Glas Cymru Anghyfyngedig

Interim report and accounts

for the six months ended 30 September 2023

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Interim management report

The Directors have pleasure in presenting their management report, together with the financial statements for the six months to 30 September 2023 on pages 4 to 16.

Principal activities

Glas Cymru Anghyfyngedig is the parent company of a group of companies forming a Whole Business Securitisation and governed by a Common Terms Agreement.

The Company's immediate parent and holding company is Glas Cymru Holdings Cyfyngedig; a company limited by guarantee which was formed on 15 December 2015 and registered in England and Wales.

References to 'Glas Cymru' in these financial statements relate to the Glas Cymru Anghyfyngedig group and not the larger group headed by the ultimate parent company, Glas Cymru Holdings Cyfyngedig.

The Glas Cymru Anghyfyngedig group structure consists of:

- Glas Cymru (Securities) Cyfyngedig, the holding company of Dŵr Cymru (Holdings) Ltd and its subsidiaries.
- Dŵr Cymru Holdings Ltd, the intermediate holding company of Dŵr Cymru Cyfyngedig and Dŵr Cymru (Financing) UK plc.
- Dŵr Cymru (Financing) UK plc is a public limited company incorporated in the UK and is the 'issuer' company for the group's bonds, which are listed on the Luxembourg Bourse. The company on-lends the proceeds of any bonds issued to Dŵr Cymru Cyfyngedig.
- Dŵr Cymru Cyfyngedig is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Glas Cymru Anghyfyngedig and is the group's principal operating company. Its principal activity is the supply of water and treatment and disposal of waste water under the Instrument or Appointment made by the Secretary of State for Wales under the Water Act 1989.

Results and dividends

The loss before taxation for the six month period to 30 September 2023 amounted to £21 million (September 2022: profit of £193 million). No dividend was declared or paid during the period (2022: £nil).

Business review

The underlying loss (loss before tax excluding fair value gains on derivative financial instruments) for the six month period to 30 September 2023 was £87 million (September 2022: loss of £93 million). Revenues were higher (by £36 million) principally reflecting growth in customer numbers, consumption and price increases in the last six months. Operating expenditure (excluding infrastructure renewals expenditure and depreciation) has increased slightly by 2% to £190 million (September 2022: £186 million). Operating profit has increased by 12% to £37 million (September 2022: £33 million), reflecting the movements noted above, an increase of £11 million in our infrastructure renewal costs reflecting leakage spend, and an £18 million increase in the depreciation charge.

"Customer reserves" (the Group's regulatory capital value less net debt) now stand at over £2.8 billion.

The strong operational performance and financial position bring significant benefits to the three million people Dŵr Cymru serves across most of Wales, Herefordshire and Deeside while also safeguarding the environment as it continues with its five year £2 billion investment programme. The performance reflects the efficient way the Company is managing costs while continuing to improve services to customers.

Principal risks and uncertainties

From the perspective of the group, the principal risks and uncertainties are integrated with the principal risks of the Glas Cymru Holdings Cyfyngedig group (see below) and are not managed separately. Accordingly, the principal risks and uncertainties of that group are disclosed within the group's annual report. Management does not consider that these have changed materially during the first six months of the year. Page 15 of this report refers to risk management of treasury activities within the Glas Cymru Anghyfyngedig group.

Key Performance Indicators

The Company is part of a group controlled by Glas Cymru Holdings Cyfyngedig. The directors of Dŵr Cymru Cyfyngedig use group-wide key performance measures as indicators to the development, performance and position of the company. These are discussed in the Annual Report of Glas Cymru Holdings Cyfyngedig which does not form part of this report (available on the group's website at https://corporate.dwrcymru.com/en/library/group-annual-report-and-accounts).

