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Who we are

Hendre Ltd is the parent organisation of the Hendre Group

Hendre Ltd is the parent organisation of the Hendre Group. The largest subsidiary is Hafod Housing Association Ltd who operate as a not-for-profit organisation, who are dedicated to building communities and making connections. They offer high-quality, affordable homes and support services to help people stay independent and well. Their care services range from personal homes to supported housing, residential care, and care homes.

They started in 1968 as Hafod Housing Association with 300 properties in Cardiff, seven team members, and a turnover of £100,000. Now, over fifty years later, they support more than 16,000 people across seven Local Authorities in Wales. With 1,181 dedicated colleagues and a turnover of over £64 million. The Hendre Group are passionate about making lives better for our customers and communities while being a great place to work for our colleagues. Our values guide us as a group, and our actions reflect our dedication. We're proud of the positive impact we make every day and look forward to continuing our journey together.



16.000+

Customers



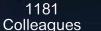
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Welcome from our Chief Executive

Jas Bains

Our colleagues strive to make a positive impact every day for our customers, creating a big difference in their lives. This is the heart of who we are and why we do what we do. Throughout the Hendre Group I see amazing dedication, energy, and compassion from our Teams everyday and I couldn't be prouder.

We're seeing more accountability for housing associations and better ways for customers to raise concerns. New rules like the Renting Homes Wales (RHW) Act and Welsh Housing Quality Standards (WHQS) 2023 are helping us stay accountable.

The Awaab Ishak tragedy in Rochdale was a wake-up call for the sector, showing just how crucial accountability is. Being open and honest is key to serving our customers well. We need to be humble, say sorry when we mess up, and fix things quickly. This was a major theme in our recent team meetings and town hall events, reflecting the realities we face every day.

"Reflecting the world as it is now" is always a timely reminder. While historians might debate the most turbulent times, it's clear that today's global challenges and political factors create a lot of uncertainty. For organisations like ours, staying relevant to the people we serve brings its own set of challenges and opportunities. Just as public services have evolved, so must housing associations. Future trends suggest that successful organisations will be flexible, dynamic, and well-connected. We'll be exploring what this means for us at Hendre. Our colleagues share the reality that our customers lives are getting more complicated, with serious, long-term issues like mental health struggles, fuel poverty, food insecurity, antisocial behaviour, and domestic violence. These challenges put pressure on an already stretched system. With budgets shrinking across public and third sectors, housing associations are stepping up to fill more gaps and provide more support. But this also brings risks - people might become too dependent on our help, and it's tough when we have to limit support. Since the Welfare Reform changes in the 2010's, this has been a constant challenge for housing associations, social workers, teachers, and police. We need systemic changes in how services are planned, funded, and organised.

Despite the rapid changes in the world, staying connected to our roots and listening to our community and customers is our best bet for staying relevant and effective.



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Our Year in Numbers:

Check out our latest stats from 2023/2024

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Strategy Areas of Focus

Throughout 2023/24 we have worked with customers and colleagues to agree our commitments from 2024 and beyond. We will report against these in next years annual accounts.

Our strategic plan covers the period 2019-2024. Throughout the period of the strategic plan the world has changed significantly – politically, socially, economically and environmentally.

Our strategy has always been ambitious and forward looking, ensuring our services remain relevant and in line with how our customers live their lives.

As we reflect on the final year of this strategy delivery, the amount of change we have seen as an organisation, and the external factors affecting our customers, has been astounding. Yet despite this we continue to deliver on our strategic objectives and continue to make lives better across the communities we serve.

Throughout this report we will be exploring in more detail each area of our strategic plan and highlighting the key successes. Towards the back of the report you will find our financial performance in numbers but we are going to utilising the first part of the report to celebrate and share the difference we make to our customers and colleagues lives everyday.



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Putting Customers First

One of our key strategic priorities is putting the customer at the heart of everything we do.

Over the next few pages we will demonstrate how we are changing the way we interact with our customers to ensure that their voices are heard and their views influence the way we deliver our services.

Improving how our customers can contact us

Over the last year, we have been reviewing how we connect with our customers to ensure every customer can contact us via a method of their choice.

This has involved undertaking both digital and direct contact reviews and tweaking, enhancing and developing ways in which customers can both give and receive information.

Our biggest transformation delivery area has been our website. Customers can now send detailed request and information forms directly to the required department for processing. Early indicators show that these changes have resulted in a reduction in follow-up calls and a decrease in query response times. In the coming year, we will be further analysing the impact of our increased contact methods and evaluating how our changes have reduced customer effort.

We also started engaging with customers on ways we can improve our contact with them and produced outcome cards so that we can communicate our operational changes resulting from listening to our customers.

