South Tees Development Corporation and Group

Annual Accounts

for the year ended 31/03/2019

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Narrative Report

Introduction

Welcome to the South Tees Development Corporation and Group's Annual statement of Accounts for 2018/19. The Statement of Accounts contains all the financial statements and disclosure notes required by statute. The statements have been prepared in accordance with the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2018/19. The purpose of this narrative report is to provide a guide to the Corporation and Group's accounts as well as setting out the Corporation and Group's financial position.

Objectives

Under new legal powers available to Tees Valley Combined Authority (TVCA) the South Tees Development Corporation (STDC) was established in August 2017 to redevelop the site of the former SSI steelworks which closed down in 2015 following SSI's liquidation. STDC is the first mayoral development corporation outside London.

The masterplan for the redevelopment of the site has been agreed with the long term view to redevelop the site to provide a high value, low carbon, diverse and inclusive economy. Creating significant employment prospects for the area.

STDC's masterplan is to acquire the site from its current owners and redevelop over a 25 year timescale in order to encourage employment in the region. STDC and Group have acquired some land and is currently in negotiations to buy the remaining land. Initial Ministry for Housing Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) funding has been made available, additional funds from Her Majesty's Government are being sought.

Key Sections Included in the Statement of Accounts

Statement of Responsibilities - This sets out the respective responsibilities of the Development Corporation and the Chief Financial Officer for the Accounts.

Movement in Reserves Statement - This statement shows the movement during the year of the different reserves held by the Corporation and Group.

Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement - This account summarises the revenue costs of providing all services and the income and resources received in financing the expenditure.

Balance Sheet - The Balance Sheet shows the value as at the Balance Sheet date of the assets and liabilities recognised by the Corporation and Group. The net assets of the Corporation and Group (assets less liabilities) are matched by the reserves held by the Corporation and Group.

Cash Flow Statement - This statement provides a summary of the flow of cash into and out of the Corporation for revenue and capital purposes.

Notes to the Financial Statements - These include the accounting policies and concepts applied, as well as the disclosure notes relating to the above statements.

Resource Position

During the year there was a budget allocation from Ministry for Housing Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) for £14m to fund development on the Prairie site within the STDC boundary. In addition TVCA agreed to fund the land purchase costs. The first acquisition of land has been completed, bringing circa 50% of the land within the STDC boundary under the control of the development corporation.

Governance

The STDC has its own Board and governance committees. The STDC constitution includes the concept of referral decision for matters that are capable of a significant risk of liability landing on TVCA. The governance board and committees benefit from members from public sector and non public sector organisations.

Strategies

The strategic plan to redevelop the site is set out in the masterplan which is available on the website www.southteesdc.com The ambition is to redevelop the site to provide locations for a variety of industry types which should create a significant number of jobs in the area and safeguard the future of this area.

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Parental loans

Under paragraphs 9.1.4.14, 9.1.4.15 an 9.1.4.17 of the CIPFA code the Corporation and group is required to provide details of contractual arrangements which could require the parent or subsidiaries to provide financial support to another group entity. There have been loan agreements set up between TVCA and STDC and another between STDC and STDL.

Principal Risks

The initial risk regarding safeguarding continues to be covered by ongoing funding by HMG who are at the same time cleaning up the hazard. Land ownership has progressed during the year.

Medium term risks are of unforeseen issues when redeveloping the site, principally these would be ground conditions but there could also be a similarly small risk of items identified whilst demolition of current structures takes place.

The STDC board are confident that whilst there could be a lack of investors wishing to locate on site, this does not have a high likelihood. Discussions with various parties have progressed during the year.

Opportunities

The whole masterplan is an opportunity to enhance the local area. The creation of high quality jobs in industries which are resilient to future change should create an increase in economic activity locally and further afield.

Organisational overview and external environment

The Corporation's resource level and costs remain limited at this stage. As we progress the land ownership and commence remediation and redevelopment, greater resource will be necessary and this has been included in the MTFP. Investor interest in locating on the site has been expressed from a number of parties. The port facilities remain a key differentiator to other competitive locations.

Performance

Further progress has been made in the last year to identify ground conditions relevant to the land acquired. In addition work has been done to progress towards agreement to lease sections of the site to investors. Work has commenced on the first phase of the land acquired and a new roundabout for access.

Outlook

Near term funding has been agreed, longer term funding will come from successful regeneration of the site. Now that the first element of land ownership has been achieved, activities to get the land ready for investors has commenced.

Operational model

The Corporation's understanding of the ground conditions has continued to improve this year. We have a signed heads of term agreement with an investor and others with whom we are progressing discussions. One landowner sold their land to STDC in the year and negotiations are progressing with others, this allows the operational progression towards the next step of the process.

Basis of preparation and presentation

The near term funding has been agreed. The medium term is also expected to be adequately funded to cover the operational needs. Longer term the site will progressively move towards self sustainability. The first land purchase has been completed. Other land interests are actively being worked on and are expected to progress soon.

Group

During the year a new limited company was established South Tees Developments Limited, to hold the land and manage the estate of the purchased area. There is a loan into the subsidiary which was made during the year. The most significant transaction in the year was the purchase of land which makes up circa 50% of the STDC area. Group statements are included this year 2018/19 for the first time.

STDC Movement in Reserves Statement for the year ended 31 March 2019

This statement shows the movement in the year on the different reserves held by the Corporation, analysed into 'usable reserves' (i.e. those that can be applied to fund expenditure) and other reserves. The Surplus or (Deficit) on the Provision of Services line shows the true economic cost of providing the Corporation's services, more details of which are shown in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

	oo General Fund Balance	% O Capital n Receipts Reserve	B 00 Capital 90 Grants Unapplied	the contract of the contract o	s o o Unusable Reserves	%000% VOOO Total Reserves
Movement in reserves during 2018/19						
Balance at 1 April 2018	2,174	-	925	3,099	(2)	3,097
Total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure	1,368			1,368	1	1,369
Adjustments between accounting basis & funding basis under regulations (Note 5)	(1,522)	-	1,584	62	(63)	0
Increase/Decrease in Year	(154)	-	1,584	1,430	(62)	1,369
Balance at 31 March 2019 carried forward	2,020	-	2,509	4,529	(64)	4,466
General Fund analysed over:						
Amounts earmarked (Note 6)	1,698					
Amounts uncommitted	322					
Total General Fund Balance at 31 March 2019	2,020	•				
	% General % Fund Balance	% Capital % Receipts Reserve	OB OB OB OB OB OB OB OB OB OB OB OB OB O	op Control On Usable Reserves	sooos V Unusable Reserves	s0003 Total Reserves
Movement in reserves during 2017/18						
Balance at 1 April 2017	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure	3,097			3,097	-	3,097
Adjustments between accounting basis & funding basis under regulations (Note 5)	(923)	-	925	2	(2)	-
Increase/Decrease in Year	2,174	-	925	3,099	(2)	3,097
Balance at 31 March 2018 carried forward	2,174	-	925	3,099	(2)	3,097
General Fund analysed over:						
Amounts earmarked (Note 6)	2,102					
Amounts uncommitted	72					
Total General Fund Balance at 31 March 2018	2,174					

STDC Group Movement in Reserves Statement for the year ended 31 March 2019 South Tees Development Corporation and Group - Annual Financial Statements 2018/19

This statement shows the movement in the year on the different reserves held by the Corporation and Group, analysed into 'usable reserves' (i.e. those that can be applied to fund expenditure) and other reserves. The Surplus or (Deficit) on the Provision of Services line shows the true economic cost of providing the Corporation and Group's services, more details of which are shown in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

	% General % Fund Balance	on Capital Seceipts Reserve	B 00 Capital 9 Grants Unapplied	on Total on Usable Reserves	sooos N Unusable Reserves	sooos Reserves
Movement in reserves during 2018/19						
Balance at 1 April 2018	2,174	-	925	3,099	(2)	3,097
Total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure	599	-	. <u>-</u>	599 -	1	599
Adjustments between accounting basis & funding basis under regulations (Note 5)	(1,250) -	- -	1,584 -	335 -	(335) -	0 -
Increase/Decrease in Year	(651)	_	1,584	934	(334)	599
Balance at 31 March 2019 carried forward	1,523	_	2,509	4,033	(336)	3,696
General Fund analysed over:						
Amounts earmarked	1,201					
Amounts uncommitted	322					
Total General Fund Balance at 31 March 2019	1,523	•				

STDC Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement for the year ended 31 March 2019

The Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement (CIES) shows the economic cost in the year of providing services in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices.

	2017/18				2018/19	
£000s	£000s	£000s		£000s	£000s	£000s
Expenditure	Income	Net		Expenditure	Income	Net
212	(2,384)	(2,172)	Core Running Costs	1,636	(1,419)	217
-	-	-	Enabling Infrastructure	965	(603)	362
25	(25)	-	Development Costs	127	(127)	-
237	(2,409)	(2,172)	Cost Of Services	2,729	(2,149)	580
			Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure:			
		-	Net interest on the net defined benefit liability/asset	1	(2)	(1)
		-	Interest receivable and similar income			-
			Taxation and Non-Specific Grant Income:			
-	-	-	Non-ringfenced government grants	-	-	-
-	(925)	(925)	Capital grants and contributions		(1,946)	(1,946)
237	(3,334)	(3,097)	(Surplus) or Deficit on Provision of Services	2,730	(4,098)	(1,368)
			(Surplus) or deficit on revaluation of non current assets			-
		1	Actuarial (gains) or losses on pension assets & liabilities			(1)
			Other (gains) and losses		_	-
		1	Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure			(1)
	_	(3,096)	Total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure		_	(1,369)

STDC Group Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement for the year ended 31 March 2019

The Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement (CIES) shows the economic cost in the year of providing services in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices.

