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# Company information

#### **Directors**

Roger Tucker (Executive Chairman) (appointed 1<sup>st</sup> May 2014)
Jacqueline Lim (Non-Executive Director)
Christopher McAuliffe (Non-Executive Director)
John Roddison FCA (Non-Executive Director)
John Davies (Non-Executive Director)

# **Company Secretary**

John Roddison FCA

#### **Registered Office**

24 Hanover Square London · W1S 1JD

# **Registered Number**

07987393 (England and Wales)

# Financial Adviser and Broker

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#### **Auditors**

Crowe Clark Whitehill LLP St Bride's House 10 Salisbury Square London EC4Y 8EH

# **Solicitors**

Hamlins LLP Roxburghe House 273-287 Regent Street London W1B 2AD

#### **Principal Bankers**

Royal Bank of Scotland plc 5 Church Street Sheffield S1 1HF

#### Registrars

Share Registrars Limited Suite E, First Floor 9 Lion and Lamb Yard Farnham Surrey GU9 7L

# Chairman's Statement

I am pleased to present the annual accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014; a period of continuing strong progress.

Xplorer Plc was incorporated on 12th March 2012 and was successfully admitted as a Standard Listing on the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange on the 11 July 2013, raising £1 million through the placing of 6,250,000 ordinary shares at 16 pence per share from institutional and other professional investors. By March 2014 we had driven our opportunity substantially forward and this enabled us to raise an additional £500,000 at 46 pence per share.

Xplorer plc was formed for the purpose of acquiring undervalued companies or assets in the oil and gas sector guided by an extensive list of 90 or so candidates which we had previously compiled with Sprint Capital. The money we raised has enabled us to conduct extensive research and due-diligence into these potential candidates and having set ourselves ambitious targets, a shortlist was compiled last year. Our Board is supported by Sprint Capital, a Hong Kong based private equity fund and its founders, Chris McAuliffe and Jacqueline Lim, who were invited to join Xplorer as non-executive directors at the time of our formation. Their skills, knowledge and ability have been pivotal in taking us to the position we are now in.

I joined the Board in May 2014 in order to assist in the launch and creation of a cohesive sector focused operating business. Xplorer and Sprint have diligently pursued investment opportunities for a period of time and are currently in exclusive negotiations with three entities. In all cases these discussions are approaching completion. The opportunity set comprises existing production with significant development upside, offshore exploration in a province with high levels of industry activity and finally, a large acreage position in a prospective but underexplored onshore basin. Xplorer and Sprint continue to review other opportunities that could be added to our portfolio.

The legal, financial and technical due diligence reports prepared by our various expert and professional advisers are now in the main, complete and we are in the closing stages of bringing the three candidates together under the Xplorer umbrella with plans to launch a further equity fund raising to be invested almost entirely in oil and gas productivity.

We thank our shareholders for their support during the past year and we look forward to announcing further news shortly.

Roger Tucker Executive Chairman

# Operational Review

Xplorer plc was established for the purpose of acquiring a company, business or asset that has operations in the oil and gas exploration and production sector that it will then look to develop and expand.

The Company has not as yet traded and no material level of interest income has been received to date. Since incorporation, its expenses have related to professional and associated expenses related to the Standard Listing, Placing, Advisory and Consultancy Fees, along with general administration expenses. These expenses have been met from the proceeds of the issue of Shares which have been the only sources of cash for the Company to date.

During this year the Company raised gross proceeds of £1,517,500 through the placing of new ordinary shares ("the Placing"). The Company also raised £100,000 (gross proceeds) through the issue of new ordinary shares and conversion of the convertible loan.

The capital raised has been used to fund the due diligence of potential projects as well as procuring the services of a board of people who have a number of years of experience in a range of various fields of expertise that will provide a sound foundation for the future development of the company.

The Board is responsible for the Company's business strategy and its overall supervision, including the identification and assessment of acquisition opportunities, the approval, structuring and execution of acquisitions and determination and execution of strategy for the acquired companies, businesses or assets. The Board has considerable experience in identifying acquisition targets and in executing such transactions.

#### Financial review

# Loss for the year

In the year to 31 March 2014 the Company incurred expenditure in the assessment and appraisal of a number of opportunities in accordance with the Company's investment strategy, including legal advice and consultancy fees, in addition to general administrative expenditure.

The Company incurred a loss for the year to 31 March 2014 of (1,026,010) (31 March 2013 – loss of (90,483)).

#### Cash flow

During the year ended 31 March 2014 the Company issued 6,250,000 Ordinary Shares of £0.001 nominal value, for a consideration of £0.16 per share, raising £1,000,000 gross.

Also during the year the convertible loan notes were converted into 1,250,000 new Ordinary Shares of £0.001 nominal value, for a consideration of £0.08 per share.

A further issue of 1,125,000 Ordinary Shares of £0.001 nominal value took place, for a consideration of £0.46 per share, raising a further £517,500 gross.

Cash was generated of £714,719 from financing activities.

Cash used in operations totaled £418,792.

# Closing cash

As at 31 March 2014, the Company held £221,768 in the bank account (31 March 2013 - £100 cash).

John Roddison FCA
Non-Executive Director

# **Board of Directors and Senior Management**

# Roger Tucker, Executive Chairman

Roger has managed a wide range of exploration and research projects in Europe, the Gulf of Mexico, onshore U.S. and Southeast Asia. He has completed a technical training program involving all branches of geosciences, and also served in expatriate assignments in Houston, Texas and Bordeaux, France. Roger began his 30 year career in the energy sector as a Senior Geologist & Research Specialist for Exxon, in the UK, France and USA, before moving to LASMO in London to become Director of Global Business Development for 5 years. Following this he was elected President of LASMO Venezuela & Member of the Group Executive Committee, one of the world's leading independent Exploration & Production companies. After leaving LASMO he focused his interest on the Independent Oil and Gas sector, and in 2001 he joined Yukos Oil in London as Managing Director, and formed the international business development arm of Yukos Oil. In 2005 he was a Partner for Tucker Energy Associates Ltd, an established advisory company offering bespoke strategic international energy advice to companies and investors in the Energy Sector, before moving on to become Chief Executive Officer at African Arabian Petroleum Ltd. In 2007 he became Chief Executive Officer of Latitude Energy, where he formed a vehicle designed to participate in consolidation of small cap Exploration and production sector in UK and internationally. In January 2009 he was elected Senior Vice President - Europe of the BG Group, directly responsible for budget, operational and bottom-line performance of the Europe business, and also sat on the Regional Executive and Investment Committees for the Americas, Central Asia and Brazil. BG Group is fully integrated and of significant scope, it generates PBIT in the region of \$2.3bn.

Roger is an International Energy Sector Executive with over 30 years' experience in Majors, Independents, emerging NOC's and PE funded entities. He has conducted business on a global basis at President, Minister and CEO level, and is extremely well networked across the globe, sector and advisors. Roger is fluent in English, French and Spanish, and has completed a PhD in Sedimentology and Geochemistry.

#### Jacqueline Lim (Hui – Erh Lim), Non-Executive Director

Jacqueline has over 15 years of experience in London and Hong Kong focusing on corporate finance, cross-border mergers and acquisitions, equity capital market and private equity transactions. She started her career as a lawyer with Allen & Overy in London and was a Partner with Paul Hastings, Janofsky & Walker responsible for its equity capital markets practice in Hong Kong, advising on a number of landmark transactions in Hong Kong, including many deals in the natural resources sector, including Western Mining, Hidili, Titan Mining, SSRG, GMR and Dragon Power. Jacqueline then became a Partner and Head of China Investments at Asiasons Capital Group, an alternative asset investment and management group listed on the Singapore Stock Exchange. Jacqueline is a founder shareholder and Managing Director of Sprint Capital and Sprint Capital Management Limited. Jacqueline received her LL.B.(Hons.) and Masters Degree in Law from the University of Bristol, qualifying as a Barrister in England and a Solicitor in Hong Kong. She is fluent in Mandarin and Cantonese, as well as English.

# **Board of Directors and Senior Management (continued)**

# Christopher John McAuliffe, Non-Executive Director

Chris is an experienced industrials and resources sector banker with significant relationships across Asia. Until February 2008, Chris was Managing Director and co-head of Asia Pacific Industrials Group for Citigroup (HK). Prior to which he worked for 13 years with CSFB (including BZW) including 5 years as Managing Director and Head of Asia Industrials Group at CSFB (Singapore). Chris has originated and advised on a large number of key mergers & acquisition, debt, equity capital markets and private equity transactions in Asia, including many deals in the natural resources and energy sector.

