

BRITANNIC OPPORTUNITIES LIMITED

Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 September 2020

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REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS GENERAL INFORMATION

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BRITANNIC OPPORTUNITIES LIMITED

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

For the year ended 30 September 2020

The Directors present the annual report and the audited financial statements ("the financial statements") of Britannic Opportunities Limited ("the Company") for the year ended 30 September 2020.

Principal Activity

The principal activity of the Company is that of a limited life investment holding company.

The Company is a Guernsey Registered closed-ended investment company and is subject to the Registered Collective Investment Scheme Rules 2018. The Company is listed on the Bermuda Stock Exchange.

Going concern

Under the terms of the Company's prospectus, following a successful fund raising in July 2019, the life of the Company was extended for a period of approximately 4.75 years from 18 July 2019. In the absence of a further special resolution to extend the life of the Company, the Company's shares will be redeemed and the Company will terminate in April 2023.

The Board notes that the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic has had a significant disruptive impact on economies and financial markets worldwide, and has undertaken an assessment of the effect that the pandemic may have on the Company's ability to operate as a going concern.

The Board considers that the Covid-19 pandemic will not have a significant impact on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, for the following reasons:

- The Company is closed-ended, as a result of which the Board has the power to decline requests to redeem shareholdings if it believes that such redemptions are not in the best interests of the Company;
- Should the Board agree to a redemption, it would be offered to the investor at a price that the assets can be redeemed in the market. The Company itself would not be exposed to any losses that may arise;
- The Company is less exposed to the risk of widespread investor sell-off, because of the defensive nature of the Company's investment profile. Other than through default or insolvency of the debt provider, investors will be aware that a key element of the Company's investment strategy is to provide capital protection, therefore limiting their exposure to falls in the markets of the kind that are currently being experienced; and
- Since the reporting date, the Board has received no enquiries, either directly or via the Investment Adviser, from investors wishing to redeem their shareholdings at any other time other than at the predetermined planned date of redemption.

As a result of the above considerations, and as the Company has sufficient working capital and adequate resources to continue in operations and meet its liabilities as they fall due for the foreseeable future, the Directors have determined that these financial statements should be prepared on a going concern basis.

Results and Dividends

The Statement of Comprehensive Income is set out on page 9. The Directors do not propose a dividend for the year ended 30 September 2020 (2019: Nil).

Directors

The Directors of the Company during the year and to the date of this report are detailed below.

C Hickling

J Lewis

D Stephenson

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

For the year ended 30 September 2020

Directors' and Other Interests

Janine Lewis is a Director of the Company and a director of Praxis Fund Services Limited ('PFSL'), the Company's Administrator, Secretary, Custodian and Registrar, David Stephenson is a Director of the Company and an employee of PFSL, and Chris Hickling is a Director of the Company and a director of Praxis Fund Holdings Limited, the immediate parent company of PFSL. Janine Lewis, Chris Hickling and David Stephenson are shareholders in PraxisIFM Group Limited, the ultimate parent company of PFSL.

During the year, no Director has had any beneficial interest in the shares of the Company.

No Director of the Company, or Investec Corporate and Institutional Banking ('ICIB'), the Investment Advisor to the Company, holds any right, either contingent or otherwise, to subscribe for shares in the Company.

Details of fees paid to PFSL and ICIB during the year are contained in notes 5 and 19 to these Financial Statements.

No fees were paid to the Directors by the Company during the year.

Historical Results

The results and assets and liabilities of the Company for the last five years are as follows:

	Total Assets	Total Liabilities	Total Comprehensive Income
	£	£	£
Year ended 30 September 2020	62,301,378	23,052	1,154,379
Year ended 30 September 2019	61,239,599	115,652	5,169,249
Year ended 30 September 2018	49,439,489	29,062	4,146,748
Year ended 30 September 2017	45,294,597	30,918	3,843,984
Year ended 30 September 2016	41,449,929	30,234	3,895,929

Investment Portfolio

The Company's investment portfolio comprises the following investments:

	Percentage of portfolio	Cost	Carrying Value
		£	£
Investec Bank Limited Structured Deposit (underlying bonds issued by Absa Group Limited)	61.4%	36,083,069	36,795,032
Investec Bank Limited Structured Deposit (underlying bonds issued by FirstRand Bank Limited)	26.5%	15,660,823	15,906,293
Goldman Sachs International Limited Index Option	12.1%	5,073,929	7,221,908
		<u>56,817,821</u>	<u>59,923,233</u>

Investec Bank Limited, Absa Group Limited, FirstRand Bank Limited and Goldman Sachs International Limited are providers of financial services.

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and financial statements in accordance with The Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company as at the end of the financial year, and of the profit or loss for the financial year.

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

For the year ended 30 September 2020

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities (continued)

Under that law, the Directors have prepared the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs). Under company law the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable appropriate accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether IFRSs 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.

The Directors confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements.

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 (Guernsey) Law, 2008 and with The Protection of Investors (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 1987. 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 Directors confirm that:

- so far as each Director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware;
- each Director has taken all the steps he ought to have taken as a Director to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information; and
- the financial statements give a true and fair view and have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, with The Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008 and with The Protection of Investors (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 1987.

Auditor

A resolution to re-appoint Saffery Champness as auditor will be put to the members at the Annual General Meeting.

By Order of the Board

Janine Lewis

Director

26 November 2020

BRITANNIC OPPORTUNITIES LIMITED

Independent auditor's report to the members

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Britannic Opportunities Limited (the "Company") for the year ended 30 September 2020, which comprise the Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Changes in Equity, Statement of Cash Flows and related notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs").

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company as at 30 September 2020 and of the profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with IFRSs; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of The Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

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

Other information

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

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

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where The Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the company; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have failed to obtain all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, are necessary for the purpose of our audit.