	-	2018/19	.9		
	£000s	£000s	£000s		
	Expenditure	Income	Net		
Core Running Costs	2,922	(1,935)	987		
Enabling Infrastructure	965	(603)	362		
Development Costs	127	(127)	-		
Cost Of Services	4,015	(2,666)	1,349		
Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure:					
Interest payable and similar charges			-		
Net interest on the net defined benefit liability/asset	1	(2)	(1)		
Interest receivable and similar income	-	-	-		
Taxation and Non-Specific Grant Income:	-	-	-		
Capital grants and contributions	-	(1,946)	(1,946)		
(Surplus) or Deficit on Provision of Services	4,016	(4,614)	(598)		
(Surplus) or deficit on revaluation of non current assets			-		
Actuarial (gains) or losses on pension assets & liabilities			(1)		
Other (gains) and losses			-		
Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure		_	(1)		
Total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure		_	(599)		

STDC and Group Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2019

The Balance Sheet shows the value as at the Balance Sheet date of the assets and liabilities recognised by the Corporation and Group. The net assets of the Corporation and Group (assets less liabilities) are matched by the reserves held by the Corporation and Group. Reserves are reported in two categories. The first category of reserves are usable reserves, i.e. those reserves that the Corporation and Group may use to provide services, subject to the need to maintain a prudent level of reserves and any statutory limitations on their use. The second category of reserves are those that the Corporation and Group is not able to use to provide services. This category of reserves includes reserves that hold unrealised gains and losses and reserves that hold timing differences shown in the Movement in Reserves Statement line "Adjustments between accounting basis and funding basis under regulations".

		Note		Group		STDC	STDC
		Z	3:	1 March 2019 £000s		81 March 2019 £000s	31 March 2018 £000s
Non-current assets				_		20000	20003
Property, plant and equipment		9		12,000			
Long term loan		10		-		11,273	-
Long Term Debtors		11				150	-
Total non-current assets				12,000		11,423	
Current assets				91			
Short term investments							
Debtors		12		2,756		2,602	7
Cash and Cash Equivalents		13		3,034		3,034	4,074
Total current assets			0500	5,790		5,636	4,081
Current liabilities							
Cash and Cash Equivalents						-	-
Short Term Creditors		14	-	(1,829)		(1,328)	(985)
Total current liabilities				(1,829)		(1,328)	(985)
Long term liabilities							
Long Term Creditors		15		(12,215)		(11,215)	,-
Other Long Term Liabilities		16	-	(52)		(52)	
Total long term liabilities				(12,267)		(11,267)	-
			-				
Net Assets:				3,694		4,463	3,096
Reserves							
Usable reserves:							
General Fund Balance		1		322		322	72
Earmarked General Fund Reserves		6		1,201		1,698	2,102
Capital Grants Unapplied				2,509		2,509	925
				4,032		4,528	3,099
Unusable Reserves:							
Capital Adjustment Account		27		(273)			
Pensions Reserve				(52)		(52)	-
Accumulated Absences Account		5		(13)	31	(13)	(3)
				(338)		(65)	(3)
Total Reserves:				3,694		4,463	3,096
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24th July 2019

STDC and Group Cash Flow Statement For The Year Ended 31 March 2019

The Cash Flow Statement shows the changes in cash and cash equivalents of the Corporation and Group during the reporting period. The statement shows how the Corporation and Group generates and uses cash and cash equivalents by classifying cash flows as operating, investing and financing activities. The amount of net cash flows arising from operating activities is a key indicator of the extent to which the operations of the Corporation and Group are funded by way contributions and grant income or from the recipients of services provided by the Corporation and Group. Investing activities represent the extent to which cash outflows have been made for resources which are intended to contribute to the Corporation and Group's future service delivery. Cash flows arising from financing activities are useful in predicting claims on future cash flows by providers of capital (i.e. borrowing) to the Corporation and Group.

		Group	STDC	STDC
	Note	2018/19 £000s	2018/19 £000s	2017/18 £000s
Net (surplus) or deficit on the provision of services Adjustments to net surplus or deficit on the provision of services for non-		(598)	(1,368)	(3,097)
cash movements:				
Revaluation losses		(273)	-	-
Pension Fund adjustments		(52)	(52)	-
Increase/(Decrease) in Revenue Debtors	12	2,749	2,595	7
(Increase)/Decrease in Revenue Creditors	14	(844)	(343)	(985)
(Increase)/Decrease in Provisions	15	- (11 215)	(11.215)	
(Increase)/Decrease in Long Term Creditors Increase/(Decrease) in Long Term Debtors	15	(11,215)	(11,215) 150	_
Therease, (Decrease) in Long Term Debtors		(9,635)	(8,865)	(978)
Adjustments for items included in the net surplus or deficit on the provision of services that are investing and financing activities:		-		
Capital Grants credited to surplus or deficit on the provision of services		(1,584)	(1,584)	(925)
Capital Grants credited to surplus of deficit off the provision of services		(1,584)	(1,584)	(925)
		(1,364)	(1,564)	(925)
Net english surface and analysis and interesting		(11.017)	(11,816)	(F.000)
Net cashflow from operating activities		(11,817)	(11,816)	(5,000)
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Investing activities		-		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment, investment property and intangible assets		11,273	-	-
Purchase of short term and long term investments			11,273	
Other receipts from investing activities		1,584	1,584	925
Net cashflow from investing activities		12,857	12,856	925
Net cashflow from financing activities		-	-	-
		-		
Net (increase) or decrease in cash and cash equivalents		1,040	1,040	(4,075)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		- (4,075)	(4,075)	-
		<u> </u>		
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period	13	(3,035)	(3,035)	(4,075)
The cashflow for operating activities includes the following items:				
Interest received		_	-	_
Interest paid		-	-	-

Note 1: Group Expenditure & Funding Analysis

The Expenditure and Funding Analysis shows how annual expenditure is used and funded from resources by the Corporation and Group in comparison with those resources consumed or earned by the Corporation and Group in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices. It also shows how this expenditure is allocated for decision making purposes between the Corporation and Group's directorates/services/departments. Income and expenditure accounted for under generally accepted accounting practices is presented more fully in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

	2017/18	
Net Expenditure in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	Adjustments between the Funding and Accounting Basis	Net Expenditure Chargeable to the General Fund
£000s	£000s	£000s
(2,172)	(2,100)	(72)
-	-	-
-	-	-
(2,172)	(2,100)	(72)
(925)	(925)	-
(3,097)	(3,025)	(72)
		-
		(72)
		(72)

		2018/19					
STDC	Net Expenditure Chargeable to the General Fund	Adjustments between the Funding and Accounting Basis	Net Expenditure in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement				
	£000s	£000s	£000s				
Core Running Costs	1,412	(1,194)	218				
Enabling Infrastructure	589	(227)	362				
Development Costs	-	-	-				
Net Cost Of Services	2,001	(1,421)	580				
Other Income and Expenditure	(2,251)	303	(1,948)				
Surplus or Deficit	(250)	(1,118)	(1,368)				
Opening General Fund Balance	(72)						
Less/Plus (Surplus) or Deficit	(250)						
Closing General Fund Balance at 31 March 2019	(322)						

		2018/19				
Group	Net Expenditure Chargeable to the General Fund	Adjustments between the Funding and Accounting Basis	Net Expenditure in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement			
	£000s	£000s	£000s			
Core Running Costs	1,684	(696)	988			
Enabling Infrastructure	589	(227)	362			
Development Costs	-	-	-			
Net Cost Of Services	2,273	(923)	1,350			
Other Income and Expenditure	(2,523)	575	(1,948)			
Surplus or Deficit	(250)	(348)	(598)			
Opening General Fund Balance	(72)					
Less/Plus (Surplus) or Deficit	(250)					
Closing General Fund Balance at 31 March 2019	(322)					

Note 1: Group Expenditure & Funding Analysis

Notes to the Expenditure and Funding Analysis: STDC

Adjustments between Funding and Accounting Basis 2018/19							
Adjustments from General Fund to arrive at the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement Amounts	Adjustments for Capital Purposes	Net change for the Pensions Adjustments	Other Differences	Total Adjustments			
	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s			
Core Running Costs	362	53	(1,609)	(1,194)			
Enabling Infrastructure	-	-	(227)	(227)			
Development Costs	-	-	-	-			
Net Cost Of Services	362	53	(1,836)	(1,421)			
Other Income and Expenditure from the Expenditure and Funding Analysis	(1,946)		2,249	303			
Difference between General Fund Surplus or Deficit and Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services	(1,584)	53	413	(1,118)			

Adjustments between Funding and Accounting Basis 2017/18								
Adjustments from General Fund to arrive at the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement Amounts	Adjustments for Capital Purposes	Net change for the Pensions Adjustments	Other Differences	Total Adjustments				
	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s				
Core Running Costs	-	1	(2,101)	(2,100)				
Development Costs	-	-	-	-				
Net Cost Of Services	-	1	(2,101)	(2,100)				
Other Income and Expenditure from the Expenditure and Funding Analysis	(925)	-	-	(925)				
Difference between General Fund Surplus or Deficit and Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services	(925)	1	(2,101)	(3,025)				

Notes to the Expenditure and Funding Analysis:

Group Adjustments between Funding and Accounting Basis 2018/19					
Adjustments from General Fund to arrive at the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement Amounts	Adjustments for Capital Purposes	Net change for the Pensions Adjustments	Other Differences	Total Adjustments	
	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s	
Core Running Costs	635	54	(1,385)	(696)	
Enabling Infrastructure			(227)	(227)	
Development Costs			-		
Net Cost Of Services	635	54	(1,612)	(923)	
Other Income and Expenditure from the Expenditure and Funding Analysis	(1,946)		2,521	575	
Difference between General Fund Surplus or Deficit and Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services	(1,311)	54	909	(348)	

Notes to the Expenditure and Funding Analysis:

Adjustments for capital purposes: this column adds in depreciation and impairment and revaluation gains and losses in the services line, and for:

Other operating expenditure – adjusts for capital disposals with a transfer of income on disposal of assets and the amounts written off for those assets.