Chris holds a Business Law Degree LLB (Hons.) from Huddersfield University and an MBA from Bradford Business School. He is a founder shareholder and Managing Director of Sprint Capital Partners Limited, a Hong Kong based private equity investment manager, focused on undertaking investments in the natural resources and energy sectors.

#### John Roddison FCA, Non-Executive Director

John is a chartered accountant and is senior partner of Brown McLeod, a medium-sized accounting firm. John has built Brown McLeod into a specialist accounting firm with a select client base comprised of ultra high net worth individuals and a large number of clients in the Entertainment Industry covering Music, Film, Theatre and TV. His music clients include Pulp, Richard Hawley, Wretch 32 and The Kills and he has worked extensively in the film industry and acted as finance director for Parallel Pictures PLC, a film production company, which was admitted to AIM in 1998. He also previously served as Finance Director for AIM quoted Silvermere Energy PLC, which owns oil and gas activities in the Gulf of Mexico, off the coast of Texas, USA. He left following the successful reverse takeover of the Mustang Island assets in August 2011, which valued the enlarged group at £4.25m.

# John Guy William Davenport Davies, Non-Executive Director

John has over 30 years' experience in investment banking with Rowe and Pitman (1979-1981), Brown Brothers Harriman & Co (1981-1985) and Lehman Brothers where he became Co-Head of Institutional Equity Sales Europe (1985-1994). He was then appointed as a Managing Director of Bear Stearns International (1994-1996), before taking the role of Managing Director at Instinet (1996-1997), the electronic agency broker then owned by Reuters. In 1997 he joined Credit Lyonnais in London where he was Global Head of European Equity Sales. In 2001 he began his current specialist focus on hedge fund advisory and marketing, co-founding Altius Partners in partnership with Geneva based Mirabaud Group in 2001 and DNA Advisors in 2004. In 2006 he founded Davenport Capital Limited. He is currently a director of Davenport Capital. John holds an M.A. (Hons.) in Law from Emmanuel College, University of Cambridge.

# **Directors' Report**

The Directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 March 2014.

The Company's Ordinary Shares were admitted to listing on the London Stock Exchange, on the Official List pursuant to Chapters 14 of the Listing Rules, which sets out the requirements for Standard Listings, on 11 July 2013.

# **Directors**

The Directors of the Company during the year and their beneficial interest in the Ordinary shares of the Company at 31 March 2014 were as follows (audited):

Director	Position	Appointed	Ordinary shares	Options	Other
Roger Tucker*	<b>Executive Chairman</b>	01/05/2014	-	-	-
Jacqueline Lim**	Non-Executive Director	15/05/2012	1,875,050	-	-
Christopher McAuliffe**	Non-Executive Director	15/05/2012	1,875,050	-	-
John Roddison FCA***	Non-Executive Director	12/03/2012	2,063,300	-	•
John Davies ****	Non-Executive Director	07/12/2012	13,000	-	-

- \* On appointment Roger Tucker was awarded an option over 1.5% of the Company's enlarged share capital on completion of a successful reverse takeover. No price was paid in respect of this grant.
- \*\* 1,875,050 Ordinary Shares are held by Sprint Capital Management Limited, a company jointly controlled by Christopher McAuliffe and Jacqueline Lim, both Directors of the Company.
- \*\*\* 1,875,050 Ordinary Shares are held by Xplorer Capital Limited and 125,000 Ordinary Shares are held by Wednesday Limited; both companies are controlled by John Roddison, a Director of the Company. 53,250 shares are owned by John Roddison held in Whiston Corporate Services Ltd, and a further 10,000 owned by John Roddison held in WH Ireland.
- \*\*\*\* 13,000 Ordinary Shares are owned by John Davies, a Director of the Company, held in Whiston Corporate Services Ltd

#### **Qualifying Third Party Indemnity Provision**

The Company has not obtained any third party indemnity for its Directors.

# **Directors' Report (continued)**

#### Substantial shareholders

As at 31 March 2014, the total number of issued Ordinary Shares with voting rights in the Company was 12,375,100.

The Company has been notified of the following interests of 3 per cent or more in its issued share capital as at 16 July 2014.

	Number of Ordinary	% of
Party Name	Shares	Share Capital
John Roddison *	2,063,300	16.67%
Christopher McAuliffe **	1,875,050	15.15%
Jacqueline Lim **	1,875,050	15.15%
Jupiter Asset Management Limited	994,375	8.04%
Nicholas Nelson	702,500	5.68%

- \* 1,8<sup>i</sup>75,050 Ordinary Shares are held by Xplorer Capital Limited and 125,000 Ordinary Shares are held by Wednesday Limited; both companies are controlled by John Roddison, a Director of the Company. 53,250 were owned by John Roddison and held in Whiston Corporate Services Ltd, and a further 10,000 owned by John Roddison were held in WH Ireland.
- \*\* 1,875,050 Ordinary Shares are held by Sprint Capital Management Limited, a company jointly controlled by Christopher McAuliffe and Jacqueline Lim, both Directors of the Company.

#### Financial instruments

Details of the use of financial instruments by the Company are contained in note 14 of the financial statements.

#### Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions

Xplorer Plc's total GHG emissions for the period 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014 have been calculated as 5.89tCO₂e, which equates 0.28tCO₂e/FTE. Calculations have been carried out in accordance with the Defra Environmental Reporting Guidelines (2013) and emissions factors have been sourced from the Defra 2013 UK Government Conversion Factors for Company Reporting. The figures presented include all material Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions from all assets under Xplorer plc's operational control.

Reporting period	Scope 1 emissions tCO₂e	Scope 2 emissions tCO <sub>2</sub> e	Total carbon footprint tCO₂e	Intensity metric tCO₂e/FTE
2013/14	0	5.89	5.89	0.28

# **Directors' Report (continued)**

#### **Dividends**

The Directors do not propose a dividend in respect of the year ended 31 March 2014 (2013: nil).

#### **Going Concern**

The Group's business activities, together with facts likely to affect its future operations, financial and liquidity, position are set out in the Chairman's Statement, Operational Review, Financial Review and Strategic Review of this report. In addition, note 2 i) to the financial statements discloses the Group's financial risk management policy and note 2 b) details out further considerations made by the Director in respect of going concern.

The Directors having made due and careful enquiry, are of the opinion that the Group has adequate working capital to execute its operations over the next 12 months. The Directors therefore have made an informed judgment, at the time of approving financial statements, that there is a reasonable expectation that the Group has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. As a result, the Directors have adopted the going concern basis of accounting is in the preparation of the annual financial statements.

#### Auditors

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The auditors, Crowe Clark Whitehill LLP, have expressed their willingness to continue in office and a resolution to reappoint them will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

#### Statement of Directors' responsibilities

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

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union.

Under Company law the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the Company for that year. The Directors are also required to prepare financial statements in accordance with the rules of the London Stock Exchange for companies with a Standard Listing.

In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject
- to any material departures disclosed and explained in the 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.

# **Directors' Report (continued)**

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

The maintenance and integrity of the Xplorer Plc website is the responsibility of the Directors; work carried out by the auditors does not involve the consideration of these matters and, accordingly, the auditors accept no responsibility for any changes that may have occurred in the accounts since they were initially presented on the website.

Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of the accounts and the other information included in annual reports may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

#### Directors' responsibility statement pursuant to disclosure and Transparency Rule 4.1.12

The Directors confirm that, to the best of their knowledge:

- the financial statements, which are prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union, give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Company; and
- the Annual Report and statement of accounts includes a fair review of the development and performance of the business and the position of the Company, together with a description of the principal risks and uncertainties that they face.

#### Statement as to Disclosure of Information to Auditors

So far as the Directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006) of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and each Director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a Director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

Approved by the Board on 31 July 2014

Signed ...

John Roddison FCA Non-Executive Director

#### **Strategic Report**

The Directors present the Strategic Report of Xplorer PLC for the year ended 31 March 2014.

#### **Principal Activities**

The Company was formed for the purpose of acquiring a company, business or asset that has operations in the oil and gas exploration and production sector that it is looking to develop and expand.

#### Review of Business in the Year

Further details of the Company's business and expected future development are also set out in the Chairman's Statement and in the Operational and Financial Reviews on pages 2 to 4.

#### **Key Performance Indicators**

At this stage in its development, the Company is focusing on the evaluation of various oil and gas opportunities. As and when the Company executes its first substantial acquisition, financial, operational, health and safety and environmental KPIs will become relevant and will be measured and reported as appropriate. As such the only KPI the Company monitors is whether it can successfully identify and secure an investment opportunity.