Condensed income statement for the six months ended 30 September 2023

	9	Six months ended	Six months ended	Year ended
		30 September	30 September	31 March
		2023	2022	2023
		(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(audited)
	Note	£m	£m	£m
Revenue	2	462.6	426.2	841.3
Operating costs				
- Operational expenditure		(180.7)	(177.2)	(374.1)
- Impairment of trade and other receivables		(12.2)	(11.7)	(24.8)
- Other operating income		2.4	2.6	5.3
- Exceptional items	3	-	-	(30.8)
- Infrastructure renewals expenditure		(48.8)	(37.8)	(78.0)
- Depreciation and amortisation		(186.2)	(168.7)	(345.2)
Operating profit/(loss)		37.1	33.4	(6.3)
Financial expenses				
- Financial income	4	10.4	5.0	14.7
- Financial expenses	4	(134.5)	(131.6)	(318.5)
- Fair value gains on derivative financial instruments	4	65.7	286.2	160.2
		(58.4)	159.6	(143.6)
(Loss)/profit) before taxation		(21.3)	193.0	(149.9)
Taxation	5	4.0	(55.5)	25.8
(Loss)/profit for the period		(17.3)	137.5	(124.1)

Condensed statement of other comprehensive income for the six months ended 30 September 2023

	Note	Six months ended 30 September 2023 (unaudited) £m	Six months ended 30 September 2022 (unaudited) £m	Year ended 31 March 2023 (audited) £m
(Loss)/profit for the period		(17.3)	137.5	(124.1)
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:				
Actuarial gain recognised in the pension scheme Related deferred tax	5	43.4 (16.7)	130.6 (32.6)	124.5 (31.1)
Revaluation of property, plant and equipment Related deferred tax Total items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss	6 5	168.7 (42.2) ———————————————————————————————————	349.7 (87.4) ————————————————————————————————————	593.4 (148.4) ————————————————————————————————————
Total comprehensive income for the period		135.9	497.8	414.3

Condensed balance sheet as at 30 September 2023

		At 30	At 30	At 31
		September 2023	September 2022	March 2023
		(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(audited)
			Restated	Restated
Assets	Note	£m	£m	£m
Non-current assets	-	7.450.0	6 622 4	6.050.3
Property, plant and equipment	7	7,168.3	6,623.4	6,959.2 202.2
Intangible assets		196.8	188.7	
Employee benefits		38.0	52.3	12.0
Other financial assets: derivative financial instruments		5.3	8.3	4.1
		7,408.4	6,872.7	7,177.5
Current assets				F 2
Inventories		6.3	4.8	5.3
Trade and other receivables	8	464.9	425.4	650.6
Cash and cash equivalents		307.5	485.3	363.5
Other financial assets: derivative financial instruments		1.3	42.5	5.8
		780.0	958.0	1,025.2
Total assets		8,188.4	7,830.7	8.202.7
Liabilities				
Current liabilities				(605.4)
Trade and other payables	9	(450.1)	(434.7)	(685.1)
Provisions		(2.9)	(2.9)	(17.8)
Other financial liabilities:				
- borrowings		(123.0)	(97.7)	(94.7)
		(576.0)	(535.3)	(797.6)
Net current assets		204.0	422.7	227.6
Non-current liabilities				
Trade and other payables	9	(601.7)	(470.9)	(540.8)
Employee benefits		(2.4)	(2.2)	-
Provisions for liabilities and charges		(5.4)	(5.2)	(5.4)
Other financial liabilities:				
- borrowings		(4,133.6)	(4,029.0)	(4,090.9)
- derivative financial instruments		(375.5)	(359.4)	(444.5)
Deferred tax (net)		(857.7)	(845.0)	(823.3)
		(5,976.3)	(5,711.7)	(5,904.9)
Total liabilities		(6,552.3)	(6,247.0)	(6,702.5)
Net assets		1,636.1	1,583.7	1,500.2
Revaluation reserve		1,768.6	1,562.0	1,692.0
Retained earnings		(132.5)	21.7	(191.8)
Reserves		1,636.1	1,583.7	1,500.2

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements on pages 4 to 16 were approved by the Board of Directors on 10 November 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:



Mike Davis

Director

The comparators for derivative financial instruments have been restated. There is no impact on overall net assets. More information is available under note 1 to these financial statements.

