

Director

23 May 20/23

K Blunt
Director
23 May 2023

Statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 August 2022

| | Note | 2022 £'000 | 2021 £'000 |
|---|------|---------------|---------------|
| Revenue | 3 | 2,287 | 2,111 |
| Operating costs | | (26,193) | (19,851) |
| Operating loss | 6 | (23,906) | (17,740) |
| Interest payable and similar charges | 7 | (23,895) | (23,418) |
| Loss on ordinary activities before taxation | | (47,801) | (41,158) |
| Tax on loss on ordinary activities | 8 | . | |
| Loss for the year | | (47,801) | (41,158) |
| Other comprehensive income for the year | | | |
| Total comprehensive expense for the year | | (47,801) | (41,158) |

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Balance sheet as at 31 August 2022

| | Note | 2022 £'000 | 2021 £'000 |
|--|------|-----------------|---------------|
| Fixed assets | | £ 000 | 2 000 |
| Intangible assets | 9 | 5,532 | 8,961 |
| Tangible assets | 10 | 332 | 429 |
| Investments | 11 | 98,501 | 98,501 |
| | | 104,365 | 107,923 |
| Current assets | 12 | 19,608 | 14,395 |
| Debtors Cash at bank | 12 | 4,177 | 4,550 |
| | | | |
| | | 23,785 | 18,945 |
| Total assets | | 128,150 | 126,836 |
| | | | |
| Current liabilities | | | |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | 13 | (403,469) | (356,392) |
| Provisions | 15 | (1,410) | |
| Total liabilities | | (404,879) | (356,460) |
| | | | |
| Net liabilities | | (276,729) | (229,624) |
| | | | |
| Capital and reserves | | | |
| Called-up share capital | 16 | 4.000 | 4,698 |
| Share premium | 16 | 4,698 20,115 | 19,419 |
| Other reserves Retained deficit | | (301,542) | (253,741) |
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| Total deficit | | (276,729) | (229,624) |
| | | | |

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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For the year ending 31 August 2022, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 479A of the Companies Act 2006 relating to subsidiary companies. The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the period in question in accordance with section 476. The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the board of directors on 23 May 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

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Statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 August 2022

| | Note | Share capital £'000 | Share premium £'000 | Retained deficit £'000 | Other reserves £'000 | Total equity £'000 |
|---|------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Balance at 1 September 2020 | | - | 4,698 | (212,583) | 21,865 | (186,020) |
| Changes in equity Total comprehensive loss Equity settled share based payment | | - | - | (41,158) | - | (41,158) |
| transactions | | - | | | (2,446) | (2,446) |
| Balance at 31 August 2021 | | - | 4,698 | (253,741) | 19,419 | (229,624) |
| Changes in equity Total comprehensive loss Equity settled share based payment | | - | - | (47,801) | - | (47,801) |
| transactions | | - | | - | 696 | 696 |
| Balance at 31 August 2022 | | - | 4,698 | (301,542) | 20,115 | (276,729) |

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements Year ended 31 August 2022

1 Statutory information

Cognita Limited (the "Company") is a private company, limited by shares, incorporated and registered in England and Wales. The Company's registered number and registered office address are found on the Company Information page.

2 Summary of significant accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A - 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' ("FRS 102"), and with the Companies Act 2006. These financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis.

The functional and presentational currency of these financial statements is Great British Pounds Sterling.

All amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest £1,000.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, as set out in the statement of Directors responsibilities. Having considered the ability of the Company to continue as a going concern, the Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in existence for the foreseeable future.

Whilst the Company is expected to continue to remain in existence for a period of at least 12 months from the date of signing these financial statements, the Company does hold net current liabilities and has therefore obtained the support of Lernen Bidco Limited, in respect of short term liquidity requirements. The going concern status of the Company is therefore dependent on Lernen Bidco's ability to fulfil this guarantee if called upon.