#### Position of Company's Business at the Year End

The future plans of the company

The company has invested money raised from share issues during the year in researching potential projects in areas that could perform operations in the oil and gas sector.

At the year end

At the year end the company's Statement of Financial Position shows assets totaling £769,058 (2013 – £210,130) – an increase of £558,928. The company therefore is in a strong position to move forward and develop its potential projects.

#### Environmental matters

Owing to the nature of the business being potential exploration/operations in the oil and gas sector this will have environmental concerns and implications. The Board contains personnel with extensive history in this area who are fully experienced in dealing with these matters and how to comply with the laws and regulations. The Company may need to obtain waivers or permits to commence or carry on activities in projects in which the Company has invested.

# Employee information

Apart from the Executive Chairman and Non-executive Directors there are no employees currently in the Company.

# Strategic Report (continued)

Social/Community/Human rights matters

Owing to the nature of the business being in the oil and gas sector this may have social and community implications, particularly in the areas of operations, of which the Board will fully take into consideration and comply with any necessary local requirements, and obtain necessary authorisation and permits as required.

The Company operates a gender diverse business with one woman on the Board, and would ensure any future employment took into account the necessary diversity requirements and compliance with all employment law. The Board has experience in dealing with such issues and sufficient training/qualifications to ensure they would meet all requirements.

# Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The Company operates in an uncertain environment and is subject to a number of risk factors. The Directors consider the following risk factors are of particular relevance to the Company's activities and to any investment in the Company. It should be noted that the list is not exhaustive and that other risk factors not presently known or currently deemed immaterial may apply.

The risk factors are summarised below:

# Risks relating to the Company's business strategy

The Company will be dependent on the ability of the Directors to identify suitable investment opportunities and to implement the Company's strategy. There is no assurance that the Company's activities will be successful in acquiring a suitable investment that will ultimately be developed.

#### Environmental and other regulatory requirements

Conducting exploration, development of oil and gas activities has or will involve the requirement to comply with various procedures and approval formalities. It may not be possible to comply or obtain waivers of all such formalities. The Company may need to obtain waivers or permits to commence or carry on activities in projects in which the Company has invested. In certain cases where it is not possible for the Company to comply, or it cannot obtain a waiver, it may incur a temporary or permanent disruption to its activities and a loss of part of its interest in a lease or licence. In the event of a breach with any environmental or regulatory requirements this may give rise to reputational, financial or other sanctions against the company, and therefore the board considers these risks seriously and designs, maintains and reviews its policies and processes so as to mitigate or avoid these risks.

# Financing

The development of the Company's properties may depend upon the Company's ability to obtain financing primarily through the raising of new equity capital, or through bringing in partners to assist funding exploration and development costs. The Company's ability to raise further funds maybe be affected by the success of existing and acquired investments. The Company may not be successful in procuring the requisite funds on terms which are acceptable to it (or at all) and, if such funding is unavailable, the Company may be required to reduce the scope of its investments or the anticipated expansion. Further, Shareholders' holdings of Ordinary Shares may be materially diluted if debt financing is not available.

# **Strategic Report (continued)**

# **Market Conditions**

Market conditions, including general economic conditions and their effect on exchange rates, interest rates and inflations rates, may impact the ultimate value of the company regardless of its operating performance. The company also faces competition from other organisations, some of which may have greater resources or be more established in a particular territory. The board considers and reviews all market conditions to try and mitigate any risks that may arise from these.

Approved by the Board on 31 July 2014

Signed .

John Roddison FCA Non-Executive Director

# **Governance Report**

#### Introduction

The Company recognises the importance of, and is committed to, high standards of Corporate Governance and the following sections explain how the Company has applied the main and supporting principles set out in the UK Code of Corporate Governance published in 2012 ("the Code").

The Company is a small company with a modest resource base. The Company has a clear mandate to optimise the allocation of limited resources to support its development plans. As such, the Company strives to maintain a balance between conservation of limited resources and maintaining robust corporate governance practices. As the Company evolves, the Board is committed to enhancing the Company's corporate governance policies and practices deemed appropriate for the size and maturity of the organisation.

Set out below are Xplorer's corporate governance practices for the year ended 31 March 2014.

# Leadership

The Company is headed by an effective Board which is collectively responsible for the long-term success of the Company.

The role of the Board - The Board sets the Company's strategy, ensuring that the necessary resources are in place to achieve the agreed strategic priorities, and reviews management and financial performance. It is accountable to shareholders for the creation and delivery of strong, sustainable financial performance and long-term shareholder value. To achieve this, the Board directs and monitors the Company's affairs within a framework of controls which enable risk to be assessed and managed effectively. The Board also has responsibility for setting the Company's core values and standards of business conduct and for ensuring that these, together with the Company's obligations to its stakeholders, are widely understood throughout the Company. The Board has a formal schedule of matters reserved which is provided later in this report.

Board Meetings - The core activities of the Board are carried out in scheduled meetings of the Board and its Committees. These meetings are timed to link to key events in the Company's corporate calendar and regular reviews of the business are conducted. Additional meetings and conference calls are arranged to consider matters which require decisions outside the scheduled meetings. During 2014, the Board met on 3 occasions.

Outside the scheduled meetings of the Board, the Directors maintain frequent contact with each other to discuss any issues of concern they may have relating to the Company or their areas of responsibility, and to keep them fully briefed on the Company's operations.

Matters reserved specifically for Board - The Board has a formal schedule of matters reserved that can only be decided by the Board. The key matters reserved are the consideration and approval of;

- The Company's overall strategy;
- Financial statements and dividend policy;
- Management structure including succession planning, appointments and remuneration (supported by the Nomination Committee);

- Material acquisitions and disposal, material contracts, major capital expenditure projects and budgets;
- Capital structure, debt and equity financing and other matters;
- Risk management and internal controls (supported by the Audit Committee);
- The Company's corporate governance and compliance arrangements;
- · Corporate policies;

Certain other matters are delegated to the Board committees, namely the Audit, Remuneration and Nominations Committees.

Summary of the Board's work in the year – During 2014, the Board considered all relevant matters within its remit, but focused in particular on the establishment of the company and the standard listing on the London Stock Exchange, which it achieved and gained a listing on the 11 July 2013.

# Attendance at meetings;

Member	Meetings attended
John Davies	3
Jacqueline Lim	3
Christopher McAuliffe	3
John Roddison FCA	3

The Board is pleased with the high level of attendance and participation of Directors at Board and committee meetings.

The Chairman sets the Board Agenda and ensures adequate time for discussion. On appointment and for the year in question, John Davies met the independence criteria set out in the UK Code of Corporate Governance. On appointment on 30 April 2014, the new executive chairman Roger Tucker also met this independence criteria.

Non-executive Directors - The non-executive Directors bring a broad range of business and commercial experience to the Company and have a particular responsibility to challenge independently and constructively the performance of the Executive management (where appointed) and to monitor the performance of the management team in the delivery of the agreed objectives and targets.

As Senior Independent non-executive Director, John Roddison is available to meet shareholders if they have concerns that cannot be resolved through discussion with the Chairman, Chief Executive Officer or for which such contact is inappropriate.

Non-executive Directors are initially appointed for a term of three years, which may, subject to satisfactory performance and re-election by shareholders, be extended by mutual agreement.

#### **Delegations of authority**

Board Committees - The Board has delegated matters to two committees namely Audit, and Remuneration Committees. The memberships, roles and activities of these committees are detailed in separate reports: the Audit Committee on pages 25, the Nomination Committee on page 21, the Remuneration Committee on pages 20 to 24. Each committee reports to the

Board and the issues considered at meetings of the committees are provided by the respective committee chairmen. The terms of reference of each committee is to be reviewed by the Board every other year.

Other governance matters - All of the Directors are aware that independent professional advice is available to each Director in order to properly discharge their duties as a Director. In addition, each Director and Board committee has access to the advice of the Company Secretary.

The Company Secretary - The Company Secretary is John Roddison who is retained on a consultancy basis. He is available to Directors and responsible for the Board complying with UK procedures.

#### **Effectiveness**

For the year under review the Board comprised of a non-executive Chairman and three independent non-executive Directors. Following the appointment of Roger Tucker, the board will consist of an Executive Chairman and four independent non-executive Directors. Biographical details of the Board members are set out on page 7 of this report.

The Directors are of the view that the Board and its committees consist of Directors with an appropriate balance of skills, experience, independence and diverse backgrounds to enable them to discharge their duties and responsibilities effectively

Independence - The non-executive Directors bring a broad range of business and commercial experience to the Company. The Board considers each of the non-executive Directors to be independent in character and judgement.