Condensed statement of changes in reserves for the six months ended 30 September 2023

		Six months ended 30 September 2023 (unaudited)	Six months ended 30 September 2023 (unaudited)	Six months ended 30 September 2023 (unaudited)	Six months ended 30 September 2022 (unaudited)	Year ended 31 March 2023 (audited)
	Note	Revaluation reserve £m	Retained earnings £m	Total £m	Total £m	Total £m
Reserves at start of period		1,692.0	(191.8)	1,500.2	1,085.9	1,085.9
(Loss)/profit for the period		-	(17.3)	(17.3)	137.5	(124.1)
Actuarial gain net of tax		-	26.7	26.7	98.0	93.4
Revaluation net of tax	6	126.5	-	126.5	262.3	445.0
Transfer to retained earnings		(49.9)	49.9	-	-	-
Reserves at end of period		1,768.6	(132.5)	1,636.1	1,583.7	1,500.2

Condensed statement of cash flows for the six months ended 30 September 2023

	Six months ended	Six months ended	Year ended
	30 September	30 September	31 March
	2023	2022	2023
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(audited)
	£m	£m	£m
Cash flows from operating activities			
(Loss)/profit for the period	(17.3)	137.5	(124.1)
Adjustments for			
- Depreciation and amortisation	186.2	168.7	345.3
- Net finance income/(charge)	58.4	(159.6)	143.6
- Net tax charge	(4.0)	55.5	(25.8)
Changes in working capital			
- Decrease/(increase) in trade and other receivables	182.5	166.7	(56.4)
- (Increase) in inventories	(1.0)	-	(1.0)
- (Decrease)/increase in trade and other payables	(212.2)	(171.5)	51.7
- Exceptional item – pension increase	-	-	29.6
- (Increase)/decrease in provisions	(14.9)	(0.4)	14.6
Cash generated from operating activities	177.7	196.9	377.5
Interest paid	(37.8)	(37.2)	(149.6)
Income tax received	0.5	0.5	0.6
Net cash flow from operating activities	140.4	160.2	228.5
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest received	10.0	4.2	13.2
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(167.9)	(152.3)	(296.6)
Purchase of intangible assets	(16.7)	(4.6)	(38.6)
Proceeds from sale, plant and equipment	0.3	0.2	0.4
Grants and contributions received	12.7	23.3	30.5
Net cash out flows used in investing activities	(161.6)	(129.2)	(291.1)
Net cash flow before financing activities	(21.2)	31.0	(62.6)
Cash flows from financing activities			(50.4)
Term loan repayments	(34.8)	(31.0)	(58.4)
Payment of lease liabilities		(16.7)	(17.5)
Net cash flows from financing activities	(34.8)	(47.7)	(75.9)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(56.0)	(16.7)	(138.5)
Cash and and a minute state of the state	202.5	500.0	500.0
Cash and cash equivalents at start of period	363.5	502.0	502.0
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Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	307.5	485.3	363.5

1. Basis of preparation

Glas Cymru Anghyfyngedig (the Company) is a company domiciled in England and Wales. These condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 September 2023 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to hereafter as the Group). The Group's principal activity is the operation of water and sewerage business in the UK.

These interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting and should be read in conjunction with the Group's last annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023. They do not include all of the information required for a complete set of IFRS financial statements, however selected explanatory notes are included to explain items that are significant to an understanding of the changes in the Group's financial position and performance since the last annual financial statements. The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements are consistent with the published Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023. The Annual Report and Accounts are published on the Group's website www.dwrcymru.com and are available from the Company Secretary on request. For details of future changes to accounting standards and how these will impact on the Group please refer to the published Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023. No new IFRS standards have been issued or come into effect since 31 March 2023.

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements are unaudited. The interim financial results do not comprise the Group's statutory accounts within the meaning of Section 434 of the Companies Act 2006. The comparative figures for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 have been extracted from the Group's statutory accounts for that financial year but presented in a different format. Those accounts have been reported on by the Group's auditor and delivered to the registrar of companies. The report of the auditor was (i) unqualified, (ii) did not include a reference to any matters to which the auditor drew attention by way of emphasis without qualifying their report, and (iii) did not contain a statement under section 498 (2) or (3) of the Companies Act 2006. No events or transactions took place during the current interim period which are material to an understanding of these financial statements.

