

Priory Group Limited
Annual report and financial statements
for the year ended 31 December 2015

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Strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2015

The directors present their strategic report on Priory Group Limited for the year ended 31 December 2015.

Principal activities and review of business

The principal activity of the company is to act as an intermediate holding company.

The results for the year are set out in the profit and loss account on page 6 and the position of the company as at the year end is set out in the balance sheet on page 7.

Future developments

The future developments of the company are aligned to the strategy of the Priory Group, headed by Priory Group No. 1 Limited. The group's strategy for the future development of the business is included in the group's annual report, which does not form part of this report.

Key performance indicators

Given the straightforward nature of the business, the company's directors are of the opinion that analysis using key performance indicators is not necessary for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business. The development, performance and position of Priory Group No. 1 Limited, which includes the company, are discussed in the group's annual report which does not form part of this report.

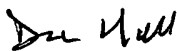
Financial risk management

The company's operations mean that it is exposed to a variety of financial risks that include the effects of changes in credit risk, liquidity risk and interest rate risk. The directors monitor the risks in order to limit the adverse effects on the financial performance by reviewing levels of debt finance and the related finance costs, however these are integrated with the risks of the group and not managed separately. Accordingly, the financial risk management policies of Priory Group No. 1 Limited, which include those of the company, are discussed in the group's annual report which does not form part of this report.

Principal risks and uncertainties

From the perspective of the company, the principal risks and uncertainties are integrated with the principal risks of the group and are not managed separately. Accordingly, the principal risks and uncertainties of Priory Group No. 1 Limited, which include those of the company, are discussed in the group's annual report which does not form part of this report.

By order of the board



David Hall

Company Secretary

13 June 2016

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Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2015

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2015.

Dividends

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2014: £nil).

Directors

The directors of the company who held office during the year and up to the date of signing the financial statements were as follows:

D Hall

J Lock (resigned 1 April 2015)

M Moran (appointed 1 April 2015, resigned 1 March 2016)

In accordance with the articles of association, no directors retire by rotation.

Future developments

The future developments of the company are discussed in the strategic report.

Independent auditors

The independent auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office.

Provision of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are directors at the time when this directors' report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as that director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware; and
- that director has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of any information needed by the company's auditors in connection with preparing their report and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

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Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2015 (continued)

Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the strategic report, the directors' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have prepared the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework" (FRS 101).

Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 101, have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Notify its shareholders in writing about the use of disclosure exemptions, if any, of FRS 101 used in the preparation of the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

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

By order of the board



David Hall
Company Secretary
13 June 2016

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Independent auditors' report to the members of Priory Group Limited

Report on the financial statements

Our opinion

In our opinion, Priory Group Limited's financial statements (the "financial statements"):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2015 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

What we have audited

The financial statements, included within the annual report and financial statements (the "annual report"), comprise:

- the balance sheet as at 31 December 2015;
- the profit and loss account for the year then ended;
- the statement of changes in equity for the year then ended;
- the statement of accounting policies; and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include other explanatory information.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework".

In applying the financial reporting framework, the directors have made a number of subjective judgements, for example in respect of significant accounting estimates. In making such estimates, they have made assumptions and considered future events.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the strategic report and the directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Other matters on which we are required to report by exception

Adequacy of accounting records and information and explanations received

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

- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

Directors' remuneration

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion, certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

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Independent auditors' report to the members of Priory Group Limited (continued)

Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

Our responsibilities and those of the directors

As explained more fully in the statement of directors' responsibilities set out on page 3, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK & Ireland) ("ISAs (UK & Ireland)"). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

What an audit of financial statements involves

We conducted our audit in accordance with ISAs (UK & Ireland). An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of:

- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed;
- the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and
- the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We primarily focus our work in these areas by assessing the directors' judgements against available evidence, forming our own judgements, and evaluating the disclosures in the financial statements.

We test and examine information, using sampling and other auditing techniques, to the extent we consider necessary to provide a reasonable basis for us to draw conclusions. We obtain audit evidence through testing the effectiveness of controls, substantive procedures, or a combination of both.

In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the annual report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.



Tom Yeates (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

Newcastle Upon Tyne

13 June 2016

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Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 2015

	Note	2015 £'000	2014 £'000
Interest receivable and similar income	3	300	293
Interest payable and similar charges	4	(2,277)	(2,229)
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	1	(1,977)	(1,936)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	5	(167)	(2,479)
Loss for the financial year		(2,144)	(4,415)

The results for the current and prior financial year derive from continuing activities.

There is no other comprehensive income/(expense) for the current or prior financial year.