Appointments – the Nomination Committee is responsible for reviewing and the structure, size and composition of the Board and making recommendations to the board with regards to any required changes.

Commitments – All Directors have disclosed any significant commitments to the Board and confirmed that they have sufficient time to discharge their duties.

Induction - All new Directors received an induction as soon as practical on joining the Board.

Conflict of interest - A Director has a duty to avoid a situation in which he or she has, or can have, a direct or indirect interest that conflicts, or possibly may conflict with the interests of the Company. The Board had satisfied itself that there is no compromise to the independence of those Directors who have appointments on the Boards of, or relationships with, companies outside the Company. The Board requires Directors to declare all appointments and other situations which could result in a possible conflict of interest.

Board performance and evaluation - Xplorer has a policy of appraising Board performance annually, Having reviewed various approaches to Board appraisal, Xplorer has concluded that for a company of its current scale, an internal process in which all Board members submit answers to a questionnaire that considers the functionality of the Board and its committees is most appropriate at this stage.

# **Accountability**

The Board is committed to providing shareholders with a clear assessment of the Company's position and prospects. This is achieved through this report and as required other periodic financial and trading statements. The Board has made appropriate arrangements for the application of risk management and internal control principles and these are detailed on page 38. The Board has delegated to the

Audit committee oversight of the relationship with the Company's auditors as outlined in the Audit committee report on pages 25.

Going concern - The Company's business activities, together with factors likely to affect its future operations, financial position, and liquidity position are set out in the Chairman's Statement, Operational Review and the Risks and Uncertainties section of the Annual Report. In addition, note 14 to the consolidated financial statements discloses the Company's financial risk management practices with respect to its capital structure, liquidity risk, interest rate risk, credit risk, and other related matters.

The Directors, having made due and careful enquiry, are of the opinion that the Company has adequate working capital to execute its operations and has the ability to access additional financing, if required, over the next 12 months. The Directors, therefore, have made an informed judgement, at the time of approving financial statements, that there is a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. As a result, the Directors have continued to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements in accordance with Going Concern and Liquidity Risk: Guidance for Directors of UK Companies 2009.

Internal controls - The Board of Directors reviews the effectiveness of the Company's system of internal controls in line with the requirement of the Code. The internal control system is designed to manage the risk of failure to achieve its business objectives. This covers internal financial and operational controls, compliances and risk management. The Company has necessary procedures in place for the year under review and up to the date of approval of the Annual Report and Accounts. The Directors acknowledge their responsibility for the Company's system of internal controls and for reviewing its effectiveness. The Board confirms the need for an ongoing process for identification, evaluation and management of significant risks faced by the Company. A risk assessment for each project is carried out by the Directors before making any commitments

The Audit Committee, once established, will regularly review and report to the Board on the effectiveness of the system of internal control. Given the size of the Company and the relative simplicity of the systems, the Board considers that there is no current requirement for an internal audit function. The procedures that have been established to provide internal financial control are considered appropriate for a company of its size and include controls over expenditure, regular reconciliations and management accounts.

The Directors are responsible for taking such steps as are reasonably available to them to safeguard the assets of the Company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

#### Remuneration

The Board has delegated to the Remuneration Committee responsibility for agreeing the remuneration policy for senior executives. The Directors' remuneration report on pages 20 to 24 contains full details of the role and activities of the Remuneration Committee.

#### Nomination

Currently due to the size of the Company there is no Nomination Committee. This will be established following the acquisition and its current intended role and aims are detailed below. John Roddison and John Davies are expected to form the Committee with John Roddison being the Chairman.

#### Committee's Role

The Nomination Committee will review the composition and balance of the Board and senior management on a regular basis to ensure that the Board and senior management have the right structure, skills and experience in place for the effective management of the Company's business and is expected to meet 4 times a year.

#### Main responsibilities

The main duties of the Nomination Committee are expected to be;

- Review the structure, size and composition of the Board and make recommendations to the Board with regard to any changes;
- Succession planning for Directors and other senior executives;
- Identifying and nominating, for Board approval, candidates to fill Board vacancies as and when required;
- Revièwing annually the time commitment required of non-executive directors; and
- Making recommendations to the Board regarding membership of the Audit and Remuneration Committee in consultation with the Chairman of each Committee.

#### Shareholder relations

Communication and dialogue – Open and transparent communication with shareholders is given high priority and there is regular dialogue with institutional investors, as well as general presentations made at the time of the release of the annual and interim results. All Directors are kept aware of changes in major shareholders in the Company and are available to meet with shareholders who have specific interests or concerns. The Company issues its results promptly to individual shareholders and also publishes them on the Company's website: www.xplorerplc.co.uk. Regular updates to record news in relation to the Company and the status of its exploration and development programmes are included on the Company's website. Shareholders and other interested parties can subscribe to receive these news updates by email by registering online on the website free of charge.

The Directors are available to meet with institutional shareholders to discuss any issues and gain an understanding of the Company's business, its strategies and governance. Meetings are also held with the corporate governance representatives of institutional investors when requested.

Annual General Meeting - At every AGM individual shareholders are given the opportunity to put questions to the Chairman and to other members of the Board that may be present. Notice of the AGM is sent to shareholders at least 20 working days before the meeting. Details of proxy votes for and against each resolution, together with the votes withheld are announced to the London Stock Exchange and are published on the Company's website as soon as practical after the meeting.

Roger Tucker Chairman 31 July 2014

### **Remuneration Committee Report**

#### The Remuneration Committee

The Company's Remuneration Committee comprises of 2 non-executive Directors: John Roddison (Chairman), and John Davies and it met twice during the year to 31 March 2014.

Xplorer's Remuneration Committee operates within the terms of reference approved by the Board. The Remuneration Committee follows current ISCA guidelines and the UK Corporate Governance Code.

The items included in this report are unaudited unless otherwise stated.

# Committee's main responsibilities

- The Remuneration Committee will consider the remuneration policy, employment terms and remuneration of the Directors and review the remuneration of senior management;
- The Remuneration Committee's role is advisory in nature and it will make recommendations to the Board on the overall remuneration packages for Directors and senior management in order to attract, retain and motivate high quality executives capable of achieving the Company's objectives;
- The Remuneration Committee will also review proposals for any share option plans and other incentive plans, make recommendations for the grant of awards under such plans as well as approving the terms of any performance-related pay schemes;
- The Board's policy is to remunerate the Company's executives fairly and in such a manner as to facilitate the recruitment, retention and motivation of suitably qualified personnel; and
- The Remuneration Committee, when considering the remuneration packages of Xplorer's executives, will review the policies of comparable Companies in the industry.

#### **Committee advisors**

The Company will consult with the Company's major investors and investor representative Companies as appropriate. No Director takes part in any decision directly affecting their remuneration. No remuneration advisors were retained by the Remuneration Committee during the year,

# Statement of Xplorer's policy on Directors' remuneration

The Company's policy is to maintain levels of remuneration so as to attract, motivate, and retain Directors and senior executives of the highest calibre who can contribute their experience to deliver industry leading performance with the Company's operations. The remuneration package for Executive Directors comprises of a base salary and share incentive arrangements. The remuneration package for non-executive Directors comprises of a base salary only.

A meaningful proportion of executive and senior managements' remuneration is structured so as to link rewards to corporate and individual performance, align their interests with those of shareholders and to incentivise them to perform at the highest levels. The Remuneration

Committee considers remuneration policy and the employment terms and remuneration of the Directors and makes recommendations to the Board of Directors on the overall remuneration packages for the Directors.

# **Remuneration Components**

For the year ended 31 March 2014 base salaries were the sole component of remuneration. The board will consider the components of Director remuneration during the year and following this review these are likely to consist of:

- Base salaries
- Pension and other benefits
- Annual bonus
- Share Incentive arrangements

It should be noted that upon his appointment on 30 April, the Executive Chairman remuneration consists of a base salary and a share incentive payment.

# Service Agreements and Letters of Appointment

All of the service contracts with Directors are on an evergreen basis, subject to termination provisions. The Company may in lieu of notice terminate a Directors employment with immediate effect by making a payment which does not exceed a lump sum equal to basic salary and other benefits at the rate prevailing at the date of termination for a period which does not exceed 12 months. As a matter of Company policy, no bonuses shall accrue as a result of lapse of time in the event of termination. The appointment of Directors is subject to termination upon at least three months' notice.

The Directors who held office at 31 March 2014 and who had beneficial interests in the Ordinary Shares of the Company are summarised as follows:

Name of Director John Roddison Christopher McAuliffe Jacqueline Lim John Davies **Position** 

Non-executive director Non-executive director Non-executive director Non-executive director

Details of these beneficial interests can be found in the Directors' Report on page 7.