Estimates and judgements

The preparation of condensed consolidated interim financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenditure. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

In preparing these condensed consolidated interim financial statements, the significant judgements made by management in applying the Group's accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reported period were the same as those that applied to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023. The significant judgements and estimates relate to the provision for impairment of trade receivables, pension benefits, fair value estimation and capitalisation with the exception of changes in estimates that are required in determining the provision for income taxes. Taxes on income in the interim period are accrued using the tax rate that would be applicable to expected total annual earnings. The Group has reviewed assets held for any indications of impairment and has made additional provisions against trade debtors and the measured income accrual in expectation of deteriorations in cash collection.

A further source of estimation uncertainty pertains to the inflation risk premium (IRP) which has been set at 0.4% for the interim reports (March 23: 0.4%). This a significant area of judgment, with a 0.1% change expected to have an impact of increasing the obligation by circa £5m.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis as the Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Group and parent company have adequate resources for a period of at least 12 months from the date of their approval and that there are no material uncertainties to disclose.

We are the custodian of a long-term business and long-term viability is built into every aspect of our risk management and business planning processes. We ensure the continued robustness of our risk management controls and financial forecasting through regular Board challenge of our risk identification and assessment and our forecasting assumptions. These processes are ongoing and have been designed to monitor inherent and existing risks and to capture emerging risks at the earliest level.

The Directors have considered the magnitude of potential impacts resulting from uncertain future events or changes in conditions, and the likely effectiveness of mitigating actions that the Directors would consider undertaking. The financial plan has been subjected to a number of severe but plausible downside scenarios in order to assess the group's ability to operate within existing covenants and facilities. These scenarios consider: the potential impacts of increased totex costs, including a significant one-off totex impact arising in the assessment period; low and high inflation environments;

1. Basis of preparation (continued)

Going concern (continued)

elevated levels of bad debt; outcome delivery incentive penalties; and the impact of these factors materialising on a combined basis. Mitigating actions were considered to include: deferral of capital expenditure; a reduction in other discretionary totex spend; and an extension of revolving credit facilities. The Directors have also assessed the potential impacts resulting from the cost-of-living crisis and interest rates presently affecting the UK, and although they generate a negative on our financials, none of these factors pose a significant concern to disclose in relation to the Group's ability to continue as a going concern.

Reduced cash flows would impact on key financial metrics, in particular interest cover ratios. In the extreme downside scenario, gearing and interest covers retain headroom within the trigger levels specified in borrowing covenants; and whilst the reduced cash flows weaken our financial metrics, they remain within rating agencies' guidance for our current ratings. This is based on the judgement our revolving credit facilities will be renewed by the latest November 2024 next year, co-insiding with the next forecasted debt repayment, which will provide the Group sufficient cash headroom. Discussions are ongoing with lenders with favourable indicators this will not present any material uncertainties to the determination of the Group continuing as a going concern.

Having considered these matters, the Directors do not believe there are any material uncertainties to disclose in relation to the Group's ability to continue as a going concern

Restatement

The balance sheet comparators for 30 September 2022 and 31 March 2023 have been restated for the presentation of derivative financial instruments. Derivative financial instruments are now presented as a single unit of account, whereas previously multiple units of account were applied to each instrument. This has resulted in changes to the balance sheet total amounts for non-current assets, current assets, current liabilities and non-current liabilities. There is no impact on the total balance of derivative financial instruments or on overall net assets.