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Balance sheet as at 31 December 2015

	Note	2015 £'000	2014 £'000
Fixed assets			
Investments	6	103,018	103,018
Current assets			
Debtors	7	36,449	38,593
Net current assets		36,449	38,593
Total assets less current liabilities		139,467	141,611
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	8	(70,599)	(70,599)
Net assets		68,868	71,012
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	9	250	250
Share premium account		250	250
Profit and loss account		68,368	70,512
Total shareholders' funds		68,868	71,012

The financial statements on pages 6 to 16 were approved by the board of directors on 13 June 2016 and were signed on its behalf by:



David Hall
Director

Registered number: 4433255

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Statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 December 2015

	Called up share capital £'000	Share premium account £'000	Profit and loss account £'000	Total shareholders' funds £'000
At 1 January 2014	250	250	74,927	75,427
Loss for the financial year	-	-	(4,415)	(4,415)
At 31 December 2014	250	250	70,512	71,012
Loss for the financial year	-	-	(2,144)	(2,144)
At 31 December 2015	250	250	68,368	68,868

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Statement of accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in the company's financial statements.

Basis of preparation

The company is a private limited company, incorporated and domiciled in the United Kingdom.

The financial statements are presented in sterling, rounded to the nearest thousand. They are prepared on a going concern basis and under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below, and, unless otherwise stated, these policies have been consistently applied to all the periods presented.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards, in particular, Financial Reporting Standard 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework (FRS 101) and, the Companies Act 2006 (the Act). FRS 101 sets out a reduced disclosure framework for a "qualifying entity" as defined in the standard which addresses the financial reporting requirements and disclosure exemptions in the individual financial statements of qualifying entities that otherwise apply the recognition, measurement and disclosure requirements of EU-adopted IFRS.

The company is a qualifying entity for the purposes of FRS 101. Note 10 gives details of the company's ultimate parent and from where its consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS may be obtained.

The principle disclosure exemptions adopted by the company in accordance with FRS 101 are as follows:

- Statement of cash flows;
- IFRS 7 financial instrument disclosures;
- IAS 1 information on management of capital;
- IAS 8 disclosures in respect of new standards and interpretations that have been issued but which are not yet effective;
- IAS 24 disclosure of key management personnel compensation;
- IAS 24 disclosures in respect of related party transactions entered into between fellow group companies (the company has no other related party transactions); and
- Roll-forward reconciliations in respect of share capital (IAS 1).

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRS 101 requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge of the amount, event or actions, actual results ultimately may differ from those estimates.

The company is exempt by virtue of section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirement to prepare group financial statements on the grounds that it is included in the consolidated financial statements of a parent undertaking. These financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

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Statement of accounting policies (continued)

Investments

Investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost less provision for any impairment in value.

Taxation

The tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on the taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit can differ from net profit as reported in the profit and loss account because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years, or that are never taxable or deductible. The company's liability for current tax is calculated using rates that have been effective during the accounting period.

Deferred tax is the tax expected to be payable or recoverable on differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit, and is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset is realised. Deferred tax is charged or credited in the profit and loss account, except when it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case deferred tax is also dealt with in equity.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority, and the company intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

Deferred tax balances are not discounted.

Group relief

Payment is generally made for group relief at the current tax rate at the time of first estimating the tax provision. To the extent that amendments are subsequently made to the group relief plan, there is generally no payment or receipt in respect of the change.

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015

1 Loss on ordinary activities before taxation

The remuneration of the auditors of £500 (2014: £500) was borne by another group undertaking.

2 Directors' remuneration

The costs relating to directors' services have been borne by Priory Central Services Limited, a fellow group company. No amounts (2014: £nil) have been recharged to the company in respect of the directors' services and the directors do not believe that it is practical to allocate these costs between group companies.

The company has no employees other than the directors.

3 Interest receivable and similar income

	2015	2014
	£'000	£'000
Interest receivable from group companies	300	293

4 Interest payable and similar charges

	2015	2014
	£'000	£'000
On loans from group undertakings	2,277	2,229

5 Tax on loss on ordinary activities

	2015	2014
	£'000	£'000
Current tax:		
Tax on losses for the year	167	-
Total current tax	167	-
Deferred tax:		
Origination and reversal of timing differences	-	2,479
Total deferred tax	-	2,479
Total tax charge	167	2,479

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015 (continued)

5 Tax on loss on ordinary activities (continued)

The standard rate of tax for the year, based on the UK standard rate of corporation tax is 20.25% (2014: 21.5%). The actual tax charge for the year is higher than (2014: higher than) the standard rate for the reasons set out in the following reconciliation:

	2015	2014
	£'000	£'000
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	(1,977)	(1,936)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities at standard rate	(400)	(416)
Factors affecting charge for the year :		
Transfer pricing and other adjustments	567	491
Capital gain	-	2,404
Total tax for the year	167	2,479

The standard rate of corporation tax in the UK changed from 21% to 20% with effect from 1 April 2015. Accordingly, the company's profits for this accounting year are taxed at an effective rate of 20.25% (2015: 21.5%).

