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# **GRANITESHARES FINANCIAL PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY**

ANNUAL REPORT AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

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# DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

The directors present the Directors' Report and the audited financial statements of GraniteShares Financial Public Limited Company (the "Company") for the financial year ended 30 June 2020.

# PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND BUSINESS REVIEW

The Company is a public limited company, incorporated in Ireland on 17 July 2017, in accordance with the laws of Ireland with a registration number 608059.

The Company has been formed for the purpose of issuing collateralised exchange traded products ("ETP Securities" or ("ETPs")) and entering into a fully funded Swap agreements. Commercial activity commenced in September 2019 with the ETP Securities initially listed on the London Stock Exchange for trading on the secondary market.

The Company established a Collateralised ETP Securities Programme under which the Company issues, on an ongoing basis, collateralised exchange traded products of different classes (each a "Class") linked into indices providing exposure to a range of asset classes including equities, commodities, fixed income and currencies. The ETP Securities may have long or short, leveraged or unleveraged, exposure to the daily performance of the referenced index.

Each Class constitutes limited recourse obligations of the Company, secured on and payable solely from the assets constituting the ETP Securities in respect of such Class. Each Class of ETP Securities may comprise one or more tranches.

The ETP Securities have been listed for trading on the London Stock Exchange and applications may be made to the other European Stock Exchanges. The Company uses the net proceeds of the issuance of the ETP Securities to enter into Total Return Swap Transactions ("TRSs") to hedge its payment obligations in respect of each Class of the ETP with one or more Swap Providers once the Swap Provider has delivered eligible collateral. The TRS for each Class of ETP Securities will produce cash flows to service all of the Company's payment obligations in respect of that Class.

As at financial year ended 30 June 2020, there were 22 ETPs in issuance (2019: none). The purchases over the financial year amounted to €14,654,740 (2019: NIL) with sales of €11,141,145 (2019:NIL).

Cash flows are a result of subscriptions and redemptions of ETP securities and expenses incurred. A movement on collateral does not generate a cash flow. The proceeds of the issuance of a tranche of ETP Securities of a Class will be paid by the Company to one or more of the Swap Providers with whom the Company has entered by the Company in relation that Class in proportion to the increase in the number of ETP Securities of that Class then outstanding.

The Company's payment obligations in respect of the ETP Securities of a Class will be covered entirely from payments received by the Company from the Swap Providers in respect of such TRS. Pursuant to the terms of each credit support document, the Company will be obliged to pay amounts equal to each distribution made on collateral held by it to the relevant Swap Provider upon receipt.

The ETP Securities do not bear interest at a prescribed rate. The return (if any) on the ETP Securities shall be calculated in accordance with the redemption provisions. The Classes of ETP Securities are disclosed in note 11.

There were no acquisitions of own shares by the Company during the financial year (2019:NIL).

The Company does not have any branches.

The principal financial risks and uncertainties facing the Company during the financial year relate to the financial instruments held by it and are set out in note 14 to the financial statements and the Company expects the nature of these risks and uncertainties to remain the same for the foreseeable future.

The directors have also considered the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the Company's business and ability to continue as outlined in the going concern and post balance sheet events sections of the Directors' Report and financial statements.

# FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The plan for the foreseeable future is to continue with the issuance of ETPs under the programme mentioned above.

# DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# **RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS**

The results for the financial year and the Company's financial position at the end of the financial year are set out on page 13 and 14, respectively. Profit on ordinary activities before taxation amounted to  $\leq 1,000$  (2019:  $\leq nil$ ). The corporation tax charge for the financial year is  $\leq 250$  (2019:  $\leq nil$ ).

No dividends were recommended to be paid for the financial year ended 30 June 2020 (2019: €nil).

	Financial year ended 30 June 2020	Financial period ended 30 June 2019
	EUR	EUR
Key performance indicators		
<ul> <li>(a) Net losses on financial assets at FVTPL</li> <li>(b) Net gains on financial liabilities at FVTPL</li> <li>(c) Financial assets at FVTPL</li> <li>(d) Financial liabilities at FVTPL</li> </ul>	(1,353,584) 1,353,584 2,160,011 (2,160,011)	- - -

# PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

Pursuant to the European Referendum Act 2015, a referendum on the United Kingdom's membership of the European Union ("EU") was held on 23 June 2016 with the majority voting to leave the EU. The United Kingdom ("UK") was originally expected to leave the EU (referred to as "Brexit") on 29 March 2019. The UK decided to finally leave the EU and is now on transitionary period until the end of 2020. Such an exit from the EU would be unprecedented, and it is currently unclear what the UK's trading relationship with the EU will be after Brexit. It can be assumed that that there will be changes to the current UK trading relationships and the UK legal and regulatory environment. These changes may impact how the Company conduct their business across Europe and how the funds are distributed. This uncertainty could impact the broader global economy, including reducing investor confidence and driving volatility.

Deteriorating business, consumer or investor confidence arising from Brexit or the uncertainty around Brexit lead to (i) reduced levels of business activity (ii) higher levels of default rates and impairment; and (iii) mark to market losses in trading portfolios resulting from changes in credit ratings, share prices and solvency of counterparties.

The operations of the Company are subject to various risks. Information about the financial risk management objectives and policies of the Company, along with exposure of the Company to market risk, concentration risk and operational risk are disclosed in note 14 to the audited financial statements. See note 18 regarding the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

# **GOING CONCERN**

The Company began trading in the second half of 2019. The nature of the Company's business dictates that the outstanding ETPs may be redeemed at any time by any authorised participant who has entered into an authorised participant agreement with the Company. As the redemption of ETPs will coincide with the sale of an equal amount of the TRs, no liquidity risk is considered to arise. The Company has entered into its primary service contracts with service providers on a non-recourse basis and these costs are being met by GraniteShares Jersey Limited. Therefore, the directors consider it appropriate to prepare the audited financial statements under the going concern basis.

In making this assessment the directors have considered the potential impact of COVID-19 on the Company's business, as set out in note 18.

# DIRECTORS AND COMPANY SECRETARY

The directors and the company secretary are listed on page 2. The directors and the company secretary had no material interest in any contract of significance in relation to the business of the Company. The directors and company secretary who held office on 30 June 2020 did not hold any shares, debentures or loan stock of the Company on that date or during the financial year (2019: same).

# DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# **POWERS OF DIRECTORS**

The Board is responsible for managing the business affairs of the Company in accordance with the Company's Constitution. The directors may delegate certain functions to TMF Administration Services Limited (the "Administrator") and other parties, subject to the supervision and direction of the directors.

# DIRECTORS' COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

The directors, in accordance with Section 225(2) (a) of the Companies Act 2014 (the "Act"), acknowledge that they are responsible for securing the Company's compliance with its relevant obligations. Relevant obligations, in the context of the Company, are the Company's obligations under:

(a) the Act, where a breach of the obligations would be a category 1 or category 2 offence;

(b) the Act, where a breach of the obligation would be a serious Market Abuse or Prospectus offence; and (c) tax law.