In order to conclude on the going concern status of the Company, the Directors have considered the going concern status of Lernen Bidco Limited. The forecast financial position of the Lernen Bidco group has been considered in detail to determine the ability of Lernen Bidco Limited to fulfil its obligations as a guaranter of the Company.

Full details of the process the Directors have followed in assessing the going concern status of the Company can be found in the Lernen Bidco Limited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2022. The same process has been applied for these financial statements using the most up to date cashflow forecasts and recent assessment of severe but plausible downside scenarios.

The Lernen Bidco group is expected to have sufficient cash to meet its liabilities as they fall due, remain in compliance with covenant requirements and continue operating as a going concern. On this basis, the Directors have concluded that Lernen Bidco Ltd would be in a position to satisfy any guarantor obligations over Cognita Limited, in turn ensuring that Cognita Limited would be in a position to fulfil any guarantor obligations of the Company.

On this basis the Directors believe it remains appropriate to prepare the accounts on a going concern basis.

Consolidation

These financial statements present information about Cognita Limited as an individual company. The company is exempt by virtue of s400 of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirement to prepare consolidated financial statements as the Company and its subsidiary undertakings are included in the consolidated financial statements of Lernen Bidco Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.

The consolidated financial statements of Lernen Bidco Limited are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU and are available to the public by application to the registered office of that company.

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A - reduced disclosure exemptions

The Company has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemptions in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102:

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows;
- the requirements of Section 33 Related Party Disclosures paragraph 33.7;

As the consolidated financial statements of Lernen Bidco Limited include the equivalent disclosures, the Company has also taken the exemptions under FRS 102 available in respect of the following disclosures:

- certain disclosures required by Section 26.18, 26.19 and 26.23 Share Based Payments; and
- the disclosures required by Section 11 Basic Financial Instruments and Section 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 below have, unless otherwise stated, been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements.

Financial Instruments

Financial instruments are accounted for in accordance with Section 11 and Section 12 of FRS 102.

Trade and other debtors / creditors

Trade and other debtors/creditors are recognised initially at fair value, which is usually the transaction price. If the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, it is initially measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for similar debt instrument (as determined at initial recognition) and adjusted for transaction costs.

Investments in subsidiaries

These are the separate financial statements of the Company. Investments in subsidiaries are carried at cost less impairment in accordance with FRS 102.

Revenue

Revenue represents management charges to other group companies and is recognised in line with the provision of management services.

Income from fixed asset investments

Dividends received from subsidiary undertakings are recognised when the right to receive payment has been established.

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Intangible assets

Cognita Limited's intangible assets consist of software and software licences. Software consists of internally developed assets. Researching activities which do not meet the criteria for capitalisation are expensed to the statement of comprehensive income. Computer software and licences are stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Computer software and licences are amortised over their useful life of 3-5 years.

Tangible fixed assets

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost.

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Leasehold improvements - Over the life of the lease Fixtures, fittings and equipment - 10 - 25% on cost Computer equipment - 33% on cost

The % rate of depreciation are charged on an annual basis.

Impairment excluding inventories and deferred tax assets

Financial assets (including receivables)

A financial asset not carried at fair value through profit or loss is assessed at each reporting date to determine whether there is objective evidence that it is impaired. A financial asset is impaired if objective evidence indicates that a loss event has occurred after the initial recognition of the asset, and that the loss event had a negative effect on the estimated future cash flows of that asset that can be estimated reliably.

Non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of the Company's non-financial assets, other than inventories and deferred tax assets, are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment.

Indications of impairment are identified by reviewing events or changes in circumstance which suggest that the carrying amount of an asset is not recoverable. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. The recoverable amount is deemed to be the higher of fair value less costs of disposal and value in use.

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences where transactions or events that give the Company an obligation to pay more tax in the future, or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets are recognised when it is more likely than not that they will be recovered. Deferred tax is measured using rates of tax that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date, on an undiscounted basis.

Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange prevailing at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange prevailing at the date of the transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating loss except for exchange gains and losses on intercompany loans which are taken to finance costs.