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Independent auditor's report to the members (continued)

Responsibilities of Directors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on pages 5 and 6, the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with section 262 of The Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008. 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.

SAFFERY CHAMPNESS GAT LLP

Chartered Accountants

St Sampson

Guernsey

26 November 2020

BRITANNIC OPPORTUNITIES LIMITED

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the year ended 30 September 2020

	Notes	Year ended 30 Sept 2020 £	Year ended 30 Sept 2019 £
INCOME			
Interest income	6	2,490,184	2,153,808
GAINS/(LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS			
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	7	2,282,562	2,858,133
Investments at amortised cost	9	-	(1,560)
Derivatives at fair value through profit or loss	10	237,476	(109,874)
Reclassification of prior year revaluation gains on available-for-sale investment		-	(1,905,478)
		5,010,222	2,995,029
Operating expenses	11	(817,751)	(615,968)
Foreign exchange gains/(losses)		1,020	(194,746)
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		4,193,491	2,184,315
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			
<i>Items that may be reclassified to profit and loss</i>			
Foreign exchange translation (losses)/gains	18	(3,039,112)	1,079,456
Reclassification of prior year revaluation gains on available-for-sale investment		-	1,905,478
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR		1,154,379	5,169,249
Earnings per share			
Basic and diluted earnings per A Class share	12	GBP 96.81	GBP 55.80
Basic and diluted earnings per B Class share	12	GBP 96.81	GBP 55.80

There are no recognised gains or losses other than those reported above.

The notes on pages 13 to 27 are an integral part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 September 2020

	Notes	2020 £	2019 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments at fair value through profit and loss	7	7,221,908	5,223,798
Investments at amortised cost	9	52,701,325	52,857,381
Derivative at fair value through profit and loss	10	285,193	53,375
		60,208,426	58,134,554
CURRENT ASSETS			
Trade and other receivables	13	608,539	951,010
Unpaid share capital		10	10
Cash and cash equivalents		1,484,403	2,154,025
		2,092,952	3,105,045
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	14	(7,900)	(115,652)
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		2,085,052	2,989,393
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	14	(15,152)	-
		62,278,326	61,123,947
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Share capital	15	406	406
Share premium	16	51,135,535	51,135,535
Retained earnings	17	13,102,041	8,908,550
Translation reserve	18	(1,959,656)	1,079,456
EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			
		62,278,326	61,123,947
Number of fully paid A Class shares		24,720.472	24,720.472
Number of fully paid B Class shares		18,597.629	18,597.629
Net Asset Value per A Class Share		GBP 1,437.70	GBP 1,411.05
Net Asset Value per B Class Share		USD 1,857.51	USD 1,734.04

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 26 November 2020 and signed on its behalf by:

Janine Lewis
Director

The notes on pages 13 to 27 are an integral part of these financial statements.

BRITANNIC OPPORTUNITIES LIMITED

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the year ended 30 September 2020

	Management	A Class and B Class					Total
	Shareholders	Shareholders					
	Share Capital £	Share Capital £	Share Premium £	Retained Earnings £	Translation reserve £	Revaluation reserve £	Total £
Year ended 30 September 2019							
At 1 October 2018	10	387	38,659,286	12,656,222	-	(1,905,478)	49,410,427
<i>Adjustment on adoption of IFRS 9 - reclassification of financial assets to amortised cost</i>	-	-	-	(66,573)	-	-	(66,573)
Net profit for the year	-	-	-	2,184,315	-	-	2,184,315
<i>Other comprehensive income</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reclassification of prior year revaluation gains on investments disposed of during the year	-	-	-	-	-	1,905,478	1,905,478
Foreign exchange translation gains (see note 18)	-	-	-	-	1,079,456	-	1,079,456
<i>Transactions with owners</i>							
Share issues (see note 15)	-	169	28,489,223	-	-	-	28,489,392
Share issue costs (see note 16)	-	-	(23,801)	-	-	-	(23,801)
Share redemptions (see notes 15,16)	-	(160)	(15,989,173)	(5,865,414)	-	-	(21,854,747)
At 30 September 2019	10	396	51,135,535	8,908,550	1,079,456	-	61,123,947
Year ended 30 September 2020							
Net profit for the year	-	-	-	4,193,491	-	-	4,193,491
<i>Other comprehensive income</i>							
Foreign exchange translation losses (see note 18)	-	-	-	-	(3,039,112)	-	(3,039,112)
At 30 September 2020	10	396	51,135,535	13,102,041	(1,959,656)	-	62,278,326

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended 30 September 2020

		Year ended 30 Sept 2020	Year ended 30 Sept 2019
		£	£
	Notes		
Profit for the year		4,193,491	2,184,315
Adjustments for:			
Interest income	6	(2,490,184)	(2,153,808)
Interest expense	11	15,350	-
Gain on investments at fair value through profit and loss	7	(2,282,562)	(2,858,133)
Loss on investments at amortised cost	9	-	1,560
(Gain)/loss on derivatives at fair value through profit and loss	10	(237,476)	109,874
Reclassification of prior year revaluation gains on available-for-sale assets		-	1,905,478
Decrease in trade and other receivables		342,471	223,708
(Decrease)/increase in trade and other payables (excluding interest payable)		(107,752)	86,590
Net cash outflow from operating activities		<u>(566,662)</u>	<u>(500,416)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest income		33,169	420
Purchase of investments at fair value through profit and loss	7	-	(5,073,929)
Purchase of investments at amortised cost	9	-	(51,743,892)
Disposal of investments at fair value through profit or loss	7	-	14,493,039
Disposal of investments at amortised cost	9	-	38,663,883
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities		<u>33,169</u>	<u>(3,660,479)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities			
Share issues	15,16	-	27,760,040
Share issue costs	16	-	(23,801)
Share redemptions	15,16	-	(21,854,747)
Net cash inflow from financing activities		<u>-</u>	<u>5,881,492</u>
(Decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents for the year		(533,493)	1,720,597
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		2,154,025	117,614
Foreign exchange translation (losses)/gains		(136,129)	315,814
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		<u>1,484,403</u>	<u>2,154,025</u>

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BRITANNIC OPPORTUNITIES LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 September 2020

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Britannic Opportunities Limited ("the Company") is a company incorporated and domiciled in Guernsey under The Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008. The address of the registered office is given on page 3. The principal activity of the Company and its operations are detailed on page 4. These financial statements are presented in Pound Sterling. The functional currency of the Company is US Dollars.

2. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the Company's financial statements.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements of the Company, have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRS'). The financial statements comply with IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB").

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for the revaluation of certain financial instruments measured at fair value.

Going concern

Under the terms of the Company's prospectus, following a successful fund raising in July 2019, the life of the Company was extended for a period of approximately 4.75 years from 18 July 2019. In the absence of a further special resolution to extend the life of the Company, the Company's shares will be redeemed and the Company will terminate in April 2023.

The Board notes that the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic has had a significant disruptive impact on economies and financial markets worldwide, and has undertaken an assessment of the effect that the pandemic may have on the Company's ability to operate as a going concern.

The Board considers that the Covid-19 pandemic will not have a significant impact on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, for the following reasons:

- The Company is closed-ended, as a result of which the Board has the power to decline requests to redeem shareholdings if it believes that such redemptions are not in the best interests of the Company;
- Should the Board agree to a redemption, it would be offered to the investor at a price that the assets can be redeemed in the market. The Company itself would not be exposed to any losses that may arise;
- The Company is less exposed to the risk of widespread investor sell-off, because of the defensive nature of the Company's investment profile. Other than through default or insolvency of the debt provider, investors will be aware that a key element of the Company's investment strategy is to provide capital protection, therefore limiting their exposure to falls in the markets of the kind that are currently being experienced; and
- Since the reporting date, the Board has received no enquiries, either directly or via the Investment Adviser, from investors wishing to redeem their shareholdings at any other time other than at the predetermined planned date of redemption.

As a result of the above considerations, and as the Company has sufficient working capital and adequate resources to continue in operations and meet its liabilities as they fall due for the foreseeable future, the Directors have determined that these financial statements should be prepared on a going concern basis.

Adoption of new and revised standards

There were no new standards adopted by the Company during the year that had a material effect on the financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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2. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

New, revised and amended standards and interpretations not yet adopted

Certain new accounting standards and interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for 30 September 2020 reporting periods and have not been early adopted by the Company. These standards are not expected to have a material impact on the entity in the current or future reporting periods and on foreseeable future transactions.

Financial assets - classification

Under IFRS 9, the classification and measurement of financial assets is driven by the entity's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristic of those financial assets.

The Company has determined that it has two distinct business models, as follows:

(i) To invest in one or more structured deposits issued by Investec Bank Limited (the "Structured Deposits"). Under IFRS 9, financial assets that are debt instruments may be classified as either (a) amortised cost, (b) fair value through other comprehensive income or (c) fair value through profit and loss. The purpose of the Company's investment in the Structured Deposits is to collect the contractual cashflows of solely payments of principal and interest arising on maturity, which will provide capital protection for investors in the Company, and accordingly, the Company has determined that this investment should be classified as an investment at amortised cost.

(ii) To invest in an option linked to an index or basket of indices (the "Option"), in order to provide investors with a potential upside on their investment. Under the terms of IFRS 9, the Option is automatically classified as an investment at fair value through profit or loss.

Financial assets - recognition and subsequent measurement

Purchased financial assets are recognised on trade date, being the date on which the Company irrevocably commits to purchase the asset.

All investments are measured initially at fair value net of transaction costs, except where the investment will subsequently be measured at fair value through profit or loss. Transaction costs relating to the acquisition of investments at fair value through profit or loss are expensed as incurred in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

After initial recognition, the Company's Option investment is measured at fair value through profit or loss ("FVPL"). Fair value is calculated using quoted market prices, independent appraisals, discounted cash flow analysis or other appropriate valuation models at the reporting date. Changes in the fair value of financial assets at FVPL are recognised in other gains/(losses) in profit or loss in the statement of comprehensive income as applicable.

After initial recognition, the Company's Structured Deposits are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. Interest income from this financial asset is included in profit or loss. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition is recognised directly in profit or loss and presented in other gains/(losses) together with foreign exchange gains and losses. Impairment losses, including expected credit losses at initial recognition and changes to expected credit losses at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition, are presented as a separate line item in profit or loss in the statement of comprehensive income.

All gains or losses are recognised in the period in which they arise.

Investments are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the investments have expired or the Company has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership.

Liquid resources

Liquid resources comprise cash and cash equivalents and long-term deposits. Cash and cash equivalents comprises bank balances and short term deposits with an original maturity of three months or less. Deposits with an original maturity of greater than three months are classified as long-term deposits.

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2. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are recognised initially at the amount of consideration that is unconditional, unless they contain significant financing components, when they are recognised at fair value. The Company holds the receivables with the objective of collecting the contractual cash flows and therefore measures them subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

The Company applies the IFRS 9 simplified approach to measuring expected credit losses which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance for all trade receivables and contract assets.

Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities, other than those at fair value through profit or loss, are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Interest income

Interest income on financial assets at amortised cost is calculated using the effective interest rate method and recognised in profit or loss.