Pursuant to Section 225(2) (b) of the Act, the directors confirm that:

(i) a compliance policy statement has been drawn up as required by Section 225(3)(a) of the Act setting out the Company's policies (that, in the directors' opinion, are appropriate to the Company) respecting compliance by the Company with its relevant obligations;

(ii) appropriate arrangements and structures have been put in place that, in their opinion, secure material compliance with the Company's relevant obligation, and

(iii) a review has been conducted, in the financial year, of the arrangements and structures referred to in paragraph (ii)

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

The directors have established processes regarding internal controls and risk management systems to ensure effective oversight of the financial reporting process. These include appointing the Administrator to maintain the accounting records of the Company. The Administrator is contractually obliged to maintain adequate accounting records and to that end the Administrator performs reconciliations of its records to those of the Arranger. The Administrator is also contractually obliged to prepare the annual report including financial statements for review and approval by the directors. The directors evaluate and discuss significant accounting and reporting issues as the need arises.

From time to time the directors also examine and evaluate the Administrator's financial accounting and reporting routines and monitor and evaluate the external auditors' performance, qualifications and independence. The Administrator has operating responsibility for internal control in relation to the financial reporting process and reports to the directors. The directors are responsible for assessing the risk of irregularities whether caused by fraud or error in financial reporting and ensuring the processes are in place for the timely identification of internal and external matters with a potential effect on financial reporting. The directors have also put in place processes to identify changes in accounting rules and recommendations and to ensure that these changes are accurately reflected in the Company's financial statements.

The Administrator is contractually obliged to design and maintain control structures to manage the risks which the directors judge to be significant for internal control over financial reporting. These control structures include appropriate segregation of responsibilities and specific control activities aimed at detecting or preventing the risk of significant deficiencies in financial reporting for every significant account in the financial statements and the related notes in the Company's financial statements. The directors delegate the asset valuation function to the Arranger who operates a sophisticated system of controls to ensure appropriate valuation. All the values for the financial instruments held by the Company have been provided by the Arranger and in our opinion, they are the most appropriate and reliable source of such fair values in its capacity as Arranger. We are satisfied that the amounts as stated in the Company's financial statements represent a reasonable approximation of those values.

The Company's policies and the directors' instructions with relevance for financial reporting are updated and communicated via appropriate channels, such as e-mail, correspondence and meetings to ensure that all financial reporting information requirements are met in a complete and accurate manner. The directors have an annual process to ensure that appropriate measures are taken to consider and address any shortcomings identified and measures recommended by the independent auditors. Given the contractual obligations of the Administrator, the directors have concluded that there is currently no need for the Company to have a separate audit committee or internal audit function in order for the directors to perform effective monitoring and oversight of the internal controls and risk management systems of the Company in relation to the financial reporting process. Therefore, the Company has taken the exemption available for Section 110 companies as set out under Section 1551 of the Companies Act 2014 S 11 (c) not to have a a separate audit committee.

No director has a significant direct or indirect holding of securities in the Company. No person has any special rights of control over the Company's share capital. There are no restrictions on voting rights.

# DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)**

The directors are responsible for managing the business affairs of the Company in accordance with the Company Constitution. The directors may delegate certain functions to the Administrator and other parties, subject to the supervision and direction by the directors. The Board consists of three directors.

# ACCOUNTING RECORDS

The directors are responsible for ensuring that adequate accounting records, as outlined in Section 281 to 285 of the Companies Act 2014, are kept by the Company. The measures are taken by the directors to ensure compliance with the Company's obligation to keep adequate accounting records are the use of appropriate systems and procedures and ensuring that a competent service provider is responsible for the preparation and maintenance of the accounting records. The accounting records are kept at the Company's registered office at 3rd Floor, Kilmore House, Park Lane, Spencer Dock, Dublin 1, D01 YE64, Ireland.

# SHAREHOLDERS' MEETINGS

The shareholder's rights and the operations of the shareholders meetings are defined in the Company's Constitution and complies with the Companies Act 2014.

# **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The related party transactions in relation to the Company are disclosed in note 16.

#### SIGNIFICANT SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The significant subsequent events in relation to the Company are disclosed in note 17.

# POLITICAL DONATIONS

The Company did not make any political donations during the financial year (2019: nil).

#### **RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT**

The Company did not engage in any research and development activity during the financial year (2019: nil).

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

Grant Thornton, Chartered Accountants and Statutory Audit Firm, were appointed during the period as independent auditor for the Company and will continue in office in accordance with section 383(2) of the Companies Act 2014.

#### **RELEVANT AUDIT INFORMATION**

The directors believe that they have taken all the steps necessary to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and have established that the Company's statutory auditor is aware of that information. In so far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's statutory auditor is aware.

This report was approved by the Board on 22 October 2020 and signed on its behalf by:

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Jason Lee Director

Romira Hoxha Director

# STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

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

Irish company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law, they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union and applicable Irish law.

Under Irish company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Company and of its profit or loss for that financial year and otherwise comply with Companies Act 2014. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether they have been prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union;
- assess the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern; and
- use the going concern basis of accounting, unless they either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative, but to do so.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2014. They are responsible for such internal controls as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the Company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities. The directors are also responsible for preparing a Directors' Report that complies with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

This report was approved by the Board on 22 October 2020 and signed on its behalf by:

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Jason Lee Director

Romira Hoxha Director

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF GRANITESHARES FINANCIAL PLC

# Report on the audit of the financial statements

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of GraniteShares Financial Plc (or the "Company"), which comprise of the Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Statement of Financial Position, the Statement of Changes in Equity, the Statement of Cash Flows for the financial year ended 30 June 2020 and the related notes to the financial statements, including the summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in the preparation of the financial statements is Irish law and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union.

In our opinion, the Company's financial statements:

- give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Company as at 30 June 2020 and of its financial performance and cash flows for the financial year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (Ireland) ('ISAs (Ireland)') and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Responsibilities of the auditor for the audit of the financial statements' section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Ireland, namely the Irish Auditing and Accounting Supervisory Authority (IAASA) Ethical Standard concerning the integrity, objectivity and independence of the auditor, and the ethical pronouncements established by Chartered Accountants Ireland, applied as determined to be appropriate in the circumstances for the entity. 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 (Ireland) require us to report to you where:
   the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate;
  - or
     the Directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the Company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

#### **Key audit matters**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period and include the most significant assessed risks of material misstatement (whether or not due to fraud) we identified, including those which had the greatest effect on: the overall audit strategy, the allocation of resources in the audit, and the directing of efforts of the engagement team. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and therefore we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

#### Overall audit strategy

We designed our audit by determining materiality and assessing the risks of material misstatement in the financial statements. In particular, we looked at where the Directors made subjective judgements, for example, the selection of pricing sources to value the investment portfolio. We also addressed the risk of management override of internal controls, including evaluating whether there was any evidence of potential bias that could result in a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

Based on our considerations as set out below, our audit areas of focus included:

- Valuation of financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss
- Existence of financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

# How we tailored the audit scope

The Company is a public limited company and qualifies for the regime contained in Section 110 of the Irish Taxes Consolidation Act, 1997. The Company has listed exchange traded products ("ETP Securities" or ("ETPs")) on the London Stock Exchange. The Directors control the affairs of the Company and they are responsible for the overall investment policy, which they determined. The Company engages TMF Management (Ireland) Limited (or the "Administrator") to manage certain duties and responsibilities including the maintenance of the accounting records. The financial statements, which remain the responsibility of the Directors, are prepared on their behalf by the Administrator.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF GRANITESHARES FINANCIAL PLC (continued)

# Key audit matters (continued)

#### How we tailored the audit scope (continued)

We tailored the scope of our audit taking into account the types of investments within the Company, the involvement of third party service providers, the accounting processes and controls, and the industry in which the Company operates.