Taxation and non-specific grant income and expenditure – capital grants are adjusted for income not chargeable under generally accepted accounting practices. Revenue grants are adjusted from those receivable in the year to those receivable without conditions or for which conditions were satisfied throughout the year. The Taxation and Non Specific Grant Income and Expenditure line is credited with capital grants receivable in the year without conditions or for which conditions were satisfied in the year.

Net Change for the Pensions Adjustments: this is the net change for the removal of pension contributions and the addition of IAS 19 Employee Benefits pension related expenditure and income:

For service s this represents the removal of the employer pension contributions made by the Group as allowed by statute and the replacement with current service costs and past service costs.

For Financing and investment income and expenditure – the net interest on the defined benefit liability is charged to the CIES.

Other Differences between amounts debited/credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement and amounts payable/receivable to be recognised under statute:

For *Financing and investment income and expenditure* the other differences column recognises adjustments to the General Fund for the timing differences for premiums and discounts.

Expenditure and Income Analysed By Nature

The Corporation and Group's expenditure and income is analysed as follows:

The Corporation and Group's expenditure and income is analyse	Group	STDC	STDC
	2018/19	2018/19	2017/18
	£000s	£000s	£000s
Expenditure			
Employee benefits expenses	874	874	115
Other services expenses	3,141	1,855	122
Pension payments	1	1	-
Total Expenditure	4,016	2,730	237
Income			
Fees, charges and other service income	(518)	(2)	(10)
Interest and investment income	(2)	(2)	
Government grants and contributions	(4,094)	(4,094)	(3,324)
Total Income	(4,614)	(4,098)	(3,334)
(Surplus) or Deficit on the Provision of Services	(598)	(1,368)	(3,097)
Segmental Income			
Income received on a segmental basis is analysed below:	2018/19	2018/19	2017/18
	£000s	£000s	£000s
Services	Income	Income	Income
Services	from Services	from Services	from Services
Core Running Costs	(518)	(2)	(10)
Total income analysed on a segmental basis	(518)	(2)	(10)

South Tees Development Corporation and Group - Annual Financial Statements 2018/19 Note 2: Accounting Standards That Have Been Issued But Have Not Yet Been Adopted

At the balance sheet date the following new standards and amendments to existing standards have been published but not yet adopted by the Code of Practice of Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom:

- Amendments to IAS 40 Investment Property: Transfers of Investment Property
- Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2014 2016 Cycle
- IFRIC 22 Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration
- IFRIC 23 Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments
- Amendments to IFRS 9 Financial Instruments: Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation Of these it is only IFRS 9 which covers aspects relevant to STDC and Group activities. Consideration has been given to both the current and prior years, neither year is believed to me impacted by the standard. It is not believed that the loan arrangements now in place will be impacted by the standard. All amounts are expected to be repaid in full.

Note 3: Critical Judgements in Applying Accounting Policies

In applying it's accounting policies the Corporation and Group has had to make certain judgements about complex transactions or those involving uncertainty about future events. The critical judgements made in the Statement of Accounts are:

The decision to prepare group accounts. South Tees Developments Ltd commenced activities with the acquisition of land on 22nd February 2019

Bad Debt Provision. South Tees developments Ltd trades with British Steel which has gone into compulsory liquidation. The Directors have prudently provided a 100% provision against the debt due in the financial year.

Classification and valuation basis of the land in the Group accounts. The Directors have considered the options of possible acounting treatment and have decided to show the land under Property Plant and Equipment.

Note 4: Assumptions Made About the Future and Other Major Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

The Statement of Accounts contains estimated figures that are based on assumptions made by the Corporation and Group about the future or that are otherwise uncertain. Estimates are made taking into account historical experience, current trends and other relevant factors. However, because balances cannot be determined with certainty, actual results could be materially different from the assumptions and estimates.

The items in the Corporation and Group's Balance Sheet at 31 March 2019 for which there is a significant risk of material adjustment in the forthcoming financial year are as follows:

- Pension liabilities: estimation of the net liability to pay pensions depends on a number of complex judgements relating to the discount rate used, the rate at which salaries are projected to increase, changes in retirement ages, mortality rates and expected returns on pension fund assets. A firm of consulting actuaries is engaged to provide the Corporation with expert advice about the assumptions to be applied. Sensitivities are included in Note 21.
- The valuation of the land in Property, Plant and Equipment has been informed by an independent RICS valuer who has provided a 'red book' report showing the valuation used in the accounts.

Note 5: Adjustments between Accounting Basis and Funding Basis under Regulations

2018/19	General Gooo Salance	B Capital O Receipts o Reserve	m Capital 00 Grants ø Unapplied	m Movement O in Unusable o Reserves
Adjustments involving the Capital Adjustment Account	-			-
Adjustments involving the Capital Grants Unapplied Account	(1,584)		1,584	-
Adjustments involving the Pensions Reserve	52			(52)
Adjustments involving the Accumulated Absences Adjustment Account	10			(10)
Total Adjustments	(1,522)	-	1,584	(62)

2017/18	տ General 6000 Fund s Balance	B Capital O Receipts O Reserve	m Capital O Grants o Unapplied	m Movement O in Unusable O Reserves
Adjustments involving the Capital Adjustment Account	-			-
Adjustments involving the Capital Grants Unapplied Account	(925)		925	-
Adjustments involving the Pensions Reserve	(1)			1
Adjustments involving the Accumulated Absences Adjustment Account	3			(3)
Total Adjustments	(923)	-	925	(2)

2018/19	General Good Salance	B Capital O Receipts o Reserve	n Capital 0 Grants 0 Unapplied	m Movement O in Unusable o Reserves
Group Adjustments involving the Capital Adjustment Account	273			(273)
Group Adjustments involving the Capital Grants Unapplied Account	(1,584)		1,584	-
Group Adjustments involving the Pensions Reserve	52			(52)
Group Adjustments involving the Accumulated Absences Adjustment Account	10			(10)
Total Adjustments	(1,249)	-	1,584	(335)

Note 6: Movements in Earmarked Reserves - STDC

This note sets out the amounts set aside from the General Fund balances in earmarked reserves to provide financing for future expenditure plans and the amounts posted back from earmarked reserves to meet General Fund expenditure in 2018/19.

Earmarked Reserves	ե Balance at 60 31 March 0 2018	m Transfers 6 Out 0 2018/19	տ Transfers 00 In 0 2018/19	ກ Balance at O 31 March ທີ 2019
Revenue Reserves				
Planned Activities	(2,102)	404		(1,698)
Total Revenue Reserves	(2,102)	404		(1,698)

Earmarked Reserves	ե Balance at 6 31 March 0 2017	n Transfers 0 Out 0 2017/18	ե Transfers O In 0 2017/18	m Balance at O 31 March Ø 2018
Revenue Reserves				
Planned Activities	-	-	(2,102)	(2,102)
Total Revenue Reserves	-	1	(2,102)	(2,102)

Note 6: Movements in Earmarked Reserves - Group

This note sets out the amounts set aside from the General Fund balances in earmarked reserves to provide financing for future expenditure plans and the amounts posted back from earmarked reserves to meet General Fund expenditure in 2018/19.

Earmarked Reserves	տ Balance at 0 31 March 0 2018	ក Transfers O Out 0 2018/19	ե Transfers 00 In 0 2018/19	Balance at 0 31 March 0 2019
Revenue Reserves				
Planned Activities	(2,102)	901		(1,201)
Total Revenue Reserves	(2,102)	901	-	(1,201)

South Tees Development Corporation and Group - Annual Financial Statements 2018/19 Note 7: Members' Allowances

There are no elected members of the Corporation nor the Group. It is wholly controlled by the Tees Valley Combined Authority and as such there is no members remuneration by STDC nor the Group.

Note 8: Employee Remuneration STDC and Group.

The Chief Executive was employed by the South Tees Site Company, a Government run organisation responsible for the safety, security and upkeep of the former SSI site. He left the company on 14 September 2018. His remuneration is included in the table information for that entity.

The Director of Finance is employed by Tees Valley Combined Authority.

Neither of the above received direct remuneration from STDC, however a proportion of the Director of Finance salary is recharged to STDC by TVCA and in 2018/19 this amounted to £11.461 (2017/18 £28.953)

Remuneration of the CEO's senior staff are shown in the following table.

	Remuneration of S	enior Employee	es				
Post holder information	Salary (Including fees & Allowances)	Expense Allowances	Benefits in kind	Total Remuneration excluding pension contributions 2018/19	Pension contributions	Total Remuneration including pension contributions 2018/19	Total Remuneration including pension contributions 2017/18
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Engineering and Project Director	124,583			124,583	21,179	145,762	-
Assistant Director of Regeneration	58,395			58,395	-	58,395	26,677
Senior Non Executive Director	20,556			20,556	-	20,556	-
Interim Commercial Director	41,129			41,129	-	41,129	-
	244,663	-	-	244,663	21,179	265,842	26,677

The comparative accounts reflect a part year.

The CEO left the company on 14 Sept 2018. The Senior Non Executive Director deputised for the CEO role for the period after that date.