# Terms of appointment

The services of the Directors, provided under the terms of agreement with the Company dated as follows:

Director	Year of appointment	Number of years completed	Date of current engagement letter
Roger Tucker	2014	-	30/04/2014
Jacqueline Lim	2012	2	27/06/2013
Christopher McAuliffe	2012	2	27/06/2013
John Roddison FCA	2012	2	27/06/2013
John Davies	2012	1	27/06/2013

#### Consideration of shareholder views

The Remuneration committee considers shareholder feedback received and guidance from shareholder bodies. This feedback, plus any additional feedback received from time to time, is considered as part of the Company's annual policy on remuneration.

#### Policy for new appointments

Base salary levels will take into account market data for the relevant role, internal relativities, their individual's experience and their current base salary. Where an individual is recruited at below market norms, they may be re-aligned over time (e.g. two to three years), subject to performance in the role. Benefits will generally be in accordance with the approved policy.

For external and internal appointments, the Committee may agree that the company will meet certain relocation and/or incidental expenses as appropriate.

# Long term incentive schemes (Unapproved share option scheme)

On appointment post year end, the Executive Chairman was awarded options of 1.5% of the enlarged share capital of Xplorer following the completion of a successful reverse takeover ("RTO"). The options vest between the date of the successful RTO and its third anniversary.

# Directors' emoluments and compensation (audited)

Set out below are the emoluments of the Directors for the year ended 31 March 2014 (GBP):

Name of Director	Short term employee benefits	Post employment benefits	Other long term benefits	Termination benefits	Other	Total
John Roddison**	24,000	-	-	-	-	24,000
Christopher McAuliffe*	134,000	-	•	•	-	134,000
Jacquelinė Lim*	134,000	-	-	-	-	134,000
John Davies ***	27,000	-	-	-	•	27,000

- \* Invoiced by Sprint Capital Management Limited, a company jointly controlled by Christopher McAuliffe and Jacqueline Lim.
- \*\* Invoiced by Brown McLeod Limited, a company in which John Roddison is a director and shareholder.
- \*\*\* Invoiced by Davenport Capital Limited, a company in which John Davies is a director and shareholder.

Set out below are the emoluments of the Directors for the year ended 31 March 2013 (GBP) (audited):

Name of Director	Short term employee benefits	Post employment benefits	Other long term benefits	Termination benefits	Other	Total
John Roddison**	16,000	-	-	-	-	16,000
Christopher McAuliffe*	16,000	-	-	-	-	16,000
Jacqueline Lim*	16,000	-	-	•	_	16,000

- \* Invoiced by Sprint Capital Management Limited, a company jointly controlled by Christopher McAuliffe and Jacqueline Lim.
- \*\* Invoiced by Brown McLeod Limited, a company in which John Roddison is a Director and shareholder.

None of the remuneration paid was subject to performance conditions.

#### Other matters

The Company does not currently have any annual or long-term incentive schemes in place for any of the Directors and as such there are no disclosures in this respect.

The Company does not have any pension plans for any of the Directors and does not pay pension amounts in relation to their remuneration.

The Company has not paid out any excess retirement benefits to any Directors or past Directors.

The Company has not paid any compensation to past Directors.

The performance of the Remuneration Committee has yet to be assessed given the short time frame that it has been operational. Its performance will be assessed and its structure reviewed upon the completion of a successful acquisition.

As the Company currently has no trade and has been listed for less than one year, no performance graph and table has been included but will be included in future accounting periods.

The Company is currently in its infancy and exploring options in order to achieve its long term objectives. As such Directors pay represents 35% of total spend.

No information has been included in respect of the Executive Directors remuneration as he was appointed after 31 March 2014.

The increase in salaries from the prior period is as a result of the listing and the work undertaken by the Directors in relation to potential transactions.

Approved on behalf of the Board of Directors.

John Roddison FCA

Chairman of the Remuneration Committee

31 July 2014

# **Report from the Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee was established during the year and comprises of two Non-Executive Directors and oversees the Company's financial reporting and internal controls, and provides a formal reporting link with the external auditors. The ultimate responsibility for reviewing and approving the Annual Report and Accounts and the half-yearly reports remains with the Board.

#### Main Responsibilities

The Audit Committee acts as a preparatory body for discharging the Board's responsibilities in a wide range of financial matters by:

- Monitoring the integrity of the financial statements and formal announcements relating to the Company's financial performance;
- Reviewing significant financial reporting issues and accounting policies and disclosures in financial reports;
- Overseeing that an effective system of internal control and risk management systems are maintained;
- Ensuring that an effective whistle-blowing, anti-fraud and bribery procedures are in place;
- Considering the Company's internal audit requirements and make recommendations to the Board:
- Overseeing the Board's relationship with the external auditors and, where appropriate, the selection of new external auditors;
- Approving non-audit services provided by the external auditors, or any other accounting firm, ensuring the independence and objectivity of the external auditors is safeguarded when appointing them to conduct non-audit services;
- Ensuring compliance with legal requirements, accounting standards and the Listing Rules and the Disclosure and Transparency Rules.

# Governance

The Code requires that at least one member of the Audit Committee has recent and relevant financial experience. John Roddison, who was appointed as Chairman of the Audit Committee has been a Chartered Accountant for 36 years and has over 5 years of oil and gas sector experience. As a result the Board is satisfied that the Audit Committee has recent and relevant financial experience.

Members of the Audit Committee are appointed by the Board and all of its members are considered to be Independent.

The Company's external auditors are Crowe Clark Whitehill LLP and the Audit Committee will closely monitor the level of audit and non-audit services they provide to the Company. In the year ended 31 March 2014 Crowe Clark Whitehill LLP did not provide non-audit services to the Company.

# Report from the Audit Committee (continued)

#### Meetings

In 2014, the Audit Committee met on 3 occasions.

The key work undertaken by the Audit Committee is as follows;

- · Consideration and review of full-year and half-yearly results;
- Audit planning and update on relevant accounting developments:
- Consideration and approval of the risk management framework, appropriateness of key performance indicators;
- · Review of the Company's Code of Business Conduct;
- Review the Audit Committee terms of reference;
- · Review of the effectiveness of the Audit Committee; and
- Internal controls.

The Code states that the Audit Committee should have primary responsibility for making a recommendation on the appointment, reappointment or removal of the external auditors. As such a review of external audit effectiveness will take place annually.

#### External auditor

The Company's external auditors are Crowe Clark Whitehill LLP. The external auditors have unrestricted access to the Audit Committee Chairman. The Committee is satisfied that Crowe Clark Whitehill LLP has adequate policies and safeguards in place to ensure that auditor objectivity and independence are maintained. The external auditors report to the Audit Committee annually on their independence from the Company. In accordance with professional standards, the partner responsible for the audit is changed every five years. The current auditors, Crowe Clark Whitehill LLP were first appointed by the Company in 2013 and therefore the current partner is due to rotate off the engagement after completing the March 2017 audit. Having assessed the performance objectivity and independence of the Auditors, the Committee will be recommending the reappointment of Crowe Clark Whitehill LLP as auditors to the company at the 2014 annual general meeting.

John Roddison FCA

Chairman of the Audit Committee

# Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Xplorer plc

#### **Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2014 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the European Union; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

# Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion:

- the part of the Directors' Remuneration Report to be audited has been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006; and
- the information given in the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

#### Basis for opinions

We have audited the financial statements of Xplorer plc for the year ended 31 March 2014 which comprise the Statement of Financial Position, the Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Cash Flow Statement, the Statement of Changes in Equity and the related notes numbered 1 to 22.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the European Union.

# Going concern

As required by the Listing Rules, we have reviewed the Director's statement on page 9 that the Company is a going concern.

We confirm that:

- We have not identified material uncertainties related to events of conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern which we believe would need to be disclosed in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the European Union; and
- We have concluded that the Director's use of the going concern basis of accounting for the preparation of the financial statements to be appropriate.

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this statement is not a guarantee as to the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

#### Our assessment of risks of material misstatement

We identified the following risks that we believe to have had the greatest impact on our audit strategy and scope:

- Going concern The Company has no revenues and limited cash resources to finance its
  activities whilst it identifies and completes suitable acquisition opportunities. At 31 March
  2014 it had not announced any such acquisitions. There is a risk that the company may
  be unable to secure suitable acquisition opportunities or to make a suitable acquisition or
  will have insufficient funds to secure a suitable acquisition.
- Share capital The Company has issued equity shares in the year, being the most significant transaction in the year, and there is a risk that the accounting and disclosure of this transaction may be misstated, including entries made to the share premium account.