In establishing the overall approach to our audit we assessed the risk of material misstatement at a Company level, taking into account the nature, likelihood and potential magnitude of any misstatement. As part of our risk assessment, we considered the Company's interaction with the Administrator, and we assessed the control environment in place at the Administrator.

#### Materiality and audit approach

The scope of our audit is influenced by our application of materiality. We set certain quantitative thresholds for materiality. These, together with qualitative considerations, helped us to determine the scope of our audit and the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures and to evaluate the effect of misstatements, both individually and on the financial statements as a whole.

Based on our professional judgement, we determined materiality for the Company as follows: 1% of Total Assets at 30 June 2020. We considered Total Assets to be the most appropriate benchmark on which to base our materiality, based on the activities of the Company and the significance of the assets they hold.

We agreed with the Directors that we would report to them misstatements identified during our audit above 5% of materiality as well as misstatements below that amount that, in our view, warranted reporting for qualitative reasons.

#### Significant matters identified

The risks of material misstatement that had the greatest effect on our audit, including the allocation of our resources and effort, are set out below as significant matters together with an explanation of how we tailored our audit to address these specific areas in order to provide an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. This is not a complete list of all risks identified by our audit.

#### Valuation of financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

Description of significant matter	Audit response to significant matter
Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss represent a principal element of the financial statements. There is a risk that the financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss included in the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2020 are not valued at fair value in line with IFRS.	<ul> <li>The following audit work has been performed to address the risks:</li> <li>Held discussions with management and conducted a walkthrough to gain an understanding of the valuation of the Total Return Swap Transactions ("TRSs") and ETP Securities;</li> <li>Independently verified the inputs of the valuation of the TRSs to Bloomberg and compared these to the inputs used by management;</li> <li>Independently verified the valuation of the ETP Securities to Bloomberg and compared these to the inputs used by management; and</li> <li>Recalculated the fair value movement to determine that the balance in the financial statements is reasonable.</li> </ul>

#### Existence of financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

Description of significant matter	Audit response to significant matter
Financial assets and liabilities at fair value	The following audit work has been performed to address the risks:
through profit or loss represent a principal element of the financial statements. We considered the risk that the TRSs and ETP Securities included in the Statement of Financial Position did not exist or that they were not held in the Company's name at the financial year end, which could result in a material	<ul> <li>Obtained direct independent confirmation of the existence of the TRSs from the Company's Swap counterparty, agreeing the amounts held to the accounting records; and</li> <li>Obtained direct independent confirmation of the existence of the ETP Securities from The Bank of New York, agreeing the amounts held to the accounting records.</li> </ul>
misstatement.	Our planned audit procedures were completed without material exception.

Notes 2, 8, 11 and 14 to the financial statements detailed the accounting policies, valuation and existence of the financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss held by the Company at the financial year-end and financial risk management, respectively.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF GRANITESHARES FINANCIAL PLC (continued)

#### **Other matter**

The financial statements of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2019, were audited by another auditor who expressed an unmodified opinion on those statements on 12 August 2019.

#### **Other information**

Other information comprises information included in the annual report, including Directors' report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Directors are responsible for the other information. 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 in the financial statements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Matters on which we were requested to report by the Companies Act 2014

- We have obtained all the information and explanations which we consider necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- In our opinion the accounting records of the Company were sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited.
- The financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records.
- In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements. Based solely on the work undertaken in the course of our audit, in our opinion, the Directors' Report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

Based on our knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Directors' Report.

Under the Companies Act 2014, we are required to report to you if, in our opinion, the disclosures of Directors' remuneration and transactions specified by section 305 to 312 of that Act have not been made. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

# **Corporate governance statement**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of our audit of the financial statements, the description of the main features of the internal control and risk management systems in relation to the financial reporting process included in the Corporate Governance Statement, is consistent with the financial statements and has been prepared in accordance with section 1373(2)(c) of the Companies Act 2014.

Based on our knowledge and understanding of the Company and its environment obtained in the course of our audit of the financial statements, we have not identified material misstatements in the description of the main features of the internal control and risk management systems in relation to the financial reporting process included in the Corporate Governance Statement.

We have nothing to report having performed our review.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF GRANITESHARES FINANCIAL PLC (continued)

# Responsibilities of management and those charged with governance for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' responsibilities, the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union, and for such internal control as they determine necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

#### Responsibilities of the auditor for the audit of the financial statements

The auditor's 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 their opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (Ireland) 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.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (Ireland), the auditor will exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. The auditor will also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for their opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.
- Obtain an understanding of internal controls relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal controls.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If they conclude that a material uncertainty exists, they are required to draw attention in the auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify their opinion. Their conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of the auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves a true and fair view.

The auditor communicates with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that may be identified during the audit.

The auditor also provides those charged with governance with a statement that they have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on their independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, the auditor determines those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. These matters are described in the auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, the auditor determines that a matter should not be communicated in the report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

# The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities

This report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with section 391 of the Companies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF GRANITESHARES FINANCIAL PLC (continued)

#### Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

We were appointed by the Board of Directors on 6 August 2020 to audit the financial statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2020. This is the first year we have been engaged to audit the financial statements of the Company.

We are responsible for obtaining reasonable assurance that the financial statements taken as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that material misstatements of the financial statements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with the ISAs (Ireland). Our audit approach is a risk-based approach and is explained more fully in the 'Responsibilities of the auditor for the audit of the financial statements' section of our report.

We have not provided non-audit services prohibited by the IAASA's Ethical Standard and have remained independent of the entity in conducting the audit.

Date: 22 October 2020

David Lynch For and on behalf of **Grant Thornton** Chartered Accountants & Statutory Audit Firm 13-18 City Quay Dublin 2

# STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

	Notes	Financial year ended 30 June 2020 €	Financial year ended 30 June 2019 €
Net losses on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Net gains on financial liabilities at fair value through	3	(1,353,584)	-
profit or loss	4	1,353,584	-
Net operating Income		-	-
Other income	5	291,152	-
Administration expenses	6	(290,152)	-
Profit for the financial year before taxation		1,000	-
Taxation	7	(250)	-
Profit for the financial year after taxation	_	750	-
Other comprehensive income	-	-	
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	_	750	-

The accompanying notes on pages 17 to 33 form an integral part of these audited financial statements.

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2020

		As at 30 June 2020	As at 30 June 2019
	Notes	€	€
ASSETS			
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	8	2,160,011	-
Other receivables	9	309,902	18,750
Cash and cash equivalents	10	6,250	6,250
TOTAL ASSETS		2,476,163	25,000
LIABILITIES			
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	11	2,160,011	-
Corporation tax payable	7	250	-
Other payables	12	290,152	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES		2,450,413	-
EQUITY			
Share capital	13	25,000	25,000
Retained earnings	10	750	- 20,000
		25,750	25,000
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		2,476,163	25,000

The accompanying notes on pages 17 to 33 form an integral part of these audited financial statements.