Operating lease agreements

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged to the income statement on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Pensions

The pension costs charged against operating losses are the contributions payable to the defined contribution pension scheme in respect of the accounting period.

3 Revenue

Revenue is wholly attributable to the principal activity of the company.

| 1 | | |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| | 2022 £'000 | 2021 £'000 |
| | 2 000 | 2 000 |
| Management charges to other Group companies | 2,287 | 2,111 |
| Total revenue | 2,287 | 2,111 |
| An analysis of revenue by geographical market is given below: | | |
| | 2022 | 2021 |
| | 2022 £'000 | £'000 |
| | 2 000 | 2 000 |
| United Kingdom | 991 | 677 |
| Europe | 317 | 500 |
| Asia | 979 | 934 |
| | 2,287 | 2,111 |
| 4 Staff costs | | |
| | 2022 | 2021 |
| | £'000 | £'000 |
| Wages and salaries | 7,380 | 6,887 |
| Share based payments | 696 | (2,446) |
| Social security costs | 2,152 | 1,066 |
| Other pension costs | 303 | 322 |
| | 10,531 | 5,829 |
| | | |
| The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows: | 2022 | 2021 |
| Administrative staff | 49 | 57 |

£'000

£'000

Notes to the financial statements (continued) Year ended 31 August 2022

5 Directors' emoluments

Number of directors who:

Remuneration of directors were as follows:

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|-------|-------|
| | £'000 | £'000 |
| Aggregate emoluments and fees (including benefits in kind) | 958 | 1,550 |
| Performance bonuses | 625 | 1,729 |
| Emplyments of highest poid dispetor. | 1,582 | 3,279 |
| Emoluments of highest paid director: | 2022 | 2021 |

Total emoluments 690 1,901

Had awards receivable in the form of shares under a long term incentive plan

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No directors have benefits accruing under defined benefit pension schemes. One director has benefits accruing under a defined contribution pension scheme. During the period, the Company contributed £9,202 (2021: £8,000) to defined contribution pensions schemes on behalf of the directors of the Company.

6 Operating loss

Operating loss is stated after charging:

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|---|---------|-------|
| | £'000 | £'000 |
| Depreciation and amortisation of owned fixed assets | 3,515 | 3,083 |
| Professional services - Tax Compliance | 47 | 62 |
| Other expenditure | 7,114 | 7,017 |
| Acquisition and business exploration costs | 4,445 | 2,863 |
| Restructuring and associated advisory costs | 323 | 655 |
| Operating lease rentals: | | |
| - Property | 211 | 334 |
| | <u></u> | |

Acquisition and business exploration costs are costs incurred during the year on future business developments including those in new localities, regions and countries. The current year balance includes £4.4m of acquisition costs in relation to Middle East, USA and Latin America acquisitions. (2021: £2.9m of acquisition costs in relation to Italy, Switzerland and Latin America acquisitions). Restructuring costs mainly relate to exceptional employment cessation and associated legal costs. Other expenditure relates to costs incurred in order for the Company to provide management services to the group, including outsourced IT and other service costs.

7 Interest payable and similar charges

| | 2022 £'000 | 2021 £'000 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Interest payable to group companies Exchange losses on intercompany loans | 23,837 58 | 23,413 5 |
| | 23,895 | 23,418 |

8 Taxation

Analysis of tax charge

No liability due to UK corporation tax arose on ordinary activities for the year ended 31 August 2022 nor for the year ended 31 August 2021.

Reconciliation of total tax charge included in profit and loss

The tax assessed for the year is lower (2021: lower) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK. The difference is explained below:

| | 2022 £'000 | 2021 £'000 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Loss on ordinary activities before tax | (47,801) | (41,158) |
| Loss on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.00% ($2021:19.00\%$) | (9,082) | (7,820) |
| Effects of: | | 000 |
| Expenses not deductible for tax purposes | 475 | 323 |
| Group relief provided | 9,720 | 7,491 |
| Deferred tax not recognised | (1,113) | 6 |
| Total tax charge/(credit) | | - |

An unrecognised deferred tax asset relating to trading losses of £19,489,000 (2021: £9,459,000) remains available to offset against future taxable profits.