The number of employees whose taxable remuneration, including benefits, redundancy and other severance payments, exceeded £50,000 is shown below, in bands of £5,000:

Remuneration Summary Salary Range	Number of Employees 2018/19
50,001 - £55,000	1
55,001 - £60,000	1

Number of Employees	
Employees 2017/18	
- -	

Remuneration of the CEO and his senior staff has been excluded from the salary range analysis in the table above

Note 9: Property, Plant and Equipment (STDC and Group)

	Group	Group		
	Other Land and Buildings	TOTAL	Other Land and Buildings	TOTAL
	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s
Cost As at 1 April 2018 Additions Revaluation Disposals	- 12,273 (273)	- 12,273 (273) -	- -	- - -
As at 31 March 2019	12,000	12,000		
Depreciation As at 1 April 2018 Depreciation Charge Impairments Derecognition of Disposals As at 31 March 2019	- - - - - - -	- - - - - - -	- - - - - -	- - - - - -
Net Book Value As at 1 April 2018 As at 31 March 2019	- 12,000	- 12,000		- -

Basis of classification

Land and buildings are initially recognised at cost. Freehold land is subsequently carried at the revalued amount less accumulated impairment losses. Buildings and leasehold land are subsequently carried at the revalued amounts less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Land and buildings are revalued by independent professional valuers (GVA) on a triennial basis and whenever their carrying amounts are likely to differ materially from their revalued amounts. When an asset is revalued, any accumulated depreciation at the date of revaluation is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset. The net amount is then restated to the revalued amount of the asset.

An independant valuers opinion of Fair Value was prepared in accordance with the RICS Valuation- Global Standards 2017, CPIFA Code, and the International

An independent valuers opinion of Fair Value was prepared in accordance with the RICS Valuation- Global Standards 2017, CPIFA Code, and the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and related definition of "Fair Value". This valuation has informed the revalued figure shown in the accounts. Buildings on the land are dilapidated redundant assets from a former use and therefore carry no value.

Basis of depreciation

Freehold land is not depreciated. Depreciation on other items of property, plant and equipment would be calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their depreciable amounts over their estimated useful lives, but the valuation of the land shown in the accounts allocates no value to the redundant buildings on it.

Treatment of revaluation supluses/(losses)

Surpluses on revaluation are shown as a non usable revaluation reserve, losses are recognised in surplus/deficit on the provision of services in so far as they do not reduce a previously created revaluation reserve.

Note 10: Long Term Loan

During the year South Tees Development Corporation made a loan to South Tees Developments Ltd, a company set up to hold the land, run the repurposing projects and maintain the estate management of the first section of the STDC site to be acquired.

Note 11. Long Torm Debtors - Group and STDC	Group	STDC	STDC
Note 11: Long Term Debtors - Group and STDC	31 March 2019 £000s	31 March 2019 £000s	31 March 2018 £000s
Trade Receivables	-	-	-
Prepayments	-	-	-
Other receivables		150	
		150	
Note 12: Short Term Debtors - Group and STDC			
	31 March 2019	31 March 2019	31 March 2018
	£000s	£000s	£000s
Trade Receivables	-	-	7
Prepayments	194	40	-
Other receivables	2,562	2,562	
	2,756	2,602	7
Note 13: Cash and Cash Equivalents - Group and	STDC		
note to the and the transfer of the party and	31 March 2019	31 March 2019	31 March 2018
	£000s	£000s	£000s
Bank and Imprests	3,034	3,034	4,074
Cash Equivalents	-	-	-
Bank Overdraft			
	3,034	3,034	4,074
Note 14: Short Term Creditors - Group and STDO	2		
•	31 March 2019	31 March 2019	31 March 2018
	£000s	£000s	£000s
Trade payables	-		(3)
Other Payables	(1,829)	(1,328)	(982)
,	(1,829)	(1,328)	(985)
Note 15: Long Term Creditors - Group and STDC			
	31 March 2019	31 March 2019	31 March 2018
Trade payables	£000s	£000s	£000s
Other Payables	(12,215)	(11,215)	- -
outer ruyubtes	(12,215)	(11,215)	-
Note 16: Other Long term Liabilities - Group and			
	31 March 2019 £000s	31 March 2019 £000s	31 March 2018
Dennies Previoles			£000s
Pension Provision	(52) (52)	(52) (52)	
	(32)	(32)	

Note 17: Related Party Transactions

The Corporation is required to disclose material transactions with related parties – bodies or individuals that have the potential to control or influence the Corporation or to be controlled or influenced by the Corporation. Disclosure of these transactions allows readers to assess the extent to which the Corporation might have been constrained in its ability to operate independently or might have secured the ability to limit another party's ability to bargain freely with the Corporation.

Central Government

Central government has effective control over the general operations of the Corporation – it is responsible for providing the statutory framework within which the Corporation operates, provides the majority of its funding in the form of grants (via TVCA) and prescribes the terms of many of the transactions that the Corporation has with other parties.

Members

Members of the TVCA have direct control over the Corporation's financial and operating policies. The total of members' allowances paid in 2018/19 is shown in Note 7. During 2018/19, there were no related party transactions between TVCA members and STDC.

Tees Valley Combined Authority (TVCA)

STDC was set up under the control of TVCA. The trading arrangement between these two entities results in material balances due to and from TVCA at the year end.

Entities Controlled or Significantly Influenced by the Corporation

No elected member or senior officer of the corporation sit on any board or management committee of any entities which are significantly controlled or influenced by the corporation.

Related Parties

South Tees Development Corporation was established by Tees Valley Combined Authority and is part of their overall group structure. South Tees Site Company is a Government controlled organisation who is responsible for the safety, security and upkeep of the former SSI Site. South Tees Developments Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of South Tees Development Corporation. Details of the Income and Expenditure with these organisations is set out below:-

	Gro	oup	STDC	
2018/19	Income Received £000s £000s £000s		Income Received £000s	Expenditure £000s
Tees Valley Combined Authority	-	-	-	-
South Tees Developments Ltd	-	-	-	-
South Tees Site Company	(2)	192	(2)	192
Total	(2)	192	(2)	192

2017/18	Income Received £000s	Expenditure £000s	Income Received £000s	Expenditure £000s
Tees Valley Combined Authority	-	-	-	-
South Tees Developments Ltd	-	-	-	-
South Tees Site Company	-	-	(10)	3
Total	-	-	(10)	3

The below table sets out the amounts owed to and from the corporation as at 31 March 2019:-

	Group		STDC	
2018/19	Owed by STDC Owed to STDC From £000s £000s		Owed by STDC To £000s	Owed to STDC From £000s
Tees Valley Combined Authority	11,215	2,561	11,215	2,561
South Tees Developments Ltd	-	-	-	11,423
Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council	31	-	-	-
South Tees Site Company	75	-	75	-
Total	11,321	2,561	11,290	13,984

2017/18	Owed by STDL To £000s	Owed to STDL From £000s	Owed by STDC To £000s	Owed to STDC From £000s
Tees Valley Combined Authority	-	-	232	-
South Tees Developments Ltd	-	-	-	-
South Tees Site Company	-	-	-	7
Total	-	-	232	7

Note 18: External Audit Costs	Group	STDC	
The Group has incurred the following costs in relation to the audit of the Statement of Accounts, certification of grant claims and to non-audit services provided by the Groups external auditors:			
	2018/19	2018/19	2017/18
	£000s	£000s	£000s
Fees payable to Mazars LLP with regard to external audit services	21	21	18
Fees payable to Mazars LLP for the certification of grant claims	-	-	-
Fees payable in respect of other services provided by Mazars LLP	<u> </u>		
	21	21	18

Note: There is no additional charge this year for the audit of South Tees Developments Limited ${\bf r}$

Note 19: Grant Income	Group	STDC	
The Corporation credited the following grants, contributions and donations to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement in 2018/19.			
	2018/19	2018/19	2017/18
Credited to Taxation and Non Specific Grant income	£000s	£000s	£000s
South Tees Industrial Zone Access Grant From Tees Valley Combined Authority		-	925
Development Grant for Prairie site From MHCLG	1,946	1,946	
Total	1,946	1,946	925
	2018/19	2018/19	2017/18
Credited to Services	£000s	£000s	£000s
Operating Grant From MHCLG	2,000	2,000	2,399
Development Grant for Prairie site From MHCLG	14	14	-
Total	2,014	- 2,014	2,399

Note 20: Financial Instruments - STDC

Categories of Financial Instruments

Financial instruments are recognised on the Balance Sheet when the Corporation becomes party to the contractual provisions of a financial instrument. They are classified based on the business model for holding the instruments and their expected cashflow characteristics.

Financal Assets

A financial asset is a right to future economic benefits controlled by the Corporation that is represented by cash, equity instruments or a contractual right to receive cash or other financial assets or a right to exchange financial assets and liabilities with another entity that is potentially favourable to the Corporation. The financial assets held by the Corporation during the year are accounted for under the following three classifications:

Financial assets held at amortised cost. These represent loans and loan-type arrangements where repayments or interest and principal take place on set dates and at specified amounts. The amount presented in the Balance Sheet

- represents the outstanding principal received plus accrued interest. Interest credited to the CIES is the amount receivable as per the loan agreement.
- Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI) These assets are measured and carried at fair value. All
- gains and losses due to changes in fair value (both realised and unrealised) are accounted for through a reserve account, with the balance debited or credited to the CIES when the asset is disposed of.
- Fair Value Through Profit and Loss (FVTPL). These assets are measured and carried at fair value. All gains and losses

 due to changes in fair value (both realised and unrealised) are recognised in the CIES as they occur.

Financial assets held at amortised cost are shown net of a loss allowance reflecting the statistical likelihood that the borrower or debtor will be unable to meet their contractual commitments to the Corporation.

Financal Instruments

The value of debtors and creditors reported in the tables below are solely those amounts meeting the definition of a financial instrument. The balances of debtors and creditors reported in the balance sheet a also include balances which do not meet the definition of a financial instrument, such as tax-based debtors and creditors.