#### Our application of materiality

We apply the concept of materiality both in planning and performing our audit, and in evaluating the effect of misstatements on our audit and on the financial statements. For the purposes of determining whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement we define materiality as the magnitude of misstatement that makes it probable that the economic decisions of a reasonably knowledgeable person, relying on the financial statements, would be changed or influenced. We also determine a level of performance materiality which we use to determine the extent of testing needed to reduce to an appropriately low level the probability that the aggregate of uncorrected and undetected misstatements exceeds materiality for the financial statements as a whole. When establishing our overall audit strategy, we determined a magnitude of uncorrected misstatements that we judged would be material for the financial statements as a whole. We determined planning materiality for the company to be £36,000, which is approximately 5% of adjusted pre-tax loss. Our objective in adopting this approach is to ensure that total detected and undetected audit differences do not exceed our planning materiality of £36,000 for the financial statements as whole. We agreed with the Audit and Risk Committee that we would report to the Committee all audit differences in excess of £1,800, as well as differences below that threshold that, in our view, warranted reporting.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 1/6 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.

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

#### The Scope of our audit

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Our audit scope focused on the financial statements of the company and identified the material balances on the statement of financial position at 31 March 2014. These balances were subject to a full scope audit.

Xplorer plc is a single entity investing company that is in the process of identifying acquisition opportunities. The Company raised finance in the year through the issuance of its equity instruments and this is the most significant transaction in the year and therefore our audit focussed on the accounting entries for this.

The way in which we scoped our response to the significant risks identified above are as follows: !

- Going Concern We reviewed cash flow projections for the company for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements and reviewed potential acquisition opportunities with the directors. We applied sensitivity analysis to the cash flow projections to identify potential short falls in funding in the event of scenarios involving a failure to identify and execute a suitable transaction and steps which the Directors are able to mitigate the impact of such scenarios and/or to defer or curtail discretionary expenditures should circumstances require such action.
- Share Capital We reviewed documentation detailing the share issue and reviewed the
  accounting entries made, including those to the share premium account, to ensure that
  they were in line with applicable accounting standards.

# Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following:

Under the International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland), we are required to report to you if, in our opinion, information in the annual report is:

- materially inconsistent with the information in the audited financial statements; or
- apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, our knowledge of the company acquired in the course of performing our audit; or
- is otherwise misleading.

In particular, we are required to consider whether we have identified any inconsistencies between our knowledge acquired during the audit and the directors' statement that they consider the annual report is fair, balanced and understandable, and whether the annual report appropriately discloses those matters that we communicated to the audit committee which we consider should have been disclosed.

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

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

Under the Listing Rules we are required to review:

- the directors' statement, set out on page 7, in relation to going concern; and
- the part of the Corporate Governance Statement relating to the company's compliance with the nine provisions of the UK Corporate Governance Code specified for our review;
   and
- certain elements of the report to the shareholders by the Board on directors' remuneration.

# Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

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.

Stephen Bullock

Senior Statutory Auditor For and on behalf of

**Crowe Clark Whitehill LLP** 

Statutory Auditor

London

31 July 2014

# **Statement of Comprehensive Income**

for the year from 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014

Continuing operations	Note	Year ended 31 March 2014 £	Period ended 31 March 2013 £
Revenue		-	. <b>-</b>
Administrative expenses		(1,025,454)	(90,483)
Operating loss		(1,025,454)	(90,483)
Interest payable and similar charges	-	(556)	<u> </u>
Loss before taxation	3	(1,026,010)	(90,483)
Taxation	4	-	_
Loss for the year		(1,026,010)	(90,483)
Other comprehensive loss for the year Total comprehensive loss for the	-	<u>-</u>	<del>-</del>
year attributable to the equity owners	=	(1,026,010)	(90,483)
Earnings/(loss) per share			
Basic and diluted (£ per share)	5	(0.11)	(0.07)

The note's to the financial statements form an integral part of these financial statements

# **Statement of Financial Position**

as at 31 March 2014

1	Note	As at 31 March 2014 £	As at 31 March 2013 £
Assets	Note	~	~
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	6	517	•
Current assets			
Trade and other receivables  Cash and cash equivalents	7 8	546,773 221,768	210,030 100
Cash and Cash equivalents	0	221,700	100
Total current assets	_	768,541	210,130
Total assets		769,058	210,130
Equity and liabilities Capital and reserves Called up share capital	9	83,627	75,002
Share Premium Retained earnings	10	1,358,692	(00.493)
Retained earnings		(1,116,493)	(90,483)
Total equity		325,826	(15,481)
Liabilities Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	11	443,232	52,598
Convertible loan notes	19	-	100,000
Cash and cash equivalents	8	-	73,013
Total liabilities		443,232	225,611
Total equity and liabilities		769,058	210,130

The notes to the financial statements form an integral part of these financial statements

This report was approved by the board and authorised for issue on 31 July 2014 and signed on its behalf by;

John Roddison FCA
Non-Executive Director

Company Registration Number: 07987393

# **Statement of Changes In Equity**

for the year from 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014

CURRENT YEAR	Called up share capital £	Share Premium £	Retained earnings £	Total £
Brought forward at 1 April 2013 Loss in year	75,002 -	<del>-</del> -	(90,483) (1,026,010)	(15,481) (1,026,010)
Total comprehensive income for the year Issue of share capital net of share			(1,026,010)	(1,026,010)
issue costs	8,625	1,358,692	-	1,367,317
As at 31 March 2014	83,627	1,358,692	(1,116,493)	325,826
i i	Called up			
PRIOR PERIOD	share capital £	Share Premium £	Retained earnings £	Total £
On Incorporation	share capital	Premium	earnings	
	share capital £	Premium	earnings	£
On Incorporation	share capital £	Premium	earnings £	£ 2
On Incorporation Loss in year Total comprehensive income for	share capital £	Premium	earnings £ - (90,483)	£ 2 (90,483)

Share capital comprises the ordinary and deferred issued share capital of the Company.

Retained earnings represent the aggregate retained earnings of the Company.

The notes to the financial statements form an integral part of these financial statements

# **Statement of Cash Flows**

for the year from 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014

i i		Year ended 31 March 2014	Period ended 31 March 2013
	Note	£	£
Cash flow from operating activities			
Operating loss		(1,025,454)	(88,437)
Finance costs paid		-	(945)
Depreciation charges		173	` <u>-</u>
Changes in working capital		•	
Increase/(decrease) in trade and other receivables		180,757	(210,030)
Increase in trade and other payables		425,732	52,598
Net cash used in operating activities		(418,792)	(246,814)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from issuance of shares net of issue costs		749,817	75,002
Convertible loan notes		-	100,000
Amount repaid to directors		(35,098)	
Net cash generated from financing activities		714,719	175,002
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property plant and equipment		(690)	-
Interest paid		(556)	(1,101)
Net cash used in investing activities		(1,246)	(1,101)
•			
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		294,681	(72,913)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		(72,913)	-
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	8	221,768	(72,913)

The notes to the financial statements form an integral part of these financial statements

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

#### 1. General Information

The Company was incorporated in England and Wales on 12 March 2012 as a public limited company. The Company did not trade during the financial year ended 31 March 2014, however certain fees in relation to its listing on the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange were incurred, along with consultancy and legal fees as well as general administration expenses.

The Company's registered office is located at 24 Hanover Square, London, W1S 1JD.

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Board has reviewed the accounting policies set out below and considers them to be the most appropriate to the Company's business activities.

#### a) Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as adopted for use by the European Union, and effective, or issued and early adopted, as at the date of these statements. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified for financial assets carried at fair value.

As at the date of approval of these financial statements, the following standards and interpretations, were in issue but not yet effective:

- Novation of Derivatives and Continuation of Hedge Accounting (Amendments to IAS 39 - June 2013)
- Investment Entities (Amendments to IFRS 10, IFRS 12 and IAS 27 October 2012)
- IAS 36 Amendments Recoverable Amount Disclosures for non-financial assets (May 2013)
- IFRIC 21 Levies (May 2013)

IFRS Standard and Interpretations issued by IASB but not yet EU approved are;

- IFRS 9 Financial Instruments (November 2009)
- IAS 19 Amendment Defined Benefit Plans: Employee Contributions (November 2013)
- IFRS 14 Regulatory Deferral Accounts (January 2014)
- IAS 16 and IAS 38 Amendments: Clarification of Acceptable Methods of Depreciation and Amortisation (May 2014)
- IFRS 11 Amendments to Accounting for Acquisitions of Interests in Joint Operations (May 2014)
- IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers (May 2014)

Numerous other minor amendments to standards have been made as a result of the IASB's annual improvement project.