Foreign exchange

Items included in the financial statements of the Company are measured in the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Company operates (the "functional currency"). Until the Company's rollover on 18 July 2019, the Directors determined that the functional currency of the Company was Sterling, as it was the currency in which the Company's capital was raised, its investments denominated, and the majority of its expenses incurred. Subsequent to 18 July 2019, the Directors have determined that the functional currency of the Company is US Dollars, as it is the currency in which the Company's investments are denominated, a significant proportion (although not the majority) of capital raised, and in which the majority of the Company's expenses are incurred. The Directors have selected Pound Sterling as the presentation currency of the Company.

Foreign currency assets and liabilities are translated into Pound Sterling at the rate of exchange ruling on the reporting date. Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency of US Dollars at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction, and then translated into Pound Sterling at the average exchange rate for the reporting period. Foreign exchange gains and losses are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income in the period in which they arise. Differences arising on translation from the functional currency to the presentation currency are recognised in other comprehensive income in the period in which they arise and are taken to the translation reserve.

Expenses

Expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses are charged to the Statement of Comprehensive Income, except for expenses incurred in relation to the launch of the Company, which have been charged against share premium.

Taxation

The Company is exempt from Guernsey income tax under the Income Tax (Exempt Bodies) Guernsey Ordinance 1989 and is charged an annual exemption fee of £1,200 (2019: £1,200).

3. SEGMENT REPORTING

The Board of Directors considers that the Company is engaged in a single segment of business, being the holding of investments. The Board considers that it is the Company's Chief Operating Decision Maker.

4. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate was 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.

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4. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS (continued)

The areas involving significant estimates or judgements are:

- Classification of and subsequent measurement basis of financial instruments – see note 2 (Financial assets – classification);
- Determination of the functional currency - see note 2 (Foreign exchange);
- Estimated fair value of financial assets measured at FVPL – see notes 7 and 10; and
- Impairment of financial assets measured at amortised cost - see notes 9 and 13.

5. SIGNIFICANT AGREEMENTS

The following significant agreements have been entered into by the Company:

Administration, Custodian and Secretarial Agreement

Under the Administration, Custodian and Secretarial Agreement, the Company has agreed to pay or procure to be paid to the administrator, for its services as administrator, secretary, custodian and registrar, a fee of 0.11% (2019: 0.13%) per annum of the Company's funds (as reduced by any redemptions of Ordinary Shares prior to the Redemption Date, which attract a redemption fee of up to 0.5% of the value of the redemption). In addition the administrator is entitled to receive interest earned by the Company on the unpaid element of the fees due to the date of termination. See notes 11, 13 and 19 for details of administration fees and interest paid in the year and balances outstanding at the year end.

Investment Advisory Agreement

Under the Investment Advisory Agreement, the Company has agreed to pay or procure to be paid to the advisor, for its services as advisor, a fee of 0.60% (2019: 0.60%) per annum of the Company's funds (as reduced by any redemptions of Ordinary Shares prior to the Redemption Date, which attract a redemption fee of up to 0.75% of the value of the redemption). In addition the Investment Advisor is entitled to receive interest earned by the Company on the unpaid element of the fees due to the date of termination. See notes 11, 13 and 19 for details of investment advisory fees and interest paid in the year and balances outstanding at the year end.

Distribution Agreement

Under the Distribution Agreement, the Company has agreed to pay or procure to be paid to the Distributors a fee of 0.60% (2019: 0.60%) per annum of that portion of the Company's funds that is derived from the subscription amount subscribed for by Subscribers introduced by the Distributor (as reduced by any redemptions of such Ordinary Shares prior to the Redemption Date). See notes 11 and 13 for details of distribution fees paid in the year and balances outstanding at the year end. Investec Corporate and Institutional Banking, the Company's Investment Advisor, is also a Distributor for the Company.

All fees described above are payable annually in advance on the anniversary of the Trade Date (the date of investment of the Company's funds) each year until the Termination Date (the date of compulsory redemption of the ordinary shares).

6. INTEREST INCOME

	2020	2019
	£	£
Interest on investments at amortised cost	2,457,015	2,153,388
Bank interest	33,169	420
	<u>2,490,184</u>	<u>2,153,808</u>

The effective interest rates used for calculating the interest on the Company's two Structured Deposits (see note 9) are 4.5808% and 4.9299% respectively.

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7. INVESTMENTS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS	2020	2019
	£	£
BNP Paribas Index Option		
Fair value brought forward	-	6,868,673
Disposals	-	(8,652,244)
Gains on disposal	-	1,783,571
Fair value carried forward	-	-
	2020	2019
	£	£
JP Morgan Securities Index Option		
Fair value brought forward	-	4,807,078
Disposals	-	(5,840,796)
Gains on disposal	-	1,033,718
Fair value carried forward	-	-
	2020	2019
	£	£
Goldman Sachs International Index Option		
Fair value brought forward	5,223,798	-
Acquisition	-	5,073,929
Fair value adjustment	2,282,562	40,844
Translation difference	(284,452)	109,025
Fair value carried forward	7,221,908	5,223,798

The BNP Paribas Index Option and the JP Morgan Index Option, which were disposed of during the prior year, were Call Options referenced to the FTSE 100 index. The Goldman Sachs International Index Option acquired during the prior year is a Call Option referenced to the Euro Stoxx 50 index (30%), the S&P 500 index (40%) and the Nikkei 225 index (30%).

The Directors determine the fair value of the Option based on valuations provided by Goldman Sachs. The valuation/price of the Option is calculated by Goldman Sachs using an option pricing model and a closing price is published daily on Bloomberg.