The financial assets disclosed in the Balance Sheet are analysed across the following categories:

	Long Term		Short Term		
	31 March 2019 31 March 2018		31 March 2019	31 March 2018	
	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s	
At Amortised Cost	11,423	-	5,636	4,081	
At Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-	
At Fair Value Through Profit & Loss	-	-	-	-	
Total financial assets	11,423		5,636	4,081	

The financial liabilites disclosed in the Balance Sheet are analysed across the following categories:

	Long Term		Short	Term
	31 March 2019 31 March 2018		31 March 2019	31 March 2018
	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s
At Amortised Cost	(11,215)	=	(1,294)	(982)
At Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
At Fair Value Through Profit & Loss	-	-	-	-
Total financial liabilities	(11,215)		(1,294)	(982)

Nature and Extent of Risks Arising from Financial Instruments

Key risks

The Corporation's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks; the key risks are:

- credit risk the possibility that other parties might fail to pay amounts due to the Corporation
- liquidity risk the possibility that the Corporation might not have funds available to meet its commitments to make payments

Note 20: Financial Instruments STDC Group

Categories of Financial Instruments

Financial instruments are recognised on the Balance Sheet when the Corporation and Group becomes party to the contractual provisions of a financial instrument. They are classified based on the business model for holding the instruments and their expected cashflow characteristics.

Financal Assets

A financial asset is a right to future economic benefits controlled by the Corporation and Group that is represented by cash, equity instruments or a contractual right to receive cash or other financial assets or a right to exchange financial assets and liabilities with another entity that is potentially favourable to the Corporation and Group. The financial assets held by the Corporation and Group during the year are accounted for under the following three classifications:

Financial assets held at amortised cost. These represent loans and loan-type arrangements where repayments or interest and principal take place on set dates and at specified amounts. The amount presented in the Balance Sheet

- represents the outstanding principal received plus accrued interest. Interest credited to the CIES is the amount receivable as per the loan agreement.
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Financial assets held at amortised cost are shown net of a loss allowance reflecting the statistical likelihood that the borrower or debtor will be unable to meet their contractual commitments to the Corporation and Group.

Financal Instruments

The value of debtors and creditors reported in the tables below are solely those amounts meeting the definition of a financial instrument. The balances of debtors and creditors reported in the balance sheet a also include balances which do not meet the definition of a financial instrument, such as tax-based debtors and creditors.

The financial assets disclosed in the Balance Sheet are analysed across the following categories:

	Long Term		Short	Term
	31 March 2019	31 March 2018	31 March 2019	31 March 2018
	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s
At Amortised Cost	-	-	5,582	-
At Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
At Fair Value Through Profit & Loss	-	-	-	-
Total financial assets	-		5,582	

The financial liabilites disclosed in the Balance Sheet are analysed across the following categories:

	Long Term		Short	ort Term	
	31 March 2019	31 March 2018	31 March 2019	31 March 2018	
	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s	
At Amortised Cost	(12,215)	-	(1,587)	-	
At Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-	
At Fair Value Through Profit & Loss	-	-	-	-	
Total financial liabilities	(12,215)		(1,587)	-	

Nature and Extent of Risks Arising from Financial Instruments

Key risks

The Corporation and Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks; the key risks are:

- credit risk the possibility that other parties might fail to pay amounts due to the Corporation and Group
- liquidity risk the possibility that the Corporation and Group might not have funds available to meet its commitments to make payments

Note 21: Defined Benefit Pension Schemes

Participation in Pension Schemes

As part of the terms and conditions of employment of its officers, the Corporation makes contributions towards the cost of post employment benefits. Although these benefits will not actually be payable until employees retire, the Corporation has a commitment to make the payments that needs to be disclosed at the time that employees earn their future entitlement.

The Corporation participates in The Local Government Pension Scheme, administered locally by Middlesbrough Council – this is a funded defined benefit final salary scheme, meaning that the Corporation and employees pay contributions into a fund, calculated at a level intended to balance the pensions liabilities with investment assets.

STDL has no direct employees and is therefore not part of the LGPS.

Transactions Relating to Post-employment Benefits

We recognise the cost of retirement benefits in the reported cost of services when they are earned by employees, rather than when the benefits are eventually paid as pensions. However, the charge we are required to make against Corporation resources is based on the cash payable in the year, so the real cost of post employment/retirement benefits is reversed out of the General Fund via the Movement in Reserves Statement. The following transactions have been made in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement and the General Fund Balance via the Movement in Reserves Statement during the year:

	Local Government Pension Scheme 2018/19 £000s	Local Government Pension Scheme 2017/18 £000s
Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement		
Cost of Services:		
Current service cost	134	7
Past service cost	-	-
Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure		
Net interest cost	(1)	
Total Post Employment Benefit Charged to the (Surplus) or Deficit on the Provision of Services	133	7
Other Post Employment Benefit Charged to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement		
Return on plan assets (excluding the amount included in the net interest expense)	(3)	1
• Actuarial gains and losses arising on changes in financial assumptions	11	-
Actuarial gains and losses due to changes in demographic assumptions	(9)	
 Actuarial gains and losses due to liability experience 	-	-
 Actuarial gains and losses due to acquisitions 	<u> </u>	
Total Post Employment Benefit Charged to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	(1)	1
Movement in Reserves Statement		
Reversal of net charges made to the (Surplus) or Deficit for the Provision of Services for post employment benefits in accordance with the Code	(134)	(8)
Actual amount charged against the General Fund Balance for pensions in the year:		
• Employers' contributions payable to scheme	80	8

The amount included in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Account as "Re-measurements of the defined benefit liability" is ± 0.001 m.

Pension Assets and Liabilities Recognised in the Balance Sheet

Changes to the present value of the defined benefit obligation

	Local Government Pension Scheme 2018/19 £000s	Local Government Pension Scheme 2017/18 £000s
Present value of defined benefit obligation	(185)	(11)
Fair value of assets	133	11
Net liability recognised in the Balance Sheet	(52)	0

Reconciliation of the Movements in the Fair Value of Scheme (Plan) Assets

	Local Government Pension Scheme	Local Government Pension Scheme	
	2018/19 £000s	2018/19	2017/18
		£000s	
Opening fair value of scheme assets	11	-	
Interest income	2	-	
Remeasurement gains and (losses)	3	(1)	
Contributions from the employer	80	8	
Contributions from employees into the scheme	39	4	
Net increase from acquisitions	-	-	
Benefits paid	(2)		
Closing balance at 31 March 2019	133	11	

The amount included in the Balance Sheet arising from the Corporation's obligation in respect of its defined benefit plans is as follows:

Reconciliation Of Present Value Of The Scheme Liabilities (Defined Benefit Obligation)

	Local Government Pension Scheme	Local Government Pension Scheme
	2018/19	2017/18
	£000s	£000s
Opening balance at 1 April	(11)	0
Current service cost	(134)	(7)
Interest cost	(1)	-
Contributions by scheme participants	(39)	(4)
Actuarial gains and losses - financial assumptions	(11)	-
Actuarial gains and losses - demographic assumptions	9	-
Benefits paid	2	-
Net increase from acquisitions	-	-
Past service cost	0_	0
Closing balance at 31 March 2019	(185)	(11)

Local Government Pension Scheme assets comprised:

		Fair value of scheme assets	
	2018/19		
	£000s	%	
Equity investments (Quoted)	96	71.9%	
Property (Quoted)	12	9.2%	
Government Bonds	-	0.0%	
Corporate Bonds	-	0.0%	
Cash	22	16.8%	
Other Investments	3	2.1%	
	133	100%	
	Fair valu	Fair value of	

scheme assets 2017/18 Equity investments (Quoted) 79.9% Property (Quoted) 1 7.3% Government Bonds 0.0% Corporate Bonds 0.0% 11.1% Cash 1 Other Investments 0 1.7% 11 100%

Basis for Estimating Assets and Liabilities

Liabilities have been assessed on an actuarial basis using the projected unit credit method, an estimate of the pensions that will be payable in future years dependent on assumptions about mortality rates, salary levels, etc. Both the Local Government Pension Scheme and discretionary benefits liabilities have been assessed by AON Hewitt, an independent firm of actuaries; estimates for the Teesside Pension Fund being based on the latest full valuation of the scheme as at 31 March 2019.

The principal assumptions used by the actuary have been:

	2018/19	2017/18
Mortality assumptions:		
Longevity at 65 for current pensioners:		
Men	22.2	22.9
Women	24.1	25.0
Longevity at 45 for future pensioners:		
Men	23.9	25.1
Women	25.9	27.3
Other assumptions:		
Rate of inflation (RPI)	3.2%	3.1%
Rate of inflation (CPI)	2.1%	2.0%
Rate of increase in salaries	3.1%	3.0%
Rate of increase in pensions	2.1%	2.0%
Rate of Pension accounts revaluation rate	2.1%	2.0%
Rate for discounting scheme liabilities	2.5%	2.6%
Take-up of option to convert annual pension into retirement lump sum	80.0%	80.0%

The estimation of the defined benefit obligations is sensitive to the actuarial assumptions set out in the table above. The sensitivity analyses below have been determined based on reasonably possible changes of the assumptions occurring at the end of the reporting period and assumes for each change that the assumption analysed changes while all the other assumptions remain constant. The assumptions in longevity, for example, assume that life expectancy increases or decreases for men and women. In practice, this is unlikely to occur, and changes in some of the assumptions may be interrelated. The estimations in the sensitivity analysis have followed the accounting policies for the scheme, i.e. on an actuarial basis using the projected unit credit method. The methods and types of assumptions used in preparing the sensitivity analysis below did not change from those used in the previous period.