The Directors do not anticipate that the adoption of these standards and interpretations will have a material impact on the Financial Statements.

#### b) Significant accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

The preparation of the financial Statements in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the year end date and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reported period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

The principal areas in which judgement is applied are as follows:

#### Going Concern

The preparation of financial statements requires an assessment on the validity of the going concern assumption.

The Directors have reviewed projections for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements as well as potential acquisition opportunities. Any potential short falls in funding have been identified and the steps to which Directors are able to mitigate such scenarios and/or defer or curtail discretionary expenditures should these be required have been considered.

In approving the financial statements, the Board have recognised that these circumstances create a level of uncertainty. However, having made enquiries and considered the uncertainties outlined above, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company has sufficient resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the Board believes it is appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in the preparation of the financial statements.

#### c) | Financial Instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are recognised in the Company's statement of financial position when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. The Company currently does not use derivative financial instruments to manage or hedge financial exposures or liabilities.

#### d) Trade and Other Receivables and Payables

Trade and other receivables and trade and other payables are initially recognised at fair value. Fair value is considered to be the original invoice amount, discounted where material, for short-term receivables and payables. Long term receivables and payables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. Where receivables are denominated in a foreign currency, retranslation is made in accordance with the foreign currency accounting policy previously stated.

## e) De-recognition and Impairment of Financial Assets and Liabilities

#### i. Financial Assets

A financial asset is derecognised where:

- · the right to receive cash flows from the asset has expired;
- the Company retains the right to receive cash flows from the asset, but has assumed an obligation to pay them in full without material delay to a third party under a pass-through arrangement; or
- the Company has transferred the rights to receive cash flows from the asset, and either has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset or has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

#### ii. Financial Liabilities

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expires. Where an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability, and the difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

## f) Reserves

Retained earnings represent the cumulative retained losses of the company at the reporting date.

#### g) | Taxation

#### **Current Tax**

Current tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the tax authorities. The tax rates and the tax laws used to compute the amount are those that are enacted or substantively enacted by the statement of financial position date.

#### **Deferred Tax**

Deferred income tax is recognised on all temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements, with the following exceptions:

- where the temporary difference arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss;
- in respect of taxable temporary differences associated with investment in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures, where the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences can be controlled and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future; and
- deferred income tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, carried forward tax credits or tax losses can be utilised.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are measured on an undiscounted basis at the tax rates that are expected to apply when the related asset is realised or liability is settled, based on tax rates and laws enacted or substantively enacted at the statement of financial position date.

The carrying amount of deferred income tax assets is reviewed at each statement of financial position date. Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are offset, only if a legally enforcement right exists to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities, the deferred income taxes related to the same taxation authority and that authority permits the Company to make a single net payment.

Income tax is charged or credited directly to equity if it relates to items that are credited or charged to equity. Otherwise income tax is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

#### h) Segmental Reporting

For the purpose of IFRS 8 the chief operating decision maker ("CODM") takes the form of the Directors. The Directors are of the opinion that the business comprises of a single economic activity, being the acquisition of businesses or assets in the Natural Resource sector and the currently this activity is undertaken solely in the United Kingdom. All of the income and non-current assets are derived from the United Kingdom. No single customer accounts for more than 10% of income. At meetings of the Directors, income, expenditure, cash flows, assets and liabilities are reviewed on a whole Company basis. Based on the above considerations there is considered to be one reportable segment only namely the acquisition of businesses or asset in the Natural Resources Sector.

Therefore the financial information of the single segment to the same as that set out in the company statement of comprehensive income, company statement of financial position, the company statement of changes to equity and the company statement of cashflows.

#### i) Financial Risk Management Objectives and Policies

The Company does not enter into any forward exchange rate contracts.

The main financial risks arising from the Company's activities are cash flow interest rate risk, liquidity risk, price risk (fair value) and credit risk. The Board reviews and agrees policies for managing each of these risks and they are summarised as:

Cash Flow Interest Rate Risk – the Company's exposure to the risk of changes in market interest rates relates primarily to the Company's overdraft accounts with major banking institutions.

The Company's policy is to manage its interest income, when received, using a mixture of fixed and floating rate deposit accounts.

Liquidity Risk – the Company raises funds as required on the basis of budgeted expenditure and inflows. When funds are sought, the Company balances the costs and benefits of equity and debt financing. When funds are received they are deposited with banks of high standing in order to obtain market interest rates.

**Price Risk** – the carrying amount of the following financial assets and liabilities approximate to their fair value due to their short term nature: cash accounts, accounts receivable and accounts payable.

Credit Risk – with respect to credit risk arising from other financial assets of the Company, which comprise cash and time deposits and accounts receivable, the Company's exposure to credit risk arises from default of the counterparty, with a minimum exposure equal to the carrying amount of these instruments. The credit risk on cash is limited as cash is placed with substantial financial institutions.

#### j) Borrowings

Borrowings are recorded in accordance with IAS 32, which requires the separate recognition of the equity and debt portions of any convertible loans.

# k) Events After the End of the Reporting Year

Post year-end events that provide additional information about the Company's position at the statement of financial position date and are adjusting events are reflected in the financial statements. Post year-end events that are not adjusting events are disclosed in the notes when material.

# I) | Equity

Equity instruments issued by the Company are recorded net at proceeds after direct issue costs.

## m). Going Concern

The Company's business activities and financial position, together with the factors likely to affect its future development, performance and position are set out in the front end of the financial statements.

The Directors have carried out a detailed assessment of going concern as part of the financial reporting process, taking into consideration a number of matters including the listing and share placings which occurred during the year, forecast cash flows, medium and long term business plans and expectations and the deferral or curtailment of discretionary expenditures should these be required.

On the basis of this assessment, the Directors have concluded that it is appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis.

#### 3. Loss before income tax

The loss before income tax is stated after charging:

	Year ended 31 March 2014	Period ended 31 March 2013
•	£	£
Depreciation – owned assets	173	-
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the audit of the company's annual accounts	14,500	17,500
Bank charges	-	945

#### 4. Income tax

# Analysis of charge in the year

	Year ended 31 March 2014 £	Period ended 31 March 2013 £
Current tax:		
UK corporation tax on loss for the year Deferred tax	<u>-</u>	-
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	-	-
Loss on ordinary activities before tax	(1,026,010)	(90,483)
Analysis of charge in the year		
Loss on ordinary activities multiplied by small companies rate of corporation tax in the UK of 20%	(205,202)	(18,097)
Tax losses carried forward	205,202	18,097
Current tax charge	•	•
Effects of:	<u> </u>	
Loss brought forward	(90,483)	-
Loss in year	(1,026,010)	(90,483)
Loss carried forward	(1,116,493)	(90,483)
Current tax charge for the year as above	-	-

The Company has accumulated tax losses arising in the UK of approximately (£984,087) that are available, under current legislation, to be carried forward against future profits.

# 5. Loss per share

The calculation of loss per share is based on the following loss and number of shares:

i	Year ended 31 March 2014 £	Period ended 31 March 2013 £
Loss for the year from continuing operations	(1,026,010)	(90,483)
Weighted average shares in issue: Basic	9,187,225	1,253,857
Diluted	9,187,225	1,253,857
Loss per share		
Basic	(0.11)	(0.07)
Diluted	(0.11)	(0.07)

Basic loss per share is calculated by dividing the loss for the year from continuing operations of the company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year.

There are no potential dilutive shares in issue.

## 6. Fixed Assets

	Year ended 31 March 2014 £	Period ended 31 March 2013 £
Fixtures and Fittings		
1		
Cost brought forward	-	-
Additions	690	-
Cost carried forward	690	-
Depreciation brought forward	-	-
Charge in year	173	-
Depreciation carried forward	173	-
Net Book Value at 31 March 2014	517	<u>-</u>
Net Book Value at 31 March 2013	-	-

Depreciation Policy – assets are depreciated at 25% on a reducing balance basis over their expected useful lives.

#### 7. Trade and other receivables

-	As at 31 March 2014 £	As at 31 March 2013 £
VAT receivable	12,200	10,600
Other receivables	2,025	-
Share & premium proceeds owing	517,500	56,000
Prepayments	15,048	143,430
	546,773	210,030

There are no material differences between the fair value of trade and other receivables and their carrying value at the year end.

The final share allotment which took place during the year occurred just before the year end on 28 March 2014 and therefore the proceeds from this were still outstanding at the year end (£517,500). All of these proceeds were received on 7 April 2014.