Here are some of our customer contacts in numbers:



See our customer engagement outcomes -X

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Putting Customers First: Engagement

We engage customers through feedback, events, our Scrutiny Panel, and Hafod Connect, reaching 3,500+ monthly.

Engaging customers in decision making

We are continually looking to increase our customer engagement methods to ensure that we continue with what works and improve what doesn't by learning from our mistakes.

Each month customers are invited to answer a specific question around how we can improve on a particular service area. As an outcome to our Question of the Month we hold topical feedback sessions and events with customers to generate greater awareness on the services we offer. This has helped us to identify barriers to effective service delivery in some places and driven us to look for solutions.

Our Scrutiny Panel members continue to ensure we are hearing the customer's voice and give recommendations for change from a customer's perspective. We publish the areas our panel will be reviewing and have open invitations for customers to join sessions for specific topics that may interest them.

A monthly eNewsletter, Hafod Connect, has been developed and is delivered to over 3,500 housing and support customers each month. It has enabled customers to stay informed and provided the opportunity to share their views on a variety of topics at a time to suit them.

Supporting customers and colleagues through the continued cost of living crisis

We partnered with Good Things Foundation National Databank to set up a project, where Customers and Colleagues can apply for a sim card with unlimited data for six months. This can be for a mobile device or mi-fi wifi box. In six months of the project we have made total savings for 48 customers and colleagues of £5,270.40. You can read more about this <u>HERE</u>.

Customers forty-eight 617 119 Care gave feedback attended on our repairs topical groups Support and events service Housing 29 Colleagues accessed our responses to **Question of the Month Databank project** Governance NEWS LETTER 27,436 opened Connect eNews (1st year of circulation) **Financial** Accounts sixty-four mystery shoppers reviewed our customer completed the Scrutiny **STAR Survey** volunteer hours service and website

Our customers engaged in a number of ways:

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Putting Customers First: Social Value

One of our key strategic priorities is putting the customer at the heart of everything we do.

At the Hendre Group, we understand the financial pressures of our customers and are committed to providing support to our customers, their families and wider communities.

Hendre's Social Value distribution has been ad hoc previously, last year a Steering Group was created with the purpose of utilising our social value contracts clauses to deliver benefits to customers and communities.

Hendre applies social value clauses within all its procurement activity, ensuring our customers and communities receive a direct benefit from the outcomes. Our contracts are currently under review to ensure we have sight of all the social value kick back benefits to maximise Hendre's contribution back into our customers and local services.

Since the steering group was formed, 31 projects have been supported, ranging from garden enhancements, back to school uniforms, Christmas gifts and community events.

To read more about our Social Value projects click HERE.

"I'm so grateful for all your help this week, I've slept for the first time in over a month. Me and my children will have a good Christmas because of the help that you have given us, from the bottom of my heart, a big thank you"

Mel, Customer commenting on our Christmas Kindness campaign



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Customer Case Study: Customer Engagement

Our joint approach: Utilising our Social Value and Hardship fund.

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Our joint approach in utilising our Social Value and Hardship fund has allowed us to combine our 'We're Here For You' campaigns and ensure our customers can access maximum support. Here we have an example of one customer receiving support from five different campaigns.

Helen is a single mum of four. She has recently had a new baby and is struggling to manage on basic Universal Credit. Her 15-year-old son is trying his best to support his mum and has recently started employment to help her buy food. She isn't sure how she is going to find the additional funds to purchase uniforms etc. as she has already cut back on everything.

Helen's coach was able to identify the support available, complete a multiuse online request form and get Helen the support she needed within one week of applying.

Helen received:



£80

in foodbank vouchers

£45 worth of Hasbro toy donations

£60

worth of clothing support

£50

vouchers

£109 in highstreet





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Our Care

Our care services thrived financially, boosting local support and investing in digital and colleague wellbeing.

Last year saw strong operational financial performance across our care services, enabling us to continue to review and develop in many areas.

Our care operations employ 804 people, who all live locally within our communities. As part of our ambition to support our localities, we are striving to keep our supply chains local. Last year our care operations supported 83 Welsh businesses, spending £3.8 million. Where we can't use Welsh suppliers we aim to support smaller businesses and last year care procured through 104 SME businesses in the wider UK.

As part of our digital investment we have invested £126k in refreshing the digital hardware across our care settings to ensure colleagues are able to connect effectively with the wider organisation. We have issued 296 company email addresses to care colleagues, with the remainder planned in the coming year. This is all part of the procured digital care planning system that was mapped and will be launched next year.

As part of our focus on customer wellbeing and social interactions we have increased the number of hours in our services dedicated to activities for our customers, ensuring these are spread equally over the week, including the weekends. This increase resulted in more trips out in our minibuses and further engagement with local community activities.

We delivered improvements to 50% of our colleague wellbeing areas across our services and plan to complete the remaining spaces this coming year.