9 Intangible fixed assets

| | Computer software £'000 | Brands and licences £'000 | Total £'000 |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Cost | | | |
| At 1 September 2021 | 20,446 | 150 | 20,596 |
| Additions | - | | |
| At 31 August 2022 | 20,446 | 150 | 20,596 |
| Amortisation | 44.600 | _ | 44.605 |
| At 1 September 2021 | 11,630 | 5 | 11,635 |
| Charge for the year | 3,423 | 6 | 3,429 |
| At 31 August 2022 | 15,053 | 11 | 15,064 |
| Net Book Value | | | |
| At 31 August 2022 | 5,393 | 139 | 5,532 |
| At 31 August 2021 | 8,816 | 145 | 8,961 |
| | | | |

10 Tangible fixed assets

| | Leasehold improvements £'000 | Fixtures, fittings and equipment £'000 | Computer equipment £'000 | Total £'000 |
|---|------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| Cost At 1 September 2021 | 535 | 493 | 122 | 1,150 |
| Additions Disposals | | (55) | 7 | 18 (55) |
| At 31 August 2022 | 535 | 449 | 129 | 1,113 |
| Depreciation At 1 September 2021 Charge for the year Disposals | 368 32 | 244 43 (26) | 109 11 | 721 86 (26) |
| At 31 August 2022 | 400 | 261 | 120 | 781 |
| Net book value | | | | |
| At 31 August 2022 | 135 | 188 | 9 | 332 |
| At 31 August 2021 | 167 | 249 | 13 | 429 |

11 Investments in subsidiaries

Shares in subsidiary undertakings £'000

Cost

Balance as of 31 August 2021 and 31 August 2022

98,501

A full list of the Company's subsidiary undertakings are set out below:

| Subsidiary undertaking | Class of share capital held | % held 2022 | % held 2021 | Registered Office (Appendix) | Country of incorporation | Nature of business |
|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Cognita Schools Limited* | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 1 | England & Wales | Education |
| Cognita International Holdings Limited* # | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 1 | England & Wales | Holding Company |
| Super Camps Limited # | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 1 | England & Wales | Education |
| ALG Cognita Limited* # | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 1 | England & Wales | Education |
| ALG Active Learning Centres Limited # | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 1 | England & Wales | Education |
| St Nicholas Preparatory School Limited # | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 1 | England & Wales | Education |
| Ardmore Education Limited # | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 1 | England & Wales | Education |
| Ardmore Educational Travel Limited # | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 1 | England & Wales | Education |
| Ardmore Language Schools Limited # | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 1 | England & Wales | Education |
| Ardmore Language Schools Inc | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 2 | USA | Education |
| Cognita Singapore Holdings Pte Limited | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 3 | Singapore | Holding Company |
| Vanguard Era Investments Limited | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 4 | BVI ## | Holding Company |
| VOF PE Holding 1 Limited | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 5 | BVI ## | Holding Company |
| International Schools Limited | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 6 | BVI ## | Holding Company |
| International Education Corporation Joint Stock Company | ordinary | 100% | 100% | 7 | Vietnam | Education |
| Lotus Education and Training One Member Company Ltd | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 8 | Vietnam | Education |
| Global Education Network Company Limited | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 9 | Vietnam | Holding Company |
| Global Education Network Lotus Company Limited | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 9 | Vietnam | Holding Company |
| Global Education Network Hue Joint Stock Company | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 9 | Vietnam | Holding Company |
| Pioneer Service Joint Stock Company | Ordinary | 100% | 100% | 10 | Vietnam | Holding Company |
| | | | | | | |