The audited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 22 October 2020 and signed on its behalf by:

Jason La

Jason Lee Director

Romira Hoxha Director

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

For the financial year ended 30 June 2020	Share Capital €	Retained earnings €	Total €
As at 1 July 2019	25,000	-	25,000
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	-	750	750
As at 30 June 2020	25,000	750	25,750
For the financial year ended 30 June 2019	Share Capital €	Retained earnings €	Total €
As at 1 July 2018	25,000	-	25,000
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	-	-	-
As at 30 June 2019	25,000	-	25,000

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# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

Cash flows from operating activitiesProfit on ordinary activities before taxation1,000Adjustments:-Net losses on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss3Net gains on financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss41,353,584-Movements in other receivables(291,152)		Notes	Financial year ended F 30 June 2020 €	inancial year ended 30 June 2019 €
Net losses on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss3(1,353,584)Net gains on financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss41,353,584Movements in other receivables(291,152)(18,750)			1,000	-
Net gains on financial liabilities at fair value through profit or41,353,584loss41,353,584Movements in other receivables(291,152)	Adjustments:		-	-
loss         4         1,353,584           Movements in other receivables         (291,152)         (18,750)	5 1	3	(1,353,584)	-
	loss	4		-
Movements in other pavables 290.152	Movements in other receivables Movements in other payables		(291,152) 290,152	(18,750) -
				(18,750)
Cash flows from investing activities TRS purchases (14,654,740)			(14.654.740)	_
TRS sales11,323,546				-
Net cash used in investing activities(3,331,194)	Net cash used in investing activities		(3,331,194)	-
Cash flows from financing activitiesIssuance of ETP Securities1114,654,740-	Issuance of ETP Securities			-
Repayment of ETP Securities 11 (11,323,546)		11	(11,323,546)	
Issuance of share capital - 25,000	Issuance of share capital		-	25,000
Net cash from financing activites3,331,19425,000	Net cash from financing activites		3,331,194	25,000
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents-6,250	Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		-	6,250
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of of the financial year 6,250 -	Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of of the financial year		6,250	-
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year 10 6,250 6,250	Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	10	6,250	6,250

The accompanying notes on pages 17 to 33 form an integral part of these audited financial statements.

# NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Company was incorporated on 17 July 2017 in accordance with the laws applicable in Ireland under registration number 608059. The Company is a public limited company and qualifies for the regime contained in Section 110 of the Irish Taxes Consolidation Act, 1997 (the "TCA, 1997"). This provides that a qualifying company will be liable to corporation tax at the rate of 25% under Case III of Schedule D of the TCA in respect of taxable profits. The Company's registered office is at 3rd Floor, Kilmore House, Park Lane, Spencer Dock, Dublin 1, D01 YE64, Ireland.

The Company has been formed for the purpose of issuing collateralised ETP Securities and entering into a fully funded Swap agreement. Commercial activity commenced in September 2019 with the ETP Securities initially listed on the London Stock Exchange for trading on the secondary market.

The Company established a Collateralised ETP Securities Programme under which the Company issues, on an ongoing basis, collateralised exchange traded products of different classes (each a "Class") linked into indices providing exposure to a range of asset classes including equities, commodities, fixed income and currencies. The ETP Securities may have long or short, leveraged or unleveraged, exposure to the daily performance of the referenced index.

The ETP Securities have been listed for trading on the London Stock Exchange and applications may be made to the other European Stock Exchanges. The Company uses the net proceeds of the issuance of the ETP Securities to enter into Total Return Swap Transactions ("TRS") to hedge its payment obligations in respect of each Class of the ETS with one or more Swap Providers once the Swap Provider has delivered eligible collateral. The TRS for each Class of ETP Securities will produce cash flows to service all of the Company's payment obligations in respect of that Class.

The Company's principal activity is the listing and issue of ETPs. The securities are issued as demand requires. The Company purchases a matching TRS from swap providers to hedge its liabilities and ensure the assets can service its liabilities. The number and terms of ETPs outstanding will match the number and terms of ETP Swap Contracts so that the obligations of the Company and the Swap Provider Match. The price of an ETP Swap Contract will equal the price of an ETP. GraniteShares Jersey Limited (the "Arranger") supplied and/or arranged for the supply of all administrative services to the Company and paid all management and administration costs of the Company, in return for which the Company pays the Arranger an arranger fee.

The Company considers the capital management and its current capital resources to be adequate to maintain the ongoing listing and issue of the ETPs.

# 2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### (a) Statement of compliance

The audited financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union and those parts of Companies Act 2014 applicable to companies reporting under IFRS. The accounting policies adopted by the Company have been applied consistently. The audited financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

#### (b) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis and under the historical cost convention except for the Company's financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit and loss.

### NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# 2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### (c) Adoption of new and revised accounting standards

The Company has applied all relevant and applicable standards.

#### New standards and interpretations not yet adopted during the financial year

The following standards and amendments to standards are required to be applied for annual periods beginning after 1 July 2020 and are available for early adoption in annual periods beginning on 1 July 2020. The Company has taken the decision not to adopt these amendments early. The Company has assessed and reviewed the impact of these amendments and deemed that it currently has no impact on future accounting periods.

Standard	Effective date
Amendments to References to Conceptual Framework in IFRS Standards	1 July 2020
Definition of a Business (Amendments to IFRS 3)	1 July 2020
Definition of Material (Amendments to IAS 1 and IAS 8)	1 July 2020
Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint	Effective date deferred
Venture (Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28) – Available for optional adoption	indefinitely

#### Standards and amendments to existing standards that are effective after 1 July 2019

The following standards, amendments and interpretations, which became effective after 1 July 2019, are relevant to the Company. These amendments have no impact on the financial statements.

#### **IFRIC 23: Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments**

The interpretation was issued by the IASB on 7 June 2017 and is effective for period beginning on or after 1 July 2019, with earlier adoption permitted. The amendments clarify that an entity is required to use judgement to determine whether each tax treatment should be considered independently or whether some tax treatments should be considered together. The Company has assessed that that this standard has no material impact on the financial statements.

# (d) Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of the audited financial statements requires the directors to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that may affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions will be reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates will be recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

The principal application of judgement and sources of estimation of uncertainty arise with respect to determining the business model (see note 2(f)), determining the functional currency (see note 2(e)), the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on the Company (see note 18) and financial instruments at fair value. See note 14 for further discussion on how the fair values of the assets and liabilities are determined.

# (e) Functional and presentation currency

These audited financial statements are presented in Euro ("EUR" or "€") which is the Company's presentation currency. The Directors of the Company believe that Euro is the appropriate presentation currency as it reports to the Central Bank of Ireland in Euro.

Functional currency is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates. The ETP Securities issued by the Company and swap transactions entered into by the Company are denominated in Pound Sterling ("GBP" or "£"). The Directors of the Company believe that Pound Sterling most faithfully represents the economic effects of the underlying transactions, events and conditions.

#### NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# 2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### (f) Financial instruments

#### Classification

The Company has adopted the following classifications for financial instruments:

Financial assets:

- At fair value through profit or loss: TRSs
- Amortised cost: Cash and cash equivalents and other receivables.

Financial liabilities:

- · At fair value through profit or loss: ETP Securities;
- Amortised cost: Corporation tax payable and other payables.

The classification is determined by both:

- The Company's business model for managing the financial asset and financial liability
- The contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets and financial liability.

#### Recognition

Purchases and sales of financial instruments are recognised using trade date accounting, the day that the Company commits to purchase or sell the asset. From this date any gains and losses arising from changes in fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities are recorded through the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

#### Measurement

Financial instruments that are held within a different business model other than 'hold to collect' or 'hold to collect and sell' are categorised at fair value through profit or loss. Financial instruments are measured initially at fair value (transaction price) plus, in case of a financial asset or financial liability not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of the financial asset or financial liability. Transaction costs on financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are expensed immediately.

#### Fair value estimation

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 price per ETP Securities is calculated daily to reflect the daily change in the relevant index of the ETP Securities, and will take into account all applicable fees and adjustments. On the issue date of the class, the price per ETP Securities will be equal to its issue price. On any valuation date thereafter, the price per ETP is calculated according to a formula which reflects the price per ETP on the immediately preceding valuation date.

The TRSs are valued at fair value utilising predefined formula and market prices consistent with the ETP valuation process. In the absence of readily available market prices, the Swap Provider will provide the inputs for the valuation. Where possible, the Company independently calculates the fair value and verifies the Swap Providers valuation with any variation investigated. The valuation determined by the Swap counterparty may be based on assumptions of market conditions at the time of valuation, similar arm's length market transactions if available, reference to the current fair value of similar instruments and a variety of different valuation techniques such as the discounted cash flow techniques, option pricing models or any other valuation technique that provides a reliable estimate of prices obtained in actual market transactions. All TRSs are carried as assets when fair value is positive and as liabilities when fair value is negative.

#### Transfer between levels of the fair value hierarchy

Transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy are deemed to have occurred at the end of the financial year.

#### Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the Statement of Financial Position where the Company currently has a legally enforceable right to set-off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# 2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### (f) Financial instruments (continued)

#### Derecognition

The Company derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset in a transaction in which substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred or in which the Company neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and does not retain control of the financial asset.

Any interest in transferred financial assets that qualify for derecognition that is created or retained by the Company is recognised as a separate asset or liability in the Statement of Financial Position.

On derecognition of a financial asset, the difference between the carrying amount of the asset (or the carrying amount allocated to the portion of the asset derecognised), and the consideration received (including any new asset obtained less any new liability assumed) is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

The Company derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged or cancelled or expired.

#### Net gain/(loss) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss

Realised gain/(loss) on financial assets are recorded as part of net gain/(loss) on financial assets (or liabilities) at fair value through profit or loss within the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

Unrealised gain/(loss) relates to gains and losses arising from changes in fair value of financial instruments during the financial year. Unrealised gain/(loss) on financial instruments are recognised within net gain/(loss) on financial assets (or liabilities) at fair value through profit or loss within the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

#### **Expected credit losses**

Under IFRS9, the classification of financial assets is generally based on the business model in which a financial asset is managed and it's contractual cashflow characteristics. The impairment model applies to financial assets measured at amortised cost and debt investments at FVOCI, but not to investments in equity instruments.

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTPL:

- it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- It's contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

These assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses. The financial assets at amortised cost consist of cash and cash equivalents and other receivables.

Loss allowances are measured on either of the following bases:

- 12-month ECLs: these are ECLs that result from possible default events within the 12 months after the reporting date; and
- lifetime ECLs: these are ECLs that result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument.

The Company measures loss allowances at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs, except for the following, which are measured as 12-month ECLs:

- debt securities that are determined to have low credit risk at the reporting date; and
- other debt securities and bank balances for which credit risk (i.e. the risk of default occurring over the
  expected life of the financial instrument) has not increased significantly since initial recognition.

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition and when estimating ECLs, the Company considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis, based on the Company's historical experience and informed credit assessment and including forward-looking information.

The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Company is exposed to credit risk.

See note 14(b) further discussion on credit risk.

#### NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# 2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### (g) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash held with banks which is subject to insignificant risk in terms of changes of fair value with original maturities of three months or less, and are used by the Company in the management of its short-term commitments.

#### (h) Other receivables

Other receivables with no stated interest rate and receivable within one year are recorded at transaction price. The Company accrues arranger fees to be payable to the arranger once they are received from the swap provider.

#### (i) Ordinary share capital presented as equity

Ordinary shares are not redeemable and do not participate in the net income of the Company are classified as equity as per the Company's Constitution.

#### (j) Taxation

Income tax expense comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax expense is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity, in which case it is recognised in equity.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the financial year using the tax rates applicable to the Company's activities enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and adjustments to tax payable in respect of previous periods, if any.

Deferred taxation is accounted for, without discounting, in respect of all temporary differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes which have arisen but have not been reversed by the financial year end date except as otherwise required by IAS 12 'Deferred Tax'. Provision is made at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the financial year in which the temporary differences reverse. Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is considered more likely than not that they will be recovered. A deferred tax asset is recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilised. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realised.

# (k) Other income and administration expenses

The Company is entitled to receive a management fee calculated by reference to a management fee rate under the specified terms of each relevant TRS and in calculated by the Arranger by charging the applicable fee rate on the daily market value of each security.

The Company receives income from Graniteshares Jersey to cover any expenses that are incurred.

The Company pays an arranger fee to the Arranger calculated based on the amount of fees received from the Swap Provider. The arranger fees are accrued on a daily basis and are recorded in the Statement of Comprehensive income.

Administration expenses include amounts accrued for expenses such as administration and management incurred at the financial year end. Administration expenses also include swap transaction fees which are payable to Natixis S.A.

# (I) Foreign currency transaction

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated to the functional currency of the Company at exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the reporting date are retranslated to the functional currency at the exchange rate at that date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are measured at fair value are retranslated to the functional currency at the fair value was determined. Foreign currency differences arising on retranslation are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

# NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

3.	NET LOSSES ON FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS	Financial year ended 30 June 2020	Financial year ended 30 June 2019
		€	€
	Unrealised losses on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Realised losses on financial assets at fair value	(1,171,183)	-
	through profit or loss	(182,401)	-
		(1,353,584)	-

Net losses on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss arises from changes in fair value on ETPs listed on the London Stock Exchange.