2. Revenue

The Directors consider that there is only one operating segment, being the operation of water and sewerage business (and peripheral commercial activities) in the UK. As the Group has only domestic activities there is also only one geographical segment; therefore, the disclosures for this segment have also already been given in these financial statements. Whilst the Group operates in a single segment, its activities can be disaggregated into the following principal income streams:

Si	x months ended	Six months ended	Year ended
	30 September	30 September	31 March
	2023	2022	2023
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(audited)
	£m	£m	£m
Regulated revenue			
Water	184.7	172.5	330.6
Sewerage	247.7	225.1	457.3
Retail	25.7	25.3	46.9
Total regulated revenue	458.1	422.9	834.8
Other (non-regulated)	4.5	3.3	6.5
Total revenue	462.6	426.2	841.3

Regulated revenue relates to the provision of water, sewerage and related retail services operating under Dŵr Cymru Cyfyngedig's licence as part of the water industry in England and Wales, regulated by the Water services Regulation Authority (Ofwat). Other (non-regulated) revenue relates to income streams which are not subject to Ofwat's price control; these principally comprise organic energy generation and certain other activities which are peripheral and/or complementary to the Group's core water and sewerage business.

3. Exceptional items

There were no exceptional costs in the 6 months to 30 September 2023. In the year to 31 March 2023, we recognised an exceptional item totalling £30.8 million. This item represents award of pension increases above a 5% cap. Under a 'best endeavours' clause in our pension scheme rules full RPI increases could only be awarded if certain criteria were met. In the year to 31 March 2023 awards above a 5% cap were paid by the pension scheme and, as the scheme is now in surplus, these conditions are expected to be paid in the future. Therefore, the expense in the year to 31 March 2023 represents the additional awards given. In the future it is expected that changes to this assumption will be presented in Other Comprehensive Income as required under IAS19. This is disclosed as exceptional in FY23 as the accounting treatment of these increases through the profit and loss account will only occur this year, it is of a significant value, and it does not closely reflect day-to-day operational expenditure. For the avoidance of doubt management will make consideration of the 'best endeavours' clause in all future periods and as such any movement in estimate will be presented as Other Comprehensive Income as required under IAS19.

4. Financial expenses

	Six months ended	Six months ended	Year ended
	30 September	30 September	31 March
a) Financial expenses before fair value losses	2023	2022	2023
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(audited)
	£m	£m	£m
Financial income	10.4	5.0	14.7
Financial expenses			
Interest payable on bonds	(51.4)	(48.8)	(54.8)
Indexation on index-linked bonds	(59.5)	(60.7)	(161.4)
Indexation on index-linked loan	(9.7)	(17.3)	(30.3)
Interest payable on finance leases	(11.6)	(4.4)	(66.3)
Other loan interest	(11.0)	(8.1)	(24.9)
Other interest payable and finance costs	(3.5)	(3.5)	(7.0)
Net interest charge on pension scheme liabilities	0.3	(1.1)	(2.1)
Capitalisation of borrowing costs under IAS 23	11.9	12.3	28.3
	(134.5)	(131.6)	(318.5)
Net financial expenses before fair value adjustments	(124.1)	(126.6)	(303.8)

b)	Fair value gains/(losses) on derivative financial			
	instruments	Six months ended	Six months ended	Year ended
		30 September	30 September	31 March
		2023	2022	2023
		(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(audited)
		£m	£m	£m
F	Fair value gains on interest rate swaps	11.0	88.8	32.1
F	Fair value gains on index-linked swaps	60.5	186.2	157.2
F	Fair value (losses)/gains on trading derivatives	(5.8)	11.2	(29.1)
	Fotal fair value gains on derivative financial nstruments	65.7	286.2	160.2

Whilst the Group employs an economically effective policy using interest rate and index-linked swaps, the hedge accounting criteria of IFRS 9 are not satisfied. Consequently, the Group's interest rate and index-linked swaps are fair valued at each balance sheet date with the net loss or gain disclosed in the income statement. Over the life of these swaps, if held to maturity, these fair value adjustments will reverse and reduce to zero. As at 30 September 2023 the