11 Investments in subsidiaries (continued)

- * Directly held
- # "BVI" means British Virgin Islands

12 Debtors

| Amounts owed by group undertakings £'000 £'000 Prepayments and accrued income 18,944 13,909 19,608 14,395 13 Creditors 2022 2021 £'000 £'000 £'000 Creditors - amounts falling due within one year 205 204 Amounts owed to group undertakings 398,055 350,713 Accruals and deferred income 4,651 5,225 Other taxes and social security 49 62 Other creditors 509 188 403,469 356,392 | | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|---|----------|---------------|
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| | Other taxes and social security | 49 | 62 |
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| | | 403,469 | 356,392 |

14 Operating lease commitments

Non-cancellable operating lease rentals are payable as follows:

| | Land and | Land and |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| | buildings | buildings |
| | 2022 | 2021 |
| | £'000 | £'000 |
| Less than one year | 258 | 258 |
| Between one and five years | 508 | 767 |
| More than five years | - | - |
| | 7 67 | 1,025 |
| | | |

During the year £211,000 (2021: £334,000) was recognised as an expense in the statement of comprehensive income with respect to operating leases.

[#] The Company has provided a guarantee in respect of these subsidiary companies in order that they may claim exemption from audit under section 479A of the Companies Act 2006.

15 Provisions for liabilities

| 2022 | 2021 |
|-------|----------------------|
| £'000 | £'000 |
| 51 | 51 |
| 1,359 | 17 |
| 1,410 | 68 |
| | £'000 51 1,359 |

The dilapidation provision represents the anticipated costs of returning leased premises to their original state as required by the terms of the lease.

The level of provision is based upon an annual review of the current condition of the building. The review is based upon internal and external examinations of the property.

During the year ended 31 August 2022, the company made a provision of £1.3m for UK employment tax liabilities related to a GSOP management incentive plan operated in periods ended 31 August 2010 to 2013. In the current year, the First Tier Tribunal published its decision in relation to a GSOP test case, finding in favour of HMRC. The test case is not being appealed by the taxpayer. Consequently, the company has entered settlement discussions with HMRC in relation to these historic liabilities.

16 Called-up share capital

| | Total share nominal value 2022 £'000 | Total share nominal value 2021 £'000 | Share premium 2022 £'000 | Share premium 2021 £'000 |
|---|---|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Allotted, called up and fully paid 3 (2021: 3) Ordinary shares of £1 each | · · - | | 4,698 | 4,698 |

17 Related party transactions

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption, under the terms of FRS 102, not to disclose related party transactions with wholly owned subsidiaries within the group.

18 Parent undertakings and controlling parties

The immediate parent undertaking is Cognita UK Holdings Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.

On 25 October 2018, the Company's ultimate parent company Cognita Topco Limited and the entire Cognita Group was acquired by Lernen Bidco Limited, a company registered in England and Wales. From this date, the ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Lernen Topco Limited.

The smallest group of companies for which group accounts have been drawn up is that headed by Lernen Bidco Limited. The largest group of companies for which group accounts have been drawn up is that headed by Lernen Topco Limited. Accounts for Lernen Bidco Limited and Lernen Topco Limited can be obtained from the registered office at Seebeck House, One Seebeck Place, Knowlhill, Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire, MK5 8FR.

Appendix - List of registered offices

- EMW, Seebeck House, 1 Seebeck Place, Knowlhill, Milton Keynes, MK5 8FR
- 420 Lexington Avenue, Suite 309, New York, NY 10170 USA
- 60 Anson Road #18-04 Mapletree Anson, Singapore 079914
- Offshore Incorporations Limited, P.O. Box 957, Offshore Incorporation Centre, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands
- Commence Chambers, P.O. Box 2208, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands
- International Trust Company B.V.I Limited, P.O. Box 659, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands
- No. 649A, Vo Truong Toan Street, An Phu Ward, District 2, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
- 92 Nguyen Huu Canh, Ward 22, Binh Thanh District, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
- Level 4, VietComReal Building, 68 Nguyen Hue St, Ren Nghe Ward, District 1, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam 26 Vo Truong Toan, An Phu Ward, District 2, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.