4.	NET GAINS ON FINANCIAL LIABILITIES AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS	Financial year ended 30 June 2020 €	Financial year ended 30 June 2019 €
	Unrealised gains on financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss Realised gains on financial liabilities at fair value	1,171,183	-
	through profit or loss	182,401	
	—	1,353,584	-
5.	OTHER INCOME	Financial year ended 30 June 2020	Financial year ended 30 June 2019
		€	€
	Issuer profit	1,000	-
	Swap transaction fee	18,334	-
	Other income	271,818	-
		291,152	
6.	ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	Financial year ended	Financial year ended
		30 June 2020	30 June 2019
		€	€
	Corporate service fees	(38,088)	-
	Audit and tax fees	(44,520)	-
	Swap transaction fee	(18,334)	-
	Other expenses	(189,210)	
	—	(290,152)	-
	Auditors remuneration for the financial year is as	Financial year ended	Financial year ended
	follows:	30 June 2020	30 June 2019
	Audit fees	€ (40.522)	€
	Other assurance service	(40,522)	-
		-	-

Audit fees	(40,522)	-
Other assurance service	-	-
Tax compliance	(3,998)	-
Other non-audit service	-	-
	(44 520)	-

The Company has no employees and services required are contracted from third parties. The directors received no remuneration from the Company in respect of qualifying services rendered during the financial year.

7.	CORPORATION TAX	Financial year ended 30 June 2020	Financial year ended 30 June 2019
		€	€
	Corporation tax based on profit for the financial year	250	-
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	1,000	
	Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of 12.5%	(125)	_
	Effect of higher tax rate (25%) applicable under		_
	Section 110 TCA, 1997	(125)	-
	Current tax charge for the financial year	(250)	

# NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# 7. CORPORATION TAX (CONTINUED)

	As at 30 June 2020 €	As at 30 June 2019 €
Beginning corporation tax payable Additional corporation tax charged Corporation tax paid	- 250 -	-
Ending corporation tax payable	250	-

The Company is a qualifying company within the meaning of Section 110 of the TCA, 1997. As such, the profits are chargeable to corporation tax under Case III of Schedule D of the TCA at a rate of 25%, but are computed in accordance with the provisions applicable to Case I of Schedule D of the TCA. There was no deferred tax during the financial year (2019: nil).

8.	FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS	As at 30 June 2020	As at 30 June 2019
		€	€
	Fair value of TRS	2,160,011	-
9.	OTHER RECEIVABLES	As at 30 June 2020	As at 30 June 2019
		€	€
	Issuer profit receivable Share capital receivable Other receivables	1,000 18,750 290,152	- 18,750 -
		309,902	18,750
10.	CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	As at 30 June 2020	As at 30 June 2019
		€	€
	Cash and cash equivalents	6,250	6,250
11.	FINANCIAL LIABILITIES AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS	As at 30 June 2020	As at 30 June 2019
		€	€
	1 July 2019 Cash flows:	-	-
	Proceeds	14,654,740	-
	Repayment <b>Non-cash:</b>	(11,323,546)	-
	Fair value movement	(1,171,183)	-
	Fair value of ETP Securities	2,160,011	-

#### NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# 11. Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

As at 30 June 2020, the following are the ETP Securities in issue which are listed on the London Stock Exchange:

Securit	ty Name	ISIN	BBG Ticker main listing	Fair value €	Launch date
Granite	Shares 3x Leveraged Vodafone ETP	XS2009195566	3LVO	72,140	13/09/2019
	Shares -3x Short Vodafone ETP	XS2009195640	3SVO	38,555	29/08/2019
Granite	Shares 3x Leveraged Glencore ETP	XS2066789251	3LGL	124,525	04/11/2019
Granite	Shares -3x Short Glencore ETP	XS2066789335	3SGL	41,115	04/11/2019
Granite	Shares 3x Leveraged Lloyds TSB ETP	XS2066792982	3LLL	135,136	04/11/2019
	Shares -3x Short Lloyds TSB ETP	XS2066793014	3SLL	109,068	04/11/2019
	Shares 3x Leveraged BP ETP	XS2066792396	3LBP	254,810	04/11/2019
	Shares -3x Short BP ETP	XS2066792636	3SBP	53,748	04/11/2019
	Shares 3x Leveraged AstraZeneca ETP	XS2066793287	3LAZ	66,654	04/11/2019
	Shares -3x Short AstraZeneca ETP	XS2066793444	3SAZ	24,052	04/11/2019
	Shares 3x Leveraged Diagio ETP	XS2066793790	3LDO	26,542	04/11/2019
	Shares -3x Short Diagio ETP	XS2066793873	3SDO	49,245	04/11/2019
	Shares 3x Leveraged BAE ETP	XS2066799995	3LBA	22,902	04/11/2019
	Shares -3x Short BAE ETP	XS2066849337	3SBA	52,546	04/11/2019
	Shares 3x Leveraged RIO ETP	XS2066849501	3LRI	49,585	04/11/2019
	Shares -3x Short RIO ETP	XS2066849766	3SRI	17,336	04/11/2019
	Shares 3x Leveraged Barclays ETP Shares -3x Short Barclays ETP	XS2066849923 XS2066850004	3LBC 3SBC	193,023 25,411	04/11/2019 04/11/2019
	Shares 3x Leveraged Royal Dutch ETP	XS2066850343	3LRD	171,067	04/11/2019
	Shares -3x Short Royal Dutch ETP	XS2066850699	3SRD	65,646	04/11/2019
	Shares 3x Leveraged Rolls Royce ETP	XS2066850772	3LRR	516,997	04/11/2019
	Shares -3x Short Rolls Royce ETP	XS2066850855	3SRR	49,908	04/11/2019
Oranite		702000000000000000000000000000000000000	30111	-3,300	04/11/2013
12.	OTHER PAYABLES		As at		As at
			30 June 2020		30 June 2019
			€		€
	Corporate services fees payable		38,088		-
	Audit and tax fees payable		44,520		-
	Servicer fees payable		18,334		-
	Other payables		189,210		-
			290,152		-
13.	SHARE CAPITAL		As at		As at
			30 June 2020		30 June 2019
			€		€
	Authorised		-		-
	100,000,000 ordinary shares of €1 each		100,000,000		100,000,000
	Issued and called up				
:	25,000 ordinary shares of €1		25,000		25,000

The Company's capital as at the financial year end is best represented by the ordinary shares outstanding.

The Company issued 25,000 shares which are held by TMF Management (Ireland) Limited on trust for charitable purposes. On 26 March 2019, the shareholder paid up 25% of the share capital.

The Company monitors capital on the basis of the carrying amount of equity plus notes issued, less cash as presented in the statement of financial position.

# NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# 14. Financial risk management

The Company's financial instruments include the financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, other receivables, cash and cash equivalents, financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss and other payables that arise directly from its operations.

The Board has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Company's risk management framework.

The Company has exposure to the following risks from its use of financial instruments:

Market risk; Credit risk; Liquidity risk; Operational risk; and Concentration risk

This note presents information about the Company's exposure to each of the above risks, the Company's objectives, policies and processes for measuring and managing risk and the Company's management of capital.

#### (a) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as foreign exchange rates and securities prices, will affect the Company's income or the value of its holdings of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return on risk. Market risk embodies the potential for both losses and gains and includes currency risk and market price risk.

#### (i) Foreign exchange risk

Foreign exchange risk is the risk that the fair value or cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign currency.