Impact on the Defined Benefit Obligation in the Scheme

2018/19	Increase	Base Figure	Decrease
·	£000s	£000s	£000s
Longevity (increase or decrease in 1 year)	191	185	179
Rate of increase in salaries (increase or decrease by 0.1%)	187	185	183
Rate of increase in pensions payment (increase or decrease by 0.1%)	190	185	181
Rate for discounting scheme liabilities (increase or decrease by 0.1%)	178	185	192

2017/18	Increase	Base Figure	Decrease
	£000s	£000s	£000s
Longevity (increase or decrease in 1 year)	11	11	11
Rate of increase in salaries (increase or decrease by 0.1%)	11	11	11
Rate of increase in pensions payment (increase or decrease by 0.1%)	11	11	11
Rate for discounting scheme liabilities (increase or decrease by 0.1%)	11	11	11

Impact on the Corporation's Cash Flows

The objectives of the scheme are to keep employers' contributions at as constant a rate as possible. The Corporation has agreed a strategy with the scheme's actuary to achieve a funding level of 100% over the next 20 years. Funding levels are monitored on an annual basis. The next triennial valuation is due to be carried out as at 31 March 2019. The scheme will need to take account of the national changes to the scheme under the Public Pensions Services Act 2013. Under the Act, the Local Government Pension Scheme in England and Wales and the other main existing public service schemes may not provide benefits in relation to service after 31 March 2014 (or service after 31 March 2015 for other main existing public service pension schemes in England and Wales). The Act provides for scheme regulations to be made within a common framework, to establish new career average revalued earnings schemes to pay pensions and other benefits to certain public servants.

The Corporation anticipates to pay £0.82m contributions to the scheme in 2019/2020. (2018/2019 £0.021m.)

The weighted average duration of the defined benefit obligation for scheme members is 37.4 years. (2017/2018 37.4 years.)

Note 22: Termination Benefits - STDC and Group

In 2018/19 there was one termination payment made to an officer (ie not a director) of the Corporation of £0.01m

2017/18 There were no termination benefits to report.

Note 23: Provisions - STDC and Group

The only provision made in the year is a bad debt provision relating to the debt due to STDL from British Steel. - This reflects the adjusting post Balance Sheet event listed below.

Note 24: Contingent Liabilities - STDC and Group

The Corporation has no contingent liabilities.

Note 25: Post Balance Sheet Events - STDC and Group

The group company South Tees Developments Ltd trades with British Steel. On 22nd May 2019 British Steel was placed in compulsory liquidation. It is therefore uncertain at this stage what amounts of the trading balances will be settled.

The Directors have taken a prudent view of the recoverability of the amounts owed and have made a 100% bad debt provision against the debt due to the company.

Note 26: Leases - STDC and Group

The Corporation and Group is required to review all lease transactions and consider whether they are operational or finance leases. STDL has leases which came with the land (both as lessee and lessor), these do not transfer the risks and rewards to the lessee, so do not qualify as finance leases. The nature of the agreements is for rents of items which could not be seen as assets e.g. pipework. Annual ongoing commitments with these leases are:

	£000s
Income	255
Expenditure	202

Note 27: Capital Adjustment Account - STDC and Group

Balance at 1 April 2018 - Revenue expenditure funded from capital under statute	2018/19 £000s	2017/18 £000s
Capital financing applied in the year: - Revenue expenditure funded from capital under statute - Capital grants and contributions credited to the Comprehensive	- 376	-
Income and Expenditure Statement that have been applied to capital financing	(14)	-
Application of grants to capital financing from the Capital Grants Unapplied Account	(362)	-
Revaluation losses on property, plant and equipment Capital expenditure charged against the General Fund balance	273 	
Other adjustments Balance at 31 March 2019	273 - 273	<u>-</u>

Note 28: Capital Expenditure and Financing - STDC and Group

	31 March 2019 £000s	31 March 2018 £000s
Opening Capital Financing Requirement	-	
Capital investment Revenue expenditure funded from capital under statute	376	-
Sources of Finance Government grants and other contributions	(376)	-
Sums set aside from revenue: Direct revenue contributions	-	-
Closing Capital Financing Requirement		

Note 29: Statement of Accounting Policies - STDC and Group

General Principles

The Statement of Accounts summarise the Corporation and Group's transactions for the 2018/19 financial year and its position at the year-end of 31 March 2019. The Corporation and Group is required to prepare an annual Statement of Accounts by the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, which those regulations require to be prepared in accordance with proper accounting practices. These practices primarily comprise the Code of Practice on Local Corporation Accounting in the United Kingdom 2018/19, supported by International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

The accounting convention adopted in the financial statements is principally historical cost, modified by the revaluation of certain categories of non current assets and financial instruments.

Accruals of Income and Expenditure

Activity is accounted for in the year that it takes place, not simply when cash payments are made or received. In particular:

- Income from the sale of goods is recognised when the Corporation and Group transfers the significant risks and rewards of ownership to the purchaser and it is probable that economic benefits or service potential associated with the transaction will flow to the Corporation and Group.
- Income from the provision of services is recognised when the Corporation and Group can measure reliably the percentage of completion of the transaction and it is probable that economic benefits or service potential associated with the transaction will flow to the Corporation and Group.
- Supplies are recorded as expenditure when they are consumed where there is a gap between the date supplies are received and their consumption, they are carried as inventories on the balance sheet.
- Expenses in relation to services received (including services provided by employees) are recorded as expenditure when the services are received rather than when payments are made.
- Interest receivable on investments is accounted for respectively as income on the basis of the effective interest rate for the relevant financial instrument rather than the cash flows fixed or determined by the contract.
- Where revenue and expenditure have been recognised but cash has not been received or paid, a debtor or creditor for the relevant amount is recorded in the balance sheet. Where debts may not be settled, the balance of debtors is written down and a charge made to revenue for the income that might not be collected.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of not more than 24 hours. Cash equivalents are highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months or less from the date of acquisition and that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant risk of change in value.

In the Cash Flow Statement, cash and cash equivalents are shown net of bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Corporation and Group's cash management.

Prior Period Adjustments, Changes in Accounting Policies and Estimates and Errors

Prior period adjustments may arise as a result of a change in accounting policies or to correct a material error. Changes in accounting estimates are accounted for prospectively, i.e. in the current and future years affected by the change and do not give rise to a prior period adjustment.

Changes in accounting policies are only made when required by proper accounting practices or the change provides more reliable or relevant information about the effect of transactions, other events and conditions on the Corporation and Group's financial position or financial performance. Where a change is made, it is applied retrospectively (unless stated otherwise) by adjusting opening balances and comparative amounts for the prior period as if the new policy had always been applied.

Material errors discovered in prior period figures are corrected retrospectively by amending opening balances and comparative amounts for the prior period.

Employee Benefits

Benefits Payable During Employment

Short-term employee benefits are those due to be settled within 12 months of the year end. They include such benefits as wages and salaries, paid annual leave and paid sick leave for current employees and are recognised as an expense for services in the year in which employees render service to the Corporation. An accrual is made for the cost of holiday entitlements (or any form of leave, eg time off in lieu) earned by employees but not taken before the year-end which employees can carry forward into the next financial year. The accrual is made at the wage and salary rates applicable in the following accounting year, being the period in which the employee takes the benefit. The accrual is charged to (Surplus) or Deficit on the Provision of Services, but then reversed out through the Movement in Reserves Statement so that holiday benefits are charged to revenue in the financial year in which the holiday absence occurs.

Note 29: Statement of Accounting Policies - STDC and Group

Employee benefits are recognised as an expense, unless the cost qualifies to be capitalised as an asset.

Post Employment Benefits

Employees of the Corporation are members of one pension scheme:

• The Local Government Pensions Scheme, administered by Middlesbrough Corporation.

The schemes provided defined benefits to members (retirement lump sums and pensions), earned as employees worked for the Corporation and its predecessor.

The Local Government Pension Scheme

The Local Government Scheme is accounted for as a defined benefits scheme:

- The liabilities of the Teesside Pension Fund attributable to the Corporation are included in the Balance Sheet on an actuarial basis using the projected unit method i.e. an assessment of the future payments that will be made in relation to retirement benefits earned to date by employees, based on assumptions about mortality rates, employee turnover rates, etc., and projections of projected earnings for current employees.
- Liabilities are discounted to their value at current prices, using a discount rate based on the indicative rate of return on the Aon Hewitt GBP Central AA Curve.
- The assets of the Teesside Pension Fund attributable to the Corporation are included in the Balance Sheet at their fair value:

quoted securities – current bid price unquoted securities – professional estimate unitised securities – current bid price property – market value.

The change in the net pensions liability is analysed into the following components:

Service cost comprising:

- current service cost: the increase in liabilities as a result of years of service earned this year allocated in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement to the services for which the employees worked
- past service cost: the increase in liabilities as a result of a scheme amendment or curtailment whose effect relates to years of service earned in earlier years debited to the (Surplus) or Deficit on the Provision of Services in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement as part of Non Distributed Costs
- net interest on the net defined benefit liability: i.e. net interest expense for the Corporation the change during the period in the net defined benefit liability that arises from the passage of time charged to the Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line of the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement this is calculated by applying the discount rate used to measure the defined benefit obligation at the beginning of the period to the net defined benefit liability at the beginning of the period taking into account any changes in the net defined benefit liability during the period as a result of contribution and benefit payments.

Remeasurements comprising:

- the return on plan assets excluding amounts included in the net interest on the net defined benefit liability charged to the Pensions Reserve as Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure.
- actuarial gains and losses: changes in the net pensions liability that arise because events have not coincided with assumptions made at the last actuarial valuation or because the actuaries have updated their assumptions charged to the Pensions Reserve as Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure.

Contributions paid to the Teesside Pension Fund:

• cash paid as employer's contributions to the pension fund in settlement of liabilities; not accounted for as an expense.

In relation to retirement benefits, statutory provisions require the General Fund balance to be charged with the amount payable by the Corporation to the pension fund or directly to pensioners in the year, not the amount calculated according to the relevant accounting standards. In the Movement in Reserves Statement, this means that there are appropriations to and from the Pensions Reserve to remove the notional debits and credits for retirement benefits and replace them with debits for the cash paid to the pension fund and pensioners and any such amounts payable but unpaid at the year end. The negative balance that arises on the Pensions Reserve thereby measures the beneficial impact to the General Fund of being required to account for retirement benefits on the basis of cash flows rather than as benefits are earned by employees.