The Option has been classified as a level 2 investment in the fair value hierarchy, as the valuation is derived from observable inputs other than quoted prices in an active market (see note 20(iv)). The key inputs to the valuation were the notional value of the Option (£74,645,644 (2019: £74,645,644)) and the published price of the Option (12.50% (2019: 8.60%)) as at 30 September 2020. The key inputs to the published price of the Option were the closing prices as at 30 September 2020 of the Euro Stoxx 50 index (3,193.61 (2019: 3,569.45)), S&P 500 index (3,363.00 (2019: 2,976.74)) and Nikkei 225 index (23,185.12 (2019: 21,755.84)).

8. AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE INVESTMENTS	2020	2019
	£	£
Investec Bank Limited Structured Deposit		
Fair value brought forward	-	37,037,499
Reclassification to investments at amortised cost	-	(37,037,499)
Fair value carried forward	-	-

On the adoption of IFRS 9 at the commencement of the prior financial year, the Company's investment in the Structured Deposit at the time was reclassified as an investment at amortised cost (see note 9).

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9. INVESTMENTS AT AMORTISED COST	2020	2019
	£	£
Investec Bank Limited Structured Deposits		
Reclassification of available-for-sale investments to amortised cost on adoption of IFRS 9	-	37,037,499
Adjustment to carrying value on adoption of IFRS 9	-	(66,573)
Interest	-	1,694,517
Disposals	-	(38,663,883)
Loss on disposals	-	(1,560)
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

On the adoption of IFRS 9 at the start of the prior year, the Structured Deposit was reclassified from an available-for-sale investment to an investment at amortised cost (see note 8). An adjustment of £66,573 was required in the prior year to the brought forward value of the Structured Deposit as a result of its reclassification as an investment at amortised cost.

Carrying value brought forward	52,857,381	-
Acquisition of new Structured Deposit during the year	-	51,743,892
Interest	2,457,015	458,871
Translation difference	(2,613,071)	654,618
Carrying value carried forward	<u>52,701,325</u>	<u>52,857,381</u>

On 18 July 2019, the Company acquired two new Structured Deposits ("SD1" and "SD2") from Investec Bank Limited.

SD1 comprises:

- A holding of Absa Group Limited 6.25% bonds maturing in 2028 (the "Absa bonds"). The Absa bonds were purchased in the market, and are callable by the issuer at par on 25 April 2023;
- An accreting bank deposit, which commences on the date of the first coupon payment from the Absa bonds, receives all subsequent coupon payments during the life of the Company, and earns interest on a quarterly compounding basis; and
- An interest rate swap, which fixes the interest rate on the accreting deposit. In accordance with IFRS 9, this instrument is classified separately in the Statement of Financial Position under the heading 'Derivatives at fair value through profit and loss', and movements in the fair value thereof are recognised separately in the Statement of Comprehensive Income (see note 10).

SD2 comprises:

- A holding of FirstRand Bank Limited 6.25% bonds maturing in 2028 (the "FirstRand bonds"). The FirstRand bonds were purchased in the market, and are callable by the issuer at par on 25 April 2023;
- An accreting bank deposit, which commences on the date of the first coupon payment from the FirstRand bonds, receives all subsequent coupon payments during the life of the Company, and earns interest on a quarterly compounding basis; and
- An interest rate swap, which fixes the interest rate on the accreting deposit. In accordance with IFRS 9, this instrument is classified separately in the Statement of Financial Position under the heading 'Derivatives at fair value through profit and loss', and movements in the fair value thereof are recognised separately in the Statement of Comprehensive Income (see note 10).

The Directors regard the Structured Deposits as single financial instruments, which are measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method, except for the embedded interest rate swap, which is measured at its mark-to-market value (see note 10). The effective interest rates used for calculating the interest income are disclosed in note 6.

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9. INVESTMENTS AT AMORTISED COST (continued)

The calculation of impairment, including expected credit losses, is based on assumptions about risk of default and expected loss rates. The Company uses judgments in making this assumption and selecting the inputs to the impairment calculation based on past history and existing market conditions (see note 20(ii)). The Company has assessed the investment in the Structured Deposits for impairment and expected credit losses at the reporting date and has concluded that as at the year end no impairment or credit losses are expected over the life of the investment (2019: no impairment or credit losses were expected over the life of the investment).

The fair value of the Structured Deposits, calculated by ICIB at 30 September 2020, was £50,991,409.

10. DERIVATIVES AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

	2020	2019
	£	£
Fair value brought forward	53,375	163,249
Loss on disposal	-	(163,249)
Fair value adjustment	237,476	53,375
Translation difference	(5,658)	-
Fair value carried forward	<u>285,193</u>	<u>53,375</u>

Derivatives at fair value through profit or loss comprise interest rate swaps, which were acquired during the year, to fix the interest rate on the accreting deposit components of the Structured Deposits (see note 9). The interest rate swaps are measured at their marked-to-market value, based on valuations provided by the swap issuer, less a provision for unwind costs, estimated by the Investment Advisor.

The interest rate swap is classified as a level 2 investment in the fair value hierarchy.

11. OPERATING EXPENSES

	2020	2019
	£	£
Distributors' fees	345,924	271,036
Investment advisory fees	352,125	258,588
Administration fees	83,201	65,228
Audit fee	8,203	8,987
Guernsey Financial Services Commission licence fees	3,550	3,400
Listing & sponsorship fees	5,620	4,517
Statutory fees	1,719	2,354
Professional indemnity insurance	1,055	1,075
Interest expense	15,350	-
Sundry expenses	1,004	783
	<u>817,751</u>	<u>615,968</u>

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12. EARNINGS PER ORDINARY SHARE

The calculation of the basic and diluted earnings per share is based on the following data:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Earnings attributable to ordinary shares:		
Profit for the purpose of calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share being profit for the year attributable to ordinary shareholders	<u>4,193,491</u>	<u>2,184,315</u>
Number of shares:		
Weighted average total of A and B Class shares for the purpose of basic earnings per share	43,318.101	39,146.264
Earnings per share attributable to A Class shares	<u>GBP 96.81</u>	<u>GBP 55.80</u>
Earnings per share attributable to B Class shares	<u>GBP 96.81</u>	<u>GBP 55.80</u>

A weighted average number of shares has been calculated to enable users to gain a fairer understanding of the earnings generated per share through the year. The weighted average has been calculated with reference to the number of days shares have actually been in issue in the year, and hence their ability to influence income generated.

13. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2020	2019
	£	£
Amounts due from shareholders	-	729,352
Prepaid administration fee	50,668	63,171
Prepaid distributors' fees	273,245	154,517
Prepaid investment advisory fee	276,371	-
Other debtors and prepayments	8,255	3,970
	<u>608,539</u>	<u>951,010</u>

14. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2020	2019
	£	£
Current		
Audit fee	7,900	7,900
Distributors' fees	-	34,150
Investment advisory fee	-	72,890
Listing fee	-	712
	<u>7,900</u>	<u>115,652</u>
Non-current		
Interest payable	15,152	-
	<u>15,152</u>	<u>-</u>

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15. SHARE CAPITAL

Following the adoption of the Company's amended Articles of Association on 22 March 2019, the Company no longer has any defined authorised capital.

	2020	2019
	£	£
Issued:		
10 (2019: 10) unpaid Management shares of £1 each	10	10
24,720.472 (2019: 24,720.472) A Class shares of £0.01 each	247	247
18,597.629 (2019: 18,597.629) B Class shares of US\$0.01 each	149	149
	<u>406</u>	<u>406</u>

A Class and B Class shares are entitled to 1 vote each at a general meeting of the Company. Under the terms of the Company's new prospectus, and in the absence of a further special resolution to extend the life of the Company, the Company's shares will be redeemed and the Company will terminate on 27 April 2023. A Class and B Class shareholders are entitled to receive any dividends or distributions from the Company and any surplus arising on the winding up of the Company after the payment of creditors and redemption of the Management shares at their nominal value.

Management shares are entitled to 10,000 votes each at a general meeting of the Company. Management shares may only be owned by The Basket Trust (see note 19) or its nominee. Management shareholders are not entitled to receive any dividends or distributions from the Company nor any surplus arising on the winding up of the Company in excess of the nominal value of the Management shares.

16. SHARE PREMIUM

2020		A Class	B Class	Total
		£	£	£
Balance brought forward and carried forward		<u>25,457,481</u>	<u>25,678,054</u>	<u>51,135,535</u>
2019	Ordinary	A Class	B Class	Total
	£	£	£	£
Balance brought forward	38,659,286	-	-	38,659,286
Shares redeemed during the year	(15,989,173)	-	-	(15,989,173)
Ordinary shares converted to A Class shares	(22,670,113)	22,670,113	-	-
Shares issued during the year	-	2,789,699	25,699,524	28,489,223
Capitalised launch costs	-	(2,331)	(21,470)	(23,801)
Balance carried forward	<u>-</u>	<u>25,457,481</u>	<u>25,678,054</u>	<u>51,135,535</u>

17. RETAINED EARNINGS

Movements in retained earnings are attributable to A Class and B Class shareholders as follows:

2020		A Class	B Class	Total
		£	£	£
Balance brought forward		8,790,763	117,787	8,908,550
Net profit for the year		<u>2,393,112</u>	<u>1,800,379</u>	<u>4,193,491</u>
Balance carried forward		<u>11,183,875</u>	<u>1,918,166</u>	<u>13,102,041</u>

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17. RETAINED EARNINGS (continued)

2019	Ordinary £	A Class £	B Class £	Total £
Balance brought forward	12,656,222	-	-	12,656,222
Net profit for the year	1,909,963	156,565	117,787	2,184,315
Adjustment on adoption of IFRS 9 - reclassification of financial assets to amortised cost (note 8)	(66,573)	-	-	(66,573)
Shares redeemed during the year	(5,865,414)	-	-	(5,865,414)
Ordinary shares converted to A Class shares	(8,634,198)	8,634,198	-	-
Balance carried forward	-	8,790,763	117,787	8,908,550

18. TRANSLATION RESERVE

Movements in the translation reserve are attributable to A Class and B Class shareholders as follows:

2020	A Class £	B Class £	Total £
Balance brought forward	616,016	463,440	1,079,456
Foreign exchange translation losses	(1,734,339)	(1,304,773)	(3,039,112)
Balance carried forward	(1,118,323)	(841,333)	(1,959,656)
2019	A Class £	B Class £	Total £
Balance brought forward	-	-	-
Foreign exchange translation gains	616,016	463,440	1,079,456
Balance carried forward	616,016	463,440	1,079,456

19. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The immediate controlling party at the year end date is PraxisIFM Trust Limited as trustee of The Basket Trust, which owns the Management shares in the Company. There is no ultimate controlling party of the Company.

The ultimate controlling party of PraxisIFM Trust Limited is PraxisIFM Group Limited ('PGL'). PGL is also the ultimate controlling party of Praxis Fund Services Limited ('PFSL'), the administrator of the Company. PFSL is deemed to be a related party, as Janine Lewis (a Director of the Company) is a director of PFSL and a shareholder in PGL; Chris Hickling (a Director of the Company) is a director of Praxis Fund Holdings Limited, the immediate parent of PFSL, and a shareholder in PGL; and David Stephenson (a Director of the Company) is an employee of PFSL and a shareholder in PGL. During the year PFSL earned £83,201 (2019: £65,228) for its services as administrator. At the year end date administration fees of £50,668 (2019: £63,171) had been paid to PFSL in advance. At the year end date interest on outstanding fees of £3,086 (2019: £Nil) was payable to PFSL.