The ETP Securities issued by the Company are denominated in Pound Sterling. The proceeds of these issuances are used to fund the purchase of the TRSs in Pound Sterling. These are retranslated to EUR using the applicable exchange rates. As the base currency of the TRSs matches the base currency of the ETP Securities there is deemed to be no currency risk to the Company. The Company is owed a EUR amount from TMF Management (Ireland) Limited in relation to share capital receivable and the Company holds a EUR bank account. As these balances are minimal, the directors are satisfied that the Company faces minimal foregin exchange risk.

### NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# 14. Financial risk management (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

# (ii) Price risk

Price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from currency risk), whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual financial instrument or its seller, or factors affecting similar financial instruments traded in the market. The Arranger monitors the cash flows of the financial assets at fair value through profit or loss on a daily basis.

The Company uses the hierarchy below for determining and disclosing the fair value of financial instruments by valuation technique:

The level in the fair value hierarchy in which each fair value measurement is categorised includes:

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

#### Financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss

As at 30 June 2020	Level 2 €	Total €
Assets Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	2,160,011	2,160,011
Liabilities Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	2,160,011	2,160,011
As at 30 June 2019	Level 2	Total
Assets Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	€	€ 
Liabilities Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	<u> </u>	-

The ETP Securities and TRSs have the same value and are considered to be fair valued under level 2 as the prices are compiled according to a formula which utilises a daily index for each ETP, based on market data as given by a third party provider, net of expenses incurred.

The Company's policy is to recognise transfers into and transfers out of fair value hierarchy levels as at the last day of the accounting year. There were no transfers during the financial year between levels of the fair value hierarchy for financial assets and liabilities which are recorded at fair value.

# Financial instruments not measured at fair value through profit or loss but for which fair values are presented

The table below analyses the fair values of financial instruments not measured at fair value, by the level in the fair value hierarchy in which each fair value measurement is categorised:

1. Quoted (unadjusted) prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

2. Other techniques for which all inputs that have a significant effect on the recorded fair value are observable, either directly or indirectly; and

3. Techniques which use inputs which have a significant effect on the recorded fair value that are not based on observable market data.

#### NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

#### 14. Financial risk management (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (ii) Price risk (continued)

The table below analyses the fair values of financial instruments not measured at fair value, by the level in the fair value hierarchy in which each fair value measurement is categorised:

As at 30 June 2020	Level 1 €	Level 2 €	Total €
Assets	C C		<b>U</b>
Other receivables	-	309,902	309,902
Cash and cash equivalents	6,250	-	6,250
	6,250	309,902	316,152
Liabilities			
Corporation tax payable	-	250	250
Other payables		290,152	290,152
		290,402	290,402
As at 30 June 2019	Level 1	Level 2	Total
	Level 1 €	Level 2 €	Total €
As at 30 June 2019 Assets			
Assets		€	€
Assets Other receivables	€	€	€ 18,750
Assets Other receivables Cash and cash equivalents	€ 6,250	€ 18,750	€ 18,750 6,250
Assets Other receivables	€ 6,250	€ 18,750	€ 18,750 6,250
Assets Other receivables Cash and cash equivalents	€ 6,250	€ 18,750	€ 18,750 6,250

The assets and liabilities included in the above table are carried at amortised cost; their carrying values are a reasonable approximation of fair value.

Cash and cash equivalents are short term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to insignificant changes in value with a maturity of three months or less. As such, Level 1 has been deemed the most appropriate categorisation for the Company's cash and cash equivalents.

Other receivables represent the contracted amounts for settlement of share capital receivables. Level 2 is most appropriate for other receivables.

Other payables represent the contractual amounts and obligations due by the Company for settlement of payables and expenses. As a result, Level 2 is deemed to be the most appropriate categorisation for the Company's other payables.

#### Sensitivity analysis:

Any changes in the values of the TRSs held by the Company would not have any effect on the equity or profit or loss of the Company as any fair value fluctuations are ultimately borne by the holders of the ETP Securities issued by the Company. Therefore the Company is fully economically hedged against changes in prices of underlying securities.

#### (iii) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates.

As the Company has invested in TRSs to match the ETP Securities there is deemed to be no interest rate risk to the Company.

The Company has a bank balance at The Bank of New York. Due to the level of cash held in the bank account the directors do not believe that any movement in interest rates would affect the operations of the Company.

### NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# 14. Financial risk management (continued)

#### (b) Credit risk

Credit risk arises from the possibility of obligors failing to meet their obligations to the Company and represents the most significant category of risk.

The maximum exposure to the credit risk of the ETP holders at the reporting date was:

	As at	As at
	30 June 2020	30 June 2019
	€	€
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	2,160,011	-
Other receivables	309,902	18,750
Cash and cash equivalents	6,250	6,250
	2,476,163	25,000

The Swap counterparty is Natixis S.A.. Nataxis S.A. has A+ (2019: A+) credit rating from Standard & Poor's.

The Company has a bank account with The Bank of New York with a balance of EUR 6,250 (2019: EUR 6,250). The Bank of New York has a AA- (2019: AA-) credit rating from Standard & Poor's.

Other receivables were settled after the financial year end (2019: same).

#### (c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company may be unable to fulfil its obligations, whether expected or unexpected. The legal maturity of the ETP Securities is 29 August 2069 and 6 November 2069. ETP Securities cannot be issued without a matching investment in a TRS being put in place. ETP Securities can be issued and redeemed daily, therefore this is the earliest maturity date for the purposes of the maturity analysis below.

The return on each issuance of ETP Securities will be linked to the daily performance of the corresponding TRS. The redemption amount of the ETP Securities will be derived from the liquidation of the corresponding TRS.

The following are the earliest contractual maturities of financial assets and financial liabilities:

As at 30 June 2020	Carrying amount €	Less than one year €	One to five years €	More than five years €
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Other receivables	2,160,011 309,902	2,160,011 309,902	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	6,250	6,250		-
	2,476,163	2,476,163	-	-
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	2,160,011	2,160,011	-	-
Corporation tax payable Other payables	250 290,152	250 290,152	-	-
	2,450,413	2,450,413	-	-
As at 30 June 2019	Carrying amount €	Less than one year €	One to five years €	More than five years €
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	amount €	one year €	five years	
		one year	five years	five years
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Other receivables	amount € 18,750	one year € - 18,750	five years	five years
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Other receivables Cash and cash equivalents Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	amount € 18,750 6,250	one year € - 18,750 6,250	five years	five years
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Other receivables Cash and cash equivalents	amount € 18,750 6,250	one year € - 18,750 6,250	five years	five years

# NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# 14. Financial risk management (continued)

## (d) Operational risk exposure

Operational risk is the risk of direct or indirect loss arising from a wide variety of causes associated with the Company's processes, personnel and infrastructure, and from external factors other than credit, markets and liquidity issues such as those arising from legal and regulatory requirements and generally accepted standards of corporate behaviour.

The Board has established processes to manage operational risks. Those processes include appropriate segregation of responsibilities and specific control activities. The Board delegates management and administration function to the Administrator.

#### (e) Concentration risk

Concentration risk can arise from the type of assets held in the portfolio, the maturity of assets, the concentration of sources of funding, concentration of counterparties or geographical locations.