A change to the UK corporation tax rate was announced in the Chancellor's Budget on 16 March 2016. The change was to reduce the main rate to 17% from 1 April 2020. Changes to reduce the UK corporation tax rate to 19% from 1 April 2017 and to 18% from 1 April 2020 were substantively enacted on 26 October 2015.

6 Investments

	Investments in subsidiary companies
	£'000
Cost or valuation	
At 1 January 2015 and 31 December 2015	103,018
Impairment	
At 1 January 2015 and 31 December 2015	-
Net book value	
At 31 December 2014 and 31 December 2015	103,018

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015 (continued)

6 Investments (continued)

The subsidiary undertakings of the company are as follows:

Subsidiary undertaking	Principal activity	Country of incorporation	Class and percentage of shares held
Direct			
Priory Securitisation Holdings Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Priory Behavioural Health Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Employee Management Services Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Care Continuums Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Sturt House Clinic Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Community Addiction Services Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Public Health Solutions Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Priory Healthcare Europe Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Fanplate Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Indirect			
Priory Securitisation Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Priory Grange (Holdings) Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Priory Grange (St Neots) Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Priory Grange (Potters Bar) Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Priory Old Acute Services Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Priory Old Grange Services Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Priory Old Forensic Services Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Priory Old Schools Services Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Libra Health Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Priory Rehabilitation Services Holdings	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Priory Specialist Health Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Jacques Hall Developments Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Blenheim Healthcare Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Highbank Private Hospitals Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Jacques Hall Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015 (continued)

6 Investments (continued)

Subsidiary undertaking	Principal activity	Country of incorporation	Class and percentage of shares held
Robinson Kay House (Bury) Limited	Dormant	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Farm Place Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Priory Healthcare Services Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Farleigh Schools Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Eastwood Grange Company Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Chelfham Senior School Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Rossendale School Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Autism (GB) Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
ZR Builders (Derby) Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Solutions (Ross) Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Solutions (Llangarron) Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Mark College Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Priory Hospitals Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
North Hill House Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Libra Nursing Homes Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary
Ticehurst House Private Clinic Limited	Non-trading	United Kingdom	100% ordinary

As at 31 December 2015, Priory Securitisation Holdings Limited, an indirect subsidiary, had a 36.998% economic interest in the partnership capital of Priory Finance Property LLP, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Priory Group. The principal activity of the partnership is to lease properties to fellow group undertakings.

The directors consider that the carrying value of the investments is supported by their underlying net assets.

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015 (continued)

7 Debtors

	2015	2014
	£'000	£'000
Due after more than one year:		
Amounts owed by group undertakings	9,299	9,299
Due within one year:		
Amounts owed by group undertakings	27,150	29,294
	36,449	38,593

Amounts owed by group undertakings due within one year are unsecured, non-interest bearing and repayable on demand. Amounts owed by group undertakings due after more than one year are unsecured and bear interest at LIBOR plus 2.25% per annum. It is not expected that the demand would be made or that these amounts will be paid within one year and accordingly these amounts have been shown as amounts falling due after more than one year.

8 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2015	2014
	£'000	£'000
Amounts owed to group undertakings	70,599	70,599

Amounts owed to group undertaking are unsecured and bear interest at LIBOR plus 2.25% per annum. It is not expected that the demand would be made or that these amounts will be paid within one year and accordingly these amounts have been shown as amounts falling due after more than one year.

9 Called up share capital

	2015	2014
	£	£
Allotted, called-up and fully paid		
500,000 (2014: 500,000) ordinary shares of £0.50 each	250,000	250,000

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015 (continued)

10 Ultimate parent company and controlling party

The company's immediate parent company, which is incorporated in England, is Priory Healthcare Finance Co Limited.

The ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party at 31 December 2015 was Priory Group No. 1 Limited, a company incorporated in England. Priory Group No. 1 Limited was beneficially owned by funds managed by Advent International Corporation which was considered by the directors to be the ultimate controlling party of the company.

On 16 February 2016 the entire share capital of Priory Group No. 1 Limited was acquired by Whitewell UK Investments 1 Limited, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Acadia Healthcare Company Inc. From this date the ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Acadia Healthcare Company Inc.

Priory Group No. 1 Limited is the parent undertaking of the largest group of undertakings to consolidate these financial statements at 31 December 2015. Priory Group No. 3 PLC is the parent undertaking of the smallest group of undertakings to consolidate these financial statements at 31 December 2015. The consolidated financial statements of Priory Group No. 1 Limited and Priory Group No. 3 PLC can be obtained from the Company Secretary at 80 Hammersmith Road, London, W14 8UD.