No receivables were past due or impaired at the year end.

## 8. Cash and cash equivalents

	As at 31 March 2014	As at 31 March 2013
'	£	£
Bank accounts	221,768	100
Bank overdraft	<u>-</u>	(73,013)
	221,768	(72,913)

#### 9. Called up share capital

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On 11 July 2013 following the company's listing on the London Stock Exchange, 6,250,000 new Ordinary Shares of £0.001 nominal value were issued, fully paid at a premium of £0,16 per share.

Also on 11 July 2013 following the company's listing on the London Stock Exchange, the convertible loan notes of £100,000 were fully converted into 1,250,000 new Ordinary Shares of £0.001 nominal value, fully paid at a premium of £0.08 per share.

On 28 March 2014 a further issue took place of 1,125,000 new Ordinary Shares of £0.001 nominal value, fully paid at a premium of £0.46 per share.

The ordinary shares have attached to them full voting, dividend and capital distribution rights (including on a winding up). The ordinary shares do not confer any rights of redemption.

The deferred shares have attached to them no rights to dividends until the holders of the ordinary shares have received £100,000,000 for each ordinary share held by them. The right to partake in a capital distribution (including on a winding up) once the holders of the ordinary shares have received the sum of £1,000,000 per ordinary share. No right to attend or vote at a general meeting of the company.

#### Summary of Share Capital and Movements during the year

; !	Number of Shares Ordinary Shares	Number of Shares Deferred Shares	Share Capital £
Brought forward at 1 April 2013	3,750,100	75,002	3,750 6,250
New issue 11 July 2013	6,250,000	-	0,230
Conversion of convertible loan notes into	4.050.000		4.050
new shares on 11 July 2013	1,250,000	-	1,250
New issue 28 March 2014	1,125,000	-	1,125
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Totals at 31 March 2014			
Ordinary Shares of £0.001	12,375,100	-	12,375
Deferred Shares of £0.950	-	75,002	71,252

At <sup>1</sup>1 April 2013 there was £56,000 of unpaid share capital owed to the Company. John Roddison owed £28,000 and Christopher McAuliffe and Jacqueline Lim owed £28,000.

They are all Directors of the Company and these amounts have been collected during the year.

The final share issue during the year took place just before the year end on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2014 and therefore the proceeds from this issue of £517,500 were outstanding at the year end.

## 10. Share Premium

## Summary of Share Premium

i : !	Share Premium Paid (net of cost of shares) £	Less share issue costs £	Net Share Premium £
Brought forward at 1 April 2013	-	-	-
New issue 11 July 2013	993,750	(213,208)	780,542
Conversion of convertible loan notes into new shares on 11 July 2013	98,750	-	98,750
New issue 28 March 2014	516,375	(36,975)	479,400
Totals at 31 March 2014	1,608,875	(250,183)	1,358,692

#### 11. Trade and other payables

Current:	As at 31 March 2014 £	As at 31 March 2013 £
Amounts owed to Related Parties	243,609	35,098
Other Creditors	114,749	-
Convertible Loan Notes	· -	100,000
Accruals	84,874	17,500
· !	443,232	152,598

# 12. Related party disclosures

Non-executive Director John Roddison is also a director of Brown McLeod Limited which has provided consulting services to the Company. The total fees charged for the year amounted to £24,000 (2013 - £16,000), all of which was for non-executive Director fees. Brown McLeod also provided accountancy services to Xplorer PLC, for which a total of £18,000 has been paid during the year.

Non-executive Director Christopher McAuliffe is also a director of Sprint Capital Management Limited which has provided consulting services to the Company. The total fees charged for the year amounted to £134,000 (2013 - £16,000), all of which was for non-executive Director fees.

Non-executive Director Jacqueline Lim is also a director of Sprint Capital Management Limited which has provided consulting services to the Company. The total fees charged for the year amounted to £134,000 (2013 - £16,000), all of which was for non-executive Director fees.

Non-executive Director John Davies is also a director of Davenport Capital Limited which has provided consulting services to the Company. The total fees charged for the year amounted to £27,000 (2013 - £0), all of which was for non-executive Director fees.

At the year end the following amounts were outstanding from related parties:

£4,800 included within other creditors was due to Brown McLeod Ltd in relation to accounting fees and directors fees. Xplorer Plc director John Roddison is also a director of Brown McLeod Limited. (2013 - £12,599 re fees outstanding)

£1,493 included within other creditors was due to John Roddison for credit card expenses. (2013 - £0)

£237,316 included within other creditors was due to Sprint Capital Management Limited for unpaid director's fees and travel and accommodation expenses. Xplorer Plc directors Jacqueline Lim and Christopher McAuliffe are also directors of Sprint Capital Management Limited. (2013 - £22,499 re unpaid director's fees and unpaid share capital outstanding)

#### 13. Directors' emoluments

Details concerning Directors' remuneration can be found below. The Directors are considered to be the key management.

     Name of Director	Short term employee benefits	Post employment benefits	Other long term benefits	Termination benefits	Other	Total
John Roddison	24,000	•	-	•	-	24,000
Christopher McAuliffe	134,000	-	-	-	-	134,000
Jacqueline Lim	134,000	-	-	-	•	134,000
John Davies	27,000	•	-	-	•	27,000
Total	319,000	-	-	-	-	319,000

Further information concerning Directors' remuneration can be found in the unaudited Directors' Remuneration report.

#### 14. Financial instruments

As at 31 March 2014, the Company's financial assets comprised £768,541 of cash and trade and other receivables.

The Company's principal financial instruments comprise cash balances, accounts payable and accounts receivable arising in the normal course of its operations.

The financial instruments of the Company at year-end are:

	31 March 2014	31 March 2013
	£	£
Loans and receivables - Cash and cash equivalents	221,768	100
Loans and receivables - Trade and other receivables	546,773	210,030
Financial liabilities	-	100,000
Other financial liabilities – Cash and cash equivalents	-	73,013
Other financial liabilities - Trade and other payables	443,233	52,598

# a) ! Interest rate risk

The Company has floating rate financial assets in the form of deposit accounts with major banking institutions; however, it is not currently subjected to any other interest rate risk.

Based on cash balances at the statement of financial position date, a rise in interest rates of 1% would not have a material impact on the profit and loss of the company.

## b) | Liquidity risk

The Company regularly reviews its major funding positions to ensure that it has adequate financial resources in meeting its financial obligations. The Company takes liquidity risk into consideration when deciding its sources of funds.

#### c) Credit risk

The Company had receivables of £546,773 at 31 March 2014, including £517,500 owing from new issue of Ordinary shares which took place just before the year end (28 March 2014). Company receivables of £546,773 at the year end were not past due, and the Directors consider there to be no credit risk arising from these receivables.

#### d) Capital risk management

The Company defines capital as the total equity of the Company. The Company's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain an optimal capital structure to reduce the cost of capital.

In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may adjust the amount of dividends paid to shareholders, return capital to shareholders, issue new shares or sell assets to reduce debt.

#### e) Fair value of financial assets and liabilities

There are no material differences between the fair value of the Company's financial assets and liabilities and their carrying values in the financial Statements.

#### 15. Borrowings Facilities

The Company had a bank overdraft brought forward of £73,013. The overdraft is secured by the personal guarantee of John Roddison. The overdraft has been completely repaid during the year, with no outstanding overdraft at 31 March 2014.

The Company had brought forward convertible loans of £100,000. The convertible loan notes were all converted into share capital on 11 July 2013.

#### 16. Capital Management Policy

The Company's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain an optimal capital structure to reduce the cost of capital. The capital structure of the Company consists of borrowings and equity attributable to equity holders of the Company, comprising issued share capital and reserves.

#### 17. Pension Commitments

The Company has no pension commitments at the year end.

#### 18. Dividends

No dividends have been proposed. There were nil dividends in the prior period (end 31 March 2013).

#### 19. Convertible Loan Notes

The convertible loan brought forward of £100,000 was fully converted and issued into new Ordinary shares on 11 July 2013.

#### 20. Staff Costs

During the year to 31 March 2014 there were no staff costs as no staff were employed by the company, other than the Directors' fees as disclosed in note 13.

#### 21. Ultimate Controlling Party

The Directors have determined that there is no controlling party as no individual shareholder holds a controlling interest in the Company.

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# 22. Copies of the Annual Report

Copies of the annual report will be available on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.xplorerplc.co.uk">www.xplorerplc.co.uk</a> and from the Company's registered office, 24 Hanover Square, London, W1S 1JD