The following is the classification of ETPs per industry:

	As at	As at
	30 June 2020	30 June 2019
Industry	Number of ETP issuances	Number of ETP issuances
Industrials	4	-
Banking	4	-
Consumer Discretionary	2	-
Materials	4	-
Energy	4	-
Pharmaceuticals	2	-
Telecommunication services	2	-
	22	-

Due to the nature of the ETPs issued, any profit or loss arising from the concentration risk will pass on to the holders of the ETPs. There is no residual risk remaining to the Company.

#### NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

#### 14. Financial risk management (continued)

# (f) Offsetting Financial assets and Financial liabilities

The Company does not offset financial assets and financial liabilities. These are presented separately in the Statement of Financial Position.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, and the net amount presented in the Statement of Financial Position when, and only when, the Company has a legal right to set off the amounts and intends either to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

# As at 30 June 2020

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	Gross amount of recognised financial assets € 2,160,011	Amount of recognised financial assets set off in the statement of financial position €	Net amount of recognised financial assets € 2,160,011	Financial instruments received € (2,160,011)	Net amount €
	Gross amount of recognised financial liabilities €	Amount of recognised financial liabilities set off in the statement of financial position €	Net amount of recognised financial liabilities €	Financial instruments received €	Net amount €
Financial	ť	£	ť	t	e
liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	2,160,011	-	2,160,011	(2,160,011)	-

There were no financial assets or financial liabilities held as at 30 June 2019.

#### NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# 14. Financial risk management (continued)

### (g) Reconciliation of Liabilities arising from financing activities

The following is a reconciliation of the liabilities arsing from financing activities.

As at 1 July 2019 Adoption of IFRS 16 Revised 1 July 2019	Long-term borrowings € - - -	Short-term borrowing € - -	Lease Liabilities € - -	Total € - -
Cash-flows: - Repayment - Proceeds Non-cash: -Fair value -Reclassification As at 30 June 2020	(11,323,546) 14,654,740 (1,171,183) 2,160,011		- - - -	- - - -
As at 1 July 2018 Cash-flows: - Repayment - Proceeds Non-cash: -Fair value -Reclassification	Carrying amount € - - - -	Less than one year € - - - -	One to five years € - - - -	More than five years € - - - - -
As at 30 June 2019 Cash-flows:	-		-	-

#### 15. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND COMMITMENTS

There were no contingent liabilities or commitments as of 30 June 2020 (2019: nil). Contingent liabilities are assessed continually to determine whether transfers of economic benefits have become probable. Where future transfers of economic benefits change from previously disclosed contingent liabilities, provisions are recognised in the financial year in which the changes in probability occur.

#### 16. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Graniteshares Jersey Limited, acting as Arranger for the Company, has and continues to cover expenses.

The Board is considered the key management personnel of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2020 (2019: Jason Lee replaced Damien Carroll, Romira Hoxha replaced Grainne Kirwan). The Board is considered to have authority and responsibility for planning and directing activities of the Company being the purchase and sale of the underlying portfolio. Jason Lee, Romira Hoxha, Grainne Kirwan and Damien Carroll, employees of TMF Management Ireland Limited were directors of the Company during the financial year.

The Company engages the Corporate Administrator for all management and administration functions to manage the operational risk of direct or indirect loss arising from a wide variety of causes associated with the Company's processes, and from external factors other than credit, market and liquidity risks such as those arising from legal and regulatory requirements and generally accepted standards of corporate behaviour. The Corporate Administrator is entitled to receive administrative fees for the services it provides per the terms and conditions of their agreement. TMF Administration Services Limited provides corporate administration services to the Company at arm's length commercial rates.

#### NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# 16. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)

During the financial period, the Company incurred a fee of EUR 12,400 (2019: EUR12,246) relating to administration services provided by the Corporate Administrator. The directors, as employees of the Corporate Administrator, had an interest in these fees in their capacity as directors.

The terms of the corporate services agreement in place between the Company and the Corporate Administrator provides for a single fee for the provision of corporate administration services (including the making available of individuals to act as directors of the Company). As a result, the allocation of fees between the different services provided is a subjective and approximate calculation.

Pursuant to Section 305A(1)(a) of the Companies Act 2014 (as amended) TMF Administration Services Limited received approximately EUR 1,000 (2019: EUR 1,000) as consideration for the making available of individuals to act as directors of the Company.

The individuals acting as directors do not (and will not), in their personal capacity or any other capacity, receive any fee for acting or having acted as directors of the Company.

There were no other contracts of any significance in relation to the business of the Company in which the director had any interest, as defined in the Companies Act 2014, at any time during the financial year.

The Company has issued 25,000 shares (2019: 25,000 shares) to TMF Management (Ireland) Limited on trust for Graniteshares Financial plc.

Unless otherwise stated, none of the transactions incorporate special terms and conditions and no guarantees were given or received. Outstanding balances are usually settled in cash.

#### 17. SIGNIFICANT SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

There were 18 ETP issuances since the year end.

There were no other significant subsequent events which need to be adjusted or disclosed in the audited financial statements.

#### 18. COVID 19 pandemic

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of Coronavirus COVID-19 a pandemic, due to its rapid spread throughout the world, affecting more than 180 countries. Most governments took restrictive measures to contain the spread, including: isolation, confinement, quarantine, and restriction on the free movement of people, closure of public and private premises (except those of basic necessity and sanitary), closure of borders, and drastic reduction of air, sea, rail and land transport. As of June 2020 these restrictions are gradually being relaxed on a country by country basis depending on the success of containment of the outbreak. This situation is significantly affecting the global economy, due to the interruption or slowdown of supply chains and the significant increase in economic uncertainty, evidenced by an increase in the volatility of asset prices, exchange rates and a decrease of long-term interest rates.

In this sense, the measures announced by the European Central Bank on March 18, 2020, including the Pandemic Emergency Purchase Program of debt (PEPP) for € 750,000 million and the purchase of commercial paper from non-financial entities are relevant, being most likely that these measures are implemented in the short term and reactivate the activity again. IAS 10 defines an adjusting event as an event that provides evidence of conditions that existed at the reporting date. A non-adjusting event indicates conditions that arose after the reporting date.

In late December 2019 there was a limited number of cases of an unknown virus that had been reported to the World Health Organisation (WHO). There was no explicit evidence of human-to-human transmission at that date.

The COVID-19 pandemic has created turbulence in financial markets and economic uncertainty, which will impact individuals and businesses. The eventual impact on the global economy and markets will largely depend upon the scale and the duration of the outbreak. As at the date on which this set of financial statements were authorised for issue the full impact is not certain at this stage and while the directors continue to monitor the effects of COVID-19 on the activities of the Company, the effect of COVID-19 could have a negative impact on the recoverability of the Company's assets. In the context of the financial assets being TRSs transacted with the parent entity (Nataxis Bank), which itself has a high credit rating, the directors do not expect COVID-19 to have a material impact on the recoverability of the financial assets.

# NOTES TO THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

# 19. CHARGES

The Issuer's obligations to the Noteholders (and certain other Issuer secured parties) are secured pursuant to the Security Deed between, amongst others, the Issuer and BNY Mellon Corporate Trustee Services Limited in its capacity as Note Trustee.

# 20. APPROVAL OF AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The audited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 22 October 2020.