Some areas of our care performance in numbers:



of our Nursing

Assistants

qualified as nurses

<u>100%</u>

Compliance with

CIW regulations





95.6%

overall customers satisfaction with care they receive

Participation engagement

increases in customer

satisfaction survey

Nursing Home awarded Dementia **Specialist status**

580 People cared for each week on average

Brocastle

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Customer Case Study: Care

Stacey is 52 and lives with cerebral palsy.



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Despite her health challenges Stacey has completed a residential colleague course which enabled her to gain a job as a clerical assistant with great success and she enjoyed a varied and independent as possible lifestyle.

Due to her cerebral palsy, Stacey experiences head and body tremors along with anxiety attacks, all of which are exacerbated by stress. As her condition deteriorated her physical health her mental health suffered to, not helped by being isolated during Covid-19 pandemic, therefore a move to the APD community at Tŷ Penrhos with 24/7 professional support was explored.

When Stacey arrived, she was very withdrawn, preferring to stay in her room and could get frustrated with her situation, sometimes venting this with Hafod colleagues and generally giving herself a hard time.

Her medication was reviewed, and her mood improved and through building relationships with the Hafod team she shared that her greatest ambition was to go home to her family for Christmas. Stacey believed this to be impossible as she used a large wheelchair that wouldn't go through all doorways and unable to climb two steps into house.

Working with her trusted team and wider professionals a plan was made to see if Stacey could walk again and achieve her dream. She worked daily with physios and colleagues and relearnt how to weight-bear, transfer chairs, walk down corridors and amazingly climb not two but four steps, both up and down.

This amazing achievement resulted in Stacey going home for Christmas 2023. She also now goes to visit regularly and is an active member of the APD community, socialising with others who live there and attends every trip out on our minibuses. Hendre

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Our Support

Our support services grew with new contracts and awards, strengthening financial stability and homelessness support.

contract extensions and new awards, adding to the financial strength of this area of the business.

homeless people, accompanied with a wider range of community services centred around homelessness prevention.

Continuously evolving practice is vital in an operating environment where the needs customers are presenting with are getting ever more complex. Colleague and Customer wellbeing remains a key focus area and to aid this we are continually investing in ensuring our services are operating in psychologically informed environments (PIE). This applies to our physical properties and colleague approaches to support deliverv.

teams, enabling customers to maximise their income to alleviate individual and household wellbeing. The team are actively utilising the Hafod Hardship Find alongside as many other grants

Our Managing Partnership portfolio has grown over the last year with new Partners and schemes. This continues to be a way we

Supported settinas Support individuals/households at any one time Support delivered In partnership with in over Me five organisations Local Authorities **Delivering vital homelessness & Social Care centred services**

Here are some key facts about our Support services:



Place based supported housing ranging from short-term homelessness accommodation to long-term supported accommodation for vulnerable groups

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Customer Case Study: Support

Cardiff Young Persons Supported Accommodation - Life Skills Workshops.

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People living in young people supported housing projects tend to be on very low incomes. They have to pay their own bills and then have limited funds left to live off. This can lead to 'convenience' eating habits and poor health. One of the best ways to help young adults eat healthily and budget effectively is to encourage them to learn to cook. We have delivered Life Skills cooking workshops with the aim to empower customers to gain cooking knowledge, but also develop further independence skills such as budgeting, planning and making confident choices.

The workshops provide a relaxed, safe, environment and encourage people to feel socially connected and have a voice if they wish to. Attendees learn about others in the group and everyone has an opportunity to talk about who they are and what matters to them. For example, in one session a customer shared information about Ramadan and the importance of separate fridges which was learning for customers and colleagues alike.

Some of the outcomes we have seen is customers are not only motivated to choose healthy eating options but have formed friendships and social connections with people in the group, and gained confidence to access further support and engage with Hafod colleagues. After these workshops, we have seen an increase in customers coming to us to discuss any concerns, issues or additional support needed.

We have also found that customers engaging with these workshops have reported boosts in their self esteem. They enjoyed having a place to explore their creativity and enhance understanding in areas such as maths and health and safety. 17

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Our Housing

We have invested in modernising our landlord operations and adopting a coaching model.

We continue to invest in modernising our operations as a landlord, further shifting to a coaching rather than transactional model and ensuring our homes are desirable places to live that are fit for the future. Over the next few pages we will demonstrate the continuous work we do to achieve this.

Our neighbourhood coaching model enables us to get closer to our customers, building relationships and trust. This has allowed customers to approach us before they reach crisis point and enables us to work with them on all areas affecting contract sustainability including health, support, finance, education and much more.

The Hafod Hardship Fund has been developed to help address the ongoing cost-of-living pressures and to supplement Hafod's Affordable