Note 29: Statement of Accounting Policies - STDC and Group

Events after the Reporting Period

Events after the Balance Sheet date are those events, both favourable and unfavourable, that occur between the end of the reporting period and the date when the Financial Statements are authorised for issue. Two types of events can be identified:

- those that provide evidence of conditions that existed at the end of the reporting period the Financial Statements are adjusted to reflect such events
- those that are indicative of conditions that arose after the reporting period the Statement of Accounts is not adjusted to reflect such events, but where a category of events would have a material effect, disclosure is made in the notes of the nature of the events and their estimated financial effect.

Events taking place after the date of authorisation for issue are not reflected in the financial statements.

Financial Instruments Financial Liabilities

Financial liabilities are recognised on the Balance Sheet when the Corporation and Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of a financial instrument. The Corporation now has a long term creditor relating to a loan from TVCA.

Financial Assets

Loans and receivables are recognised on the Balance Sheet when the Corporation and Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of a financial instrument and are initially measured at fair value. They are subsequently measured at their amortised cost. Annual credits to the Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement for interest receivable are based on the carrying amount of the asset in the Balance Sheet. For most of the loans that the Corporation and Group has made, this means that the amount presented in the Balance Sheet is the outstanding principal receivable (plus accrued interest) and interest credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement is the amount receivable for the year in the loan agreement.

Assets are maintained in the Balance Sheet at fair value. Values are based on the following principles:

- instruments with quoted market prices the market price
- other instruments with fixed and determinable payments discounted cash flow analysis
- equity shares with no quoted market prices independent appraisal of company valuations.

Government Grants and Contributions

Whether paid on account, by instalments or in arrears, government grants and third party contributions and donations are recognised as due to the Corporation and Group when there is reasonable assurance that:

- the Corporation and Group will comply with the conditions attached to the payments, and
- the grants or contributions will be received.

Amounts recognised as due to the Corporation and Group are not credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement until conditions attached to the grant or contribution have been satisfied. Conditions are stipulations that specify that the future economic benefits or service potential embodied in the asset acquired using the grant or contribution are required to be consumed by the recipient as specified, or future economic benefits or service potential must be returned to the transferor.

Monies advanced as grants and contributions for which conditions have not been satisfied are carried in the Balance Sheet as receipts in advance. When conditions are satisfied, the grant or contribution is credited to the relevant service line (attributable revenue grants and contributions) or Taxation and Non Specific Grant Income (non ringfenced revenue grants and all capital grants) in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

Leases

The Corporation and Group is required to review all lease transactions to consider whether they are operational or finance leases. STDL has leases which came with the land (both as a lessee and lessor), these do not transfer the risks and rewards to the lessee, so do not qualify as finance leases.

Overheads and Support Services

The costs of overheads and support services are charged to service segments in accordance with the Corporation and Group's arrangements for accountability and financial performance.

Note 29: Statement of Accounting Policies - STDC and Group

Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

Provisions

Provisions are made where an event has taken place that gives the Corporation and Group a legal or constructive obligation that probably requires settlement by a transfer of economic benefits or service potential, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. For instance, the Corporation and Group may be involved in a court case that could eventually result in the making of a settlement or the payment of compensation.

Provisions are charged as an expense to the appropriate service line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement in the year that the Corporation and Group becomes aware of the obligation, and are measured at the best estimate at the balance sheet date of the expenditure required to settle the obligation, taking into account relevant risks and uncertainties.

When payments are eventually made, they are charged to the provision carried in the Balance Sheet. Estimated settlements are reviewed at the end of each financial year – where it becomes less than probable that a transfer of economic benefits will now be required (or a lower settlement than anticipated is made), the provision is reversed and credited back to the relevant service.

Contingent Liabilities & Contingent Assets

A contingent liability arises where an event has taken place that gives the Corporation and Group a possible obligation whose existence will only be confirmed by the occurrence or otherwise of uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Corporation and Group. A contingent asset arises where an event has taken place that gives the Corporation a possible asset whose existence will only be confirmed by the occurrence or otherwise of uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Corporation. Contingent liabilities and contingent assets are not recognised in the Balance Sheet but disclosed in a note to the accounts.

Reserves

The Corporation and Group sets aside specific amounts as reserves for future policy purposes or to cover contingencies. Reserves are created by appropriating amounts out of the General Fund Balance in the Movement in Reserves Statement. When expenditure to be financed from a reserve is incurred, it is charged to the appropriate service in that year to score against the (Surplus) or Deficit on the Provision of Services in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. The reserve is then appropriated back into the General Fund Balance in the Movement in Reserves Statement so that there is no net charge against Corporation and Group expenditure.

Certain reserves are kept to manage the accounting processes for non current assets, financial instruments, retirement and employee benefits and do not represent usable resources for the Corporation and Group.

Revenue Expenditure Funded from Capital under Statute

Expenditure incurred during the year that may be capitalised under statutory provisions but that does not result in the creation of a non current asset has been charged as expenditure to the relevant service in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement in the year. Where the Corporation has determined to meet the cost of this expenditure from existing capital resources, a transfer in the Movement in Reserves Statement from the General Fund Balance to the Capital Adjustment Account then reverses out the amounts charged.

VAT

VAT on income and expenditure is included only to the extent that it is not recoverable from HM Revenue and Customs.

Note 29: Statement of Accounting Policies - STDC and Group

Fair Value Measurement

The Corporation and Group measures some of its non-financial assets, and some of its financial instruments at fair value at each reporting date. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement assumes that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either:

- In the principal market for the asset or liability, or
- In the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability.

The Corporation and Group measures the fair value of an asset or liability on the same basis that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability (assuming those market participants were acting in their economic best interest).

When measuring the fair value of a non-financial asset, the Corporation and Group takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

The Corporation and Group uses appropriate valuation techniques for each circumstance, maximising the use of relevant known data and minimising the use of estimates or unknowns. this takes into account the three levels of categories for inputs to valuations for fair value assets:

- Level 1 quoted prices
- Level 2 inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3 unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

Consolidation

Subsidiaries are entities (including special purpose entities) over which the Group has power to govern the financial and operating policies so as to obtain benefits from its activities, generally accompanied by a shareholding giving rise to a majority of the voting rights. The existence and effect of potential voting rights that are currently exercisable or convertible are considered when assessing whether the Group controls another entity. Subsidiaries are consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are de-consolidated from the date on which control ceases.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between group entities are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated but are considered an impairment indicator of the asset transferred. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

Non-controlling interests are that part of the net results of operations and of net assets of a subsidiary attributable to the interests which are not owned directly or indirectly by the equity holders of the Company. They are shown separately in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and balance sheet. Total comprehensive income is attributed to the noncontrolling interests based on their respective interests in a subsidiary, even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

Property, plant and equipment

(i) Land and buildings

Land and buildings are initially recognised at cost. Freehold land is subsequently carried at the revalued amount less accumulated impairment losses. Buildings and leasehold land are subsequently carried at the revalued amounts less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Land and buildings are revalued by independent professional valuers on a triennial basis and whenever their carrying amounts are likely to differ materially from their revalued amounts. When an asset is revalued, any accumulated depreciation at the date of revaluation is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset. The net amount is then restated to the revalued amount of the asset.

Note 29: Statement of Accounting Policies - STDC and Group

Increases in carrying amounts arising from revaluation, including currency translation differences, are recognised in the asset revaluation reserve, unless they offset previous decreases in the carrying amounts of the same asset, in which case, they are recognised in profit or loss. Decreases in carrying amounts that offset previous increases of the same asset are recognised against the asset revaluation reserve. All other decreases in carrying amounts are recognised as a loss in the statement of comprehensive income.

(ii) Other property, plant and equipment

All other items of property, plant and equipment are initially recognised at cost and subsequently carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

(iii) Components of costs

The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment initially recognised includes its purchase price and any cost that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Cost also includes borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset and any fair value gains or losses on qualifying cash flow hedges of property, plant and equipment that are transferred from the hedging reserve.

Depreciation

Freehold land is not depreciated.

c) Subsequent expenditure

Subsequent expenditure relating to property, plant and equipment that has already been recognised is added to the carrying amount of the asset only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repair and maintenance expenses are recognised in profit or loss when incurred.

d) Disposal

On Disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment, the difference between the disposal proceeds and its carrying amount is recognised in profit or loss within 'Other (losses)/gains - net'. Any amount in revaluation reserve relating to that asset is transferred to retained profits directly.

Revenue Expenditure Funded from Capital under Statute (REFCUS)

Expenditure incurred during the year that may be capitalised under statutory provisions but that does not result in the creation of a non-current asset has been charged as expenditure to the relevant service in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement in the year. Where the Corporation and Group has determined to meet the cost of this expenditure from existing capital resources or by borrowing, a transfer in the Movement in Reserves Statement from the General Fund Balance to the Capital Adjustment Account then reverses out the amounts charged so that there is no impact on the level of levy.

Capital Expenditure and Capital Financing

Capital expenditure in STDL has been financed by a loan from STDC. The expenditure in the year was the acquisition of land for regenearative purposes in line with the masterplan.

REFCUS funding will be used to remediate phase 1 of the land acquired in the year.

Responsibilities for the Annual Financial Statements

The Corporation and Group's Responsibilities

The South Tees Development Corporation and Group is required to:

- make arrangements for the proper administration of its financial affairs and to secure that
 one of its officers has the responsibility for the administration of those affairs. In this Group, that officer is the Chief Financial Officer:
- manage its affairs to secure economic, efficient and effective use of resources and safeguard its assets;
- approve the Annual Financial Statements by the date specified by the Secretary of State.

The Chief Financial Officers Responsibilities

The Chief Financial Officer is responsible for the preparation of the Corporation and Group's Annual Financial Statements in accordance with proper practice as set out in the CIPFA/LASAAC Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in Great Britain (the Code of Practice).