5. Taxation

	30 September 2023	30 September 2022	31 March 2023
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(audited)
Current tax	£m	£m	£m
Current tax on research and development credit	-	-	(0.1)
Adjustment in respect of prior periods	-		0.1
Deferred tax	-	-	-
Current year movements	3.9	(32.6)	46.1
Adjustment in respect of prior periods	0.1	(22.9)	(20.3)
Effect of tax rate change	-	-	=
	4.0	(55.5)	25.8
Taxation credit/(charge)	4.0	(55.5)	25.8
Analysis of amounts charged to the Statement of	30 September	30 September	31 March
Comprehensive Income and Revaluation Reserve	2023	2022	2023
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(audited)
	£m	£m	£m
Defined benefit pension schemes	16.7	32.6	31.1
Charged/(credited) to the statement of comprehensive income	16.7	32.6	31.1
Revaluation of fixed assets	42.2	87.4	148.4
Charged to the revaluation reserve	42.2	87.4	148.4
Tax reconciliation	30 September 2023		31 March 2023
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(audited)
	£m	£m	£m
Profit/(loss) before taxation	(21.3)	193.0	(149.9)
Loss before taxation multiplied by the corporation tax in the UK of 25% (comparatives: 19%)	5.3	(36.7)	28.5
Effects of:			
Adjustments in respect of prior years	0.1	(22.9)	(20.2)
Other permanent differences	(1.4)	(1.4)	(1.9)
Super deduction for plant and machinery	-	1.0	2.8
Effect of tax rate change on closing deferred tax (from 19% to 25%)	-	4.5	16.6
	4.0	(55.5)	25.8

The Group does not expect to pay corporation tax for the current year due to accounting losses and the availability of capital allowances on its investment programme.

The 'super-deduction' regime for plant and machinery expenditure ended on 31 March 2023. Therefore, there is no tax credit in the current period.

Deferred taxes have been calculated at 25% except for the temporary difference relating to the pension scheme surplus which has been calculated using a tax rate of 35% which applies to pension scheme surpluses. For the 6 month period ended 30 September 2022 deferred taxes were calculated using a tax rate of 25%, with the exception of temporary

6. Revaluation

	30 September	30 September	31 March
	2023	2022	2023
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(audited)
	£m	£m	£m
Revaluation reserve at start of the period	1,692.0	1,339.7	1,339.7
Revaluation of assets	168.7	349.7	593.4
Depreciation charge on revalued assets	(66.6)	(53.4)	(114.5)
	102.1	296.3	478.9
Deferred tax on revaluation	(42.2)	(87.4)	(148.4)
Deferred tax on depreciation charge	16.7	13.4	21.8
	(25.5)	(74.0)	(126.6)
Revaluation reserve at end of the period	1,768.6	1,562.0	1,692.0

7. Property, plant and equipment

	Freehold land and buildings	Infrastructure assets	Operational structures	Plant, equipment, computer hardware	Total
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Cost or valuation					
At 1 April 2023	42.0	3445.4	5,106.6	278.8	8,872.8
Revaluation	-	43.5	-	-	43.5
Adjustment			(5.5)	5.5	-
Additions	-	107.6	100.5	3.5	211.6
Disposal	-	-	-	(2.2)	(2.2)
At 30 September 2023	42.0	3,596.5	5,201.6	285.6	9,125.7
Accumulated depreciation					
At 1 April 2023	25.2	-	1,615.0	273.4	1,913.6
Revaluation	-	(38.7)	(86.5)	-	(125.2)
Charge for the period	0.3	38.7	130.5	1.7	171.2
Released on disposal	-	-	-	(2.2)	(2.2)
At 30 September 2023	25.5	-	1,659.0	272.9	1,957.4
Net book value					
At 30 September 2023 (unaudited)	16.5	3,596.5	3,542.6	12.7	7,168.3
At 31 March 2023 (audited)	16.8	3,445.4	3,491.6	5.4	6,959.2
At 30 September 2023 (unaudited) - historic cost basis	16.5	2,357.8	2,416.1	12.7	4,803.1

The net book value of fixed assets includes £127.7m (March 2023: £118.0m) of capitalised interest. The Board has approved capital expenditure for the year to 31 March 2024 of £436m. While not all of this amount has been formally contracted for as at 30 September 2023, the Company is effectively committed to the total as part of its overall capital expenditure programme.