The Investment Advisor, Investec Corporate and Institutional Banking ("ICIB"), a division of Investec Bank Limited, the issuer of the Company's Structured Deposits, is deemed to be a related party. During the year ICIB earned £352,125 (2019: £258,588) for their services as investment advisor. At the year end date investment advisory fees of £276,371 had been paid to ICIB in advance (2019: £72,890 outstanding) and interest on outstanding fees of £12,066 (2019: £Nil) was payable to ICIB.

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20. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT RISK FACTORS

The Company is exposed to market risk, credit risk and liquidity risk from the financial instruments it holds. The Company has a fixed modus operandi, as stated in its prospectus, which is to invest its capital in a zero coupon bond (or other structured product with similar characteristics) and an option or options on a specified index or basket of indices; and to retain a certain element of cash to cover expenses to be incurred over the specified period of its life. As a result of this, the Company's flexibility in dealing with the risks associated with these instruments is somewhat limited. However, the risk management policies that are employed by the Company to manage these risks are discussed below. There have been no changes to the Company's exposure to market risk, credit risk and liquidity risk; or its objectives, policies and procedures for managing such risks, since the prior year.

(i) Market risk

(a) Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the value of financial instruments will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates. Currency risk arises when future commercial transactions and recognised assets and liabilities are denominated in a currency that is not the Company's functional currency. As at 30 September 2020 the Company was exposed to foreign exchange risk in relation to the following assets and liabilities:

	Source currency	2020 £	2019 £
Cash and cash equivalents	Pound Sterling	792	27,186
Trade and other payables	Pound Sterling	(7,900)	(7,900)
		<u>(7,108)</u>	<u>19,286</u>

At 30 September 2020, the foreign currency exposure of the Company against the measurement currency of US Dollars, principally to Sterling, represented -0.01% of Equity Shareholder's Funds (2019: 0.03%). The Company's policy is not to manage the Company's exposure to foreign exchange movements by entering into any foreign exchange hedging transactions. If the exchange rate of the US Dollar against Pound Sterling at the year end date had been 10% higher/lower, this would have resulted in a decrease/increase in the year end net asset value of £711 (2019: increase/decrease of £1,929). The sensitivity rate of 10% is regarded as reasonable as this is the approximate volatility of Pound Sterling against the US Dollar during the year.

The Company had no other material currency exposures as at 30 September 2020 or 30 September 2019.

(b) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Company is exposed to interest rate risk on its cash and cash equivalents and on interest payable on outstanding future fees. At 30 September 2020, the Company held cash on call accounts of £368,069 (2019: £2,154,025), which earned interest at a weighted average rate of 0% (2019: 0%), and held a long-term deposit of £1,116,334 (2019: £Nil), which earned interest at a rate of 1.45% (2019: N/a). At 30 September 2020, the Company had outstanding future fees on which interest is payable of £881,407 (2019: £1,196,914), on which interest at a rate of 1.45% (2019: 0%) is payable.

Had these balances existed for the whole of the year, the effect on the Statement of Comprehensive Income of an increase/decrease in short term interest rates of 0.25% per annum would have been an increase of £1,507/decrease of £587 in total comprehensive income for the year (2019: increase of £5,385/decrease of £Nil). The sensitivity rate of 0.25% is regarded as reasonable in relation to the current US Dollar base rate of 0.25% (2019: 1.75%), as interest rates on US Dollar bank accounts are not currently volatile and increases or decreases applied by the Federal Reserve to the US Dollar base rate are usually applied in increments of 0.25%.

The Company had no other material interest rate exposures as at either 30 September 2020 or 30 September 2019. The Company's Structured Deposit investments are interest-bearing, however they earn interest at a fixed rate and are therefore not subject to interest rate risk.

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20. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT RISK FACTORS (continued)

(i) Market risk (continued)

(c) Price risk

Price risk is the risk that the value of an instrument will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk), whether caused by factors specific to an individual investment, its issuer or all factors affecting all instruments traded in the market. The Company's investments at fair value through profit or loss are directly affected by changes in market prices.

Price risk is managed at inception by investing in a combination of financial instruments: one or more holdings of zero coupon bonds, or other structured product with similar characteristics, that should provide capital protection for investors; and a call option on a basket of indices that the investment advisor believes is most likely to provide positive performance during the life of the Company. In order to provide capital protection, the amount of bonds acquired is calculated with the intention that the maturing amount of the Structured Deposit will be sufficient to guarantee that all investors who remain in the Company to maturity will at minimum get back the amount that they invested plus a return of some 3%. The Call Option provides the potential for significant upside performance, should the relevant indices perform well, with the downside limited to loss of the initial option premium.

The investment premise of the Company involves participation in the potential upside afforded by the Option, whilst enjoying the capital protection afforded by the Structured Deposits. Therefore, whilst the Board monitors the performance of the Option and Structured Deposits, it is unlikely that the Board would consider redeeming these at any stage, other than in relation to the redemption of investors' shares. As a result, the management of price risk effectively occurs at the inception of the Company in the selection of investments, and is not an active ongoing process during the remainder of the life of the Company.

The investments at fair value through profit or loss expose the Company to price risk. The details are as follows:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Goldman Sachs International Index Option	7,221,908	5,223,798
Derivatives at fair value through profit or loss	<u>285,193</u>	<u>53,375</u>
	<u>7,507,101</u>	<u>5,277,173</u>

A 50 per cent increase/decrease in the value of the Index Option at 30 September 2020 would have increased/decreased the Net Asset Value of the Company by £3,753,550 (2019: £2,611,899). The sensitivity rate of 50% is regarded as reasonable due to the potential volatility of the Euro Stoxx 50 index, to which the Option is linked, magnified by the participation rate of 200% (2019: 200%) attached to the Option.