In preparing the Annual Financial Statements, the Chief Financial Officer has:

- selected suitable accounting policies and then applied them consistently;
- made judgements and estimates that were reasonable and prudent;
- complied with the Local Authority Code of Practice.

The Chief Financial Officer has also:

- kept accounting records which were up to date;
- taken reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Certification of the accounts by the Chief Financial Officer

In accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, I certify that by signing this statement the Annual Financial Statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of South Tees Development Corporation and Group Accounts at the accounting date and its income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2019.

Lucia Gunsope

J Gilhespie Director of Finance

These financial statements replace the unaudited financial statements certified by the Director of Finance on 31st May 2019.

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Director of Finance

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Date: 31 May 2019

Date: 24 July 2019

Independent auditor's report to the members of South Tees Development Corporation

Report on the financial statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of South Tees Development Corporation ('the Corporation') and its subsidiary ('the Group') for the year ended 31 March 2019, which comprise the STDC Movement in Reserves Statement, the STDC Group Movement in Reserves Statement, the STDC Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement, the STDC Group Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement, the STDC and Group Balance Sheet, the STDC and Group Cash Flow Statement, and 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 the CIPFA/LASAAC Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2018/19.

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Corporation and the Group as at 31st
 March 2019 and of the Corporation's and the Group's expenditure and income for the year
 then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the CIPFA/LASAAC Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2018/19.

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 section of our report. We are independent of the Corporation and Group in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard as applicable to public interest entities, 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 Chief Financial Officer's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation
 of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the Chief Financial Officer has not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the Corporation's and Group'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 Chief Financial Officer is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Annual Governance Statement, information included in the Statement of Accounts, 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.

Responsibilities of the Chief Financial Officer for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the Statement of the Chief Financial Officer's Responsibilities, the Chief Financial Officer is responsible for the preparation of the Statement of Accounts, which includes the financial statements, in accordance with proper practices as set out in the CIPFA/LASAAC Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2018/19, and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The Chief Financial Officer is also responsible for such internal control as the Chief Financial Officer determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The Chief Financial Officer is required to comply with the CIPFA/LASAAC Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2018/19 and prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis, unless the Corporation is informed of the intention for dissolution without transfer of services or function to another entity. The Chief Financial Officer is responsible for assessing each year whether or not it is appropriate for the Corporation and Group to prepare its accounts on the going concern basis and disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern.

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.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception under the Code of Audit Practice

We are required by the Code of Audit Practice to report to you if:

 we issue a report in the public interest under section 24 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014;

- we make a recommendation under section 24 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014; or
- we exercise any other special powers of the auditor under sections 28, 29 or 31 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

We have nothing to report in these respects.

Conclusion on South Tees Development Corporation's arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the use of resources

Conclusion

On the basis of our work, having regard to the guidance on the specified criterion issued by the Comptroller and Auditor General in November 2017, we are satisfied that, in all significant respects, South Tees Development Corporation has put in place proper arrangements to secure economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources for the year ended 31 March 2019.

Basis for conclusion

We have undertaken our review in accordance with the Code of Audit Practice issued by the Comptroller and Auditor General, having regard to the guidance on the specified criterion issued in November 2017, as to whether the Corporation had proper arrangements to ensure it took properly informed decisions and deployed resources to achieve planned and sustainable outcomes for taxpayers and local people. The Comptroller and Auditor General determined this criterion as that necessary for us to consider in satisfying ourselves whether the Corporation put in place proper arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources for the year ended 31 March 2019.

We planned our work in accordance with the Code of Audit Practice. Based on our risk assessment, we undertook such work as we considered necessary to form a view on whether, in all significant respects, the Corporation had put in place proper arrangements to secure economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources.

Responsibilities of the Corporation

The Corporation is responsible for putting in place proper arrangements to secure economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources, to ensure proper stewardship and governance, and to review regularly the adequacy and effectiveness of these arrangements.

Auditor's responsibilities for the review of arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the use of resources

We are required under section 20(1)(c) of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 to satisfy ourselves that the Corporation has made proper arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources. The Code of Audit Practice requires us to report to you our conclusion relating to proper arrangements. We are not required to consider, nor have we considered, whether all aspects of the Corporation's arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources are operating effectively.

Use of the audit report

This report is made solely to the members of South Tees Development Corporation, as a body, in accordance with part 5 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 and as set out in paragraph 44 of the Statement of Responsibilities of Auditors and Audited Bodies published by Public Sector Audit Appointments Limited. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the members of the Corporation 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 members of the Corporation, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Certificate

We certify that we have completed the audit of South Tees Development Corporation in accordance with the requirements of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 and the Code of Audit Practice.

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25 July 2019

Appendix A

Glossary of Terms

Accruals

The concept that income and expenditure are recognised as they are earned or incurred, not as money is received or paid.

Amortised cost

The amount at which a financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognition, less principal repayments and plus or minus any unamortised original premium or discount. International Accounting Standard (IAS) 39 requires the amortised cost to be calculated using the effective interest method.

Capital Charge

A charge to service revenue accounts to reflect the cost of non current assets used in the provision of a service.

Capital Expenditure

Expenditure on the acquisition of a non current asset or expenditure designed to extend its useful life.

Consistency

The concept that the accounting treatment of like items within an accounting period and from one period to the next is the same.

Contingency

A condition which exists at the balance sheet date, where the outcome will be confirmed only on the occurrence or non occurrence of one or more uncertain future events.

Depreciation

The measure of the wearing out, consumption or other reduction in the useful economic life of a non current asset, whether arising from use, effluxion of time or obsolescence through technological or other changes.

Effective interest method

This is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset or financial liability, and of allocating the interest income or interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate in a financial instrument is the rate that exactly discounts the cash flows associated with the instrument to the net carrying amount at initial recognition.

Exceptional Items

Material items which derive from events or transactions that fall within the ordinary activities of the Authority and which need to be disclosed separately by virtue of their size or incidence to give fair presentation of the accounts.

Extraordinary Items

Material items, possessing a high degree of abnormality, which derive from events or transactions that fall outside the ordinary activities of the Authority and which are not expected to recur. They do not include exceptional items, nor do they include prior period items, merely because they relate to a prior period.

Fair Value

The fair value of an asset is the price at which it could be exchanged in an arm's length transaction, less, where applicable, any grants receivable towards the purchase or use of the asset.

Appendix A

Glossary of Terms

Finance Lease

A lease that transfers substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a non current asset to the lessee. Such a transfer of risks and rewards may be presumed to occur if at the inception of the lease the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any initial payment, amounts to substantially all of the fair value of the leased asset.

Going Concern

The concept that the Corporation will remain in operational existence for the foreseeable future, in particular that the revenue accounts and balance sheet assume no intention to curtail significantly the scale of operations.

Government Grants

Assistance by government and inter-government agencies and similar bodies, whether local, national or international, in the form of cash or transfers of assets to an Authority in return for past or future compliance with certain conditions relating to the activities of the Authority.

Inventories

Comprise the value of items held in the following categories:

- a) goods or other assets purchased for resale;
- b) consumable stores;
- c) raw materials and components purchased for incorporation into products for sale;
- d) products and services in intermediate stages of completion;
- e) long term contract balances; and
- f) finished goods.

A long term investment is an investment that is being held for use on a continuing basis in the activities of the Authority. Investments should be so classified only where an intention to hold the investment for the long term can clearly be demonstrated or where there are restrictions as to the investor's ability to dispose of the investment. Investments which do not meet the above criteria are classified as current assets.

Long Term Contracts

A contract entered into for the design, manufacture or construction of a substantial asset or the provision of a service (or a combination of assets or services which together constitute a single project), where the time taken to substantially complete the contract is such that the contract activity falls into different accounting periods. Some contracts with a shorter duration than one year should be accounted for as long term contracts, if they are sufficiently material to the activity of the period.

Net Book Value

The amount at which non current assets are included in the balance sheet i.e. the historical cost or current value, less the cumulative amounts provided for depreciation.

Net Current Replacement Cost

The cost of replacing or recreating the particular asset in its existing condition and in its existing use i.e. the costs of its replacement or of the nearest equivalent asset, adjusted to reflect the current condition of the existing asset.

Net Realisable Value

The open market value of the asset in its existing use (or open market value in the case of a non operational asset), less any expenses incurred in realising the asset.

Appendix A

Glossary of Terms

Non Current Assets

Tangible assets that yield benefits to the Authority and the services it provides for a period of more than one year.

Non Operational Assets

Non current assets held by a Authority but not directly occupied, used or consumed in the delivery of services. Examples of non-operational assets are investment properties and assets that are surplus to requirements, pending sale or redevelopment.

Operating Lease

A lease other than a finance lease.

Operational Assets

Non current assets held and occupied, used or consumed by the Corporation in the direct delivery of those services for which it has either a statutory or discretionary responsibility.

Post Balance Sheet Events

Those events, both favourable and unfavourable, which occur between the balance sheet date and the date on which the Statement of Accounts is signed by the responsible financial officer.

Prior Year Adjustments

Those material adjustments applicable to prior years, arising from changes in accounting policies or from the correction of fundamental errors. They do not include normal recurring corrections or adjustments of accounting estimates in prior years.

Prudence

The concept that revenue is not anticipated, but is recognised only when realised, in the form either of cash or of other assets, the ultimate cash realisation of which can be assessed with reasonable certainty.

Usable Reserves

Amounts set aside to meet future costs, subject to the need to maintain a prudent level of reserves and any statutory limitations on their use.

Unusable Reserves

Reserves that not available to spend; this category of reserves includes reserves that hold unrealised gains and losses and reserves that hold timing differences shown in the Movement in Reserves Statement line "Adjustments between accounting basis and funding basis under regulations".