8. Trade and other receivables

	30 September 2023 (unaudited)	30 September 2022 (unaudited)	31 March 2023
Amounts falling due within one year	£m	£m	(audited) £m
Trade receivables	398.4	371.9	596.9
Less provision for impairment of receivables	(75.9)	(71.2)	(73.2)
Trade receivables - net	322.5	300.7	523.7
Prepayments	30.9	28.7	22.6
Accrued income	99.9	85.4	86.4
Other receivables	11.6	10.6	17.8
	464.9	425.4	650.6

9. Trade and other payables

	30 September	30 September	31 March
	2023	2022	2023
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(audited)
	£m	£m	£m
Current			
Trade payables	54.7	46.6	64.2
Capital payables	32.9	34.0	56.1
Other taxation and social security	4.1	3.8	3.6
Accruals	346.0	341.2	548.8
Deferred income	12.4	9.1	12.4
	450.1	434.7	685.1
Non-current			
Deferred income	601.7	470.9	540.8

10. Analysis and reconciliation of net debt

Net debt is defined as the value of cash and cash equivalents less net accrued interest and total borrowings.

 a) Net debt at the balance sheet date may be analysed as: 	30 September 2023	30 September 2022	31 March 2023
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(audited)
	£m	£m	£m
Cash and cash equivalents	307.5	485.3	363.5
Debt due after one year	(3,713.3)	(3,610.7)	(3,693.7)
Debt due within one year	(78.5)	(59.8)	(63.5)
Lease liabilities	(378.1)	(379.0)	(378.1)
Accrued interest	(86.7)	(77.4)	(50.3)
	(4,256.6)	(4,126.9)	(4,185.6)

Net debt	(3,949.1)	(3,641.6)	(3,822.1)
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10. Analysis and reconciliation of net debt

b) The movement in net debt during the period may be summarised as:	30 September 2023	30 September 2022	31 March 2023
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(audited)
	£m	£m	£m
Net debt at start of period	(3,822.1)	(3,564.5)	(3,564.5)
Movement in net cash	(56.0)	(16.7)	(138.5)
Movement in debt arising from cash flows	34.6	47.2	75.9
Movement in net debt arising from cash flows	(21.4)	30.5	(62.6)
Movement in accrued interest	(36.4)	(29.6)	(2.5)
Indexation of index-linked debt	(69.2)	(78.0)	(192.5)
Movement in net debt during the period	(127.0)	(77.1)	(257.6)
Net debt at end of period	(3,949.1)	(3,641.6)	(3,822.1)

11. Financial risk management and financial instruments

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including fair value interest rate risk, cash flow interest rate risk and price risk), credit risk and liquidity risk.

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements do not include all financial risk management information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements; they should be read in conjunction with the group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023. There have been no changes in the risk management department or in any risk management policies since the year end.

In accordance with IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement trading and treasury derivatives of the group are categorised into different levels:

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

All of the Group's treasury derivatives are categorised at Level 2. Trading derivatives relating to power price hedges are categorised as Level 2 where market to market valuation are received for these trades. Where market to market valuations are not received, the fair values are estimated rather than observable and are therefore categorised as Level 3. As at 30 September 2023, the fair values of derivatives were as follows:

Level 2:

- **Assets**: trading derivatives £4.1m, treasury derivatives £2.5m (March 2023: trading derivatives £9.9m, treasury derivatives £nil).
- **Liabilities**: trading derivatives £nil, treasury derivatives £375.5 (March 2023: trading derivatives £nil, treasury derivatives £444.5m).

11. Financial risk management and financial instruments (continued)

Trading derivatives relate to power hedges and treasury derivatives relate to interest rate swap contracts; all are recorded on the balance sheet at fair value.

Level 2 debt instruments are valued using a discounted cash flow approach, which discount the contractual cash flows using discount rates derived from observable market prices of other quoted debt instruments of the counterparties.

Level 3 debt instrument are valued using a discounted cash flow approach, which discounts the contractual cash flows using discount rates derived from observable market prices of other quoted debt instruments of the counterparties. Level 3 debt instruments are valued by comparing valuations from Level 2 trades for the same periods, with the valuations from observable trades being inflated or deflated to allow for any fixed price variations.