(ii) Credit risk

Credit risk arises when a failure by counter-parties to discharge their obligations could reduce the amount of future cash inflows from financial assets on hand at the year end date. These financial assets include cash and cash equivalents, fixed deposits, trade and other receivables, available-for-sale investments and investments at fair value through profit or loss. The Company's exposure to credit risk arises from default of the counterparty with a maximum exposure equal to the carrying value or fair value of these instruments.

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20. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT RISK FACTORS (continued)

(ii) Credit risk (continued)

The Company states in its Prospectus that it will invest in Structured Deposit instruments provided by Investec Bank Limited ('IBL') and an option linked to a specified index, and provides extensive disclosure to shareholders of those instruments and the risks attached thereto. As a result of this, the Company's policy for managing the credit risk attached to the Company's financial assets is to monitor the credit rating of the relevant counterparty for any significant deterioration, without reference to an absolute range of credit ratings. In the event of there being any significant deterioration in the perceived creditworthiness of the counterparty to a point where shareholders' interest may be at risk, the Directors in their absolute discretion would consider the following courses of action: selling the relevant securities to third party purchasers and reinvesting the proceeds in the purchase of securities of another issuer, such that the new securities would replicate as closely as possible the terms and conditions of the original securities; and transferring cash to another banking institution. At initial recognition of the Structured Deposit and the Option, the Directors considered the credit risk attached to these instruments to be low, and this remains their view. The Directors would only seek to sell the relevant securities or transfer cash if they (in consultation with the investment advisor) consider that such would be in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders.

In accordance with this policy, the Board and the Investment Advisor have noted that the credit rating of IBL as at 30 September 2020 was BB+ (2019: BB+), and also notes Fitch's comment that IBL's rating is constrained by the sovereign rating of South Africa of BB+. As a result, the Directors and the investment advisor believe that it is not in the best interest of shareholders to attempt to unwind the Structured Deposits prior to their maturity date on 23 April 2023, as they believe firstly that there has been no significant deterioration in the creditworthiness of IBL, and secondly that obtaining an alternative investment with an institution with a higher credit rating could only be achieved on less favourable terms than those offered by the Structured Deposits, which could affect the Company's ability to offer capital protection to shareholders on their investment.

The Company monitors the creditworthiness of its counterparties on an ongoing basis and considers a financial asset to be in default when the counterparty fails to make contractual payments within 60 days of when they fall due. No instances of default or significant changes to the Company's credit risk or expected loss rates have been identified in the last 12 months.

The bonds which underlie the Structured Deposits are held with Absa Group Limited and FirstRand Bank Limited, which have Fitch long-term ratings of BB+ and BB+ respectively (2019: BB+ and BB+ respectively). The Option is held with Goldman Sachs International, which has a Fitch long-term rating of A+ (2019: A+). The cash and cash equivalents are held with Investec Bank (Channel Islands) Limited, which has a Fitch long term rating at the year end date of BBB+ (2019: BBB+).

The majority of the Company's trade and other receivables consists of prepayments and there is no credit risk associated with these balances.

(iii) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet financial liability obligations as they fall due, which may cause financial losses to the Company. The Company places its cash and cash equivalents with financial institutions on a short-term basis in order to maintain a high level of liquidity. This ensures that the Company is able to complete transactions in a timely manner, thus minimising the Company's exposure to such losses.

The Board reviews the cash resources of the Company on an ongoing basis to ensure that sufficient monies are held on call account to meet the Company's short-term obligations. At 30 September 2020 the total balance of cash on call was £368,069 (2019: £2,154,025), which is considered by the Board to be sufficient to meet all the Company's short-term obligations.

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20. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT RISK FACTORS (continued)

(iii) Liquidity risk (continued)

The following table analyses the Company's financial liabilities, which will be settled on a net basis, into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period from the balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	0-6 months	6-12 months	1-5 years
2020	£	£	£
Trade and other payables	7,900	-	15,152
Net exposure	7,900	-	15,152
	0-6 months	6-12 months	1-5 years
2019	£	£	£
Trade and other payables	-	115,652	-
Net exposure	-	115,652	-

(iv) Fair value hierarchy

The following table analyses instruments carried at fair value, by level of the fair value hierarchy. The different levels have been defined as follows:

- Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2: inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices);
- Level 3: inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

2020	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	£	£	£	£
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	-	7,221,908	-	7,221,908
Derivative at fair value through profit or loss	-	285,193	-	285,193
	-	7,507,101	-	7,507,101
2019	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	£	£	£	£
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	-	5,223,798	-	5,223,798
Derivative at fair value through profit or loss	-	53,375	-	53,375
	-	5,277,173	-	5,277,173

There have been no transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy during the year.

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21. CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Company's capital comprises the funds it has raised through the issue of share capital.

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 to maintain an optimal capital structure to reduce the cost of capital.

In order to ensure that the Company will be able to continue as a going concern, the Board continuously monitors forecast and actual cash flows and matches the maturity profiles of assets and liabilities. The Board has also considered the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic subsequent to the year end, and does not believe that this will have a significant impact on the Company's capital or its ability to continue as a going concern. The Company has no external borrowings.

Shareholders may be able to redeem their Shares prior to the Redemption Date, however such redemptions are wholly at the discretion of the Directors, and any request for redemption may be refused in whole or in part. No early redemptions will be permitted unless the Directors are satisfied that they have complied with all applicable law, including satisfaction of the solvency test as required by the Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008. There have been no changes to the Company's objectives or policies and procedures for managing capital since the previous year end.

22. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

The impact of the Covid-19 pandemic subsequent to the year end on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern and on its investments has been assessed in notes 2 and 21.

There were no other significant post balance sheet events requiring disclosure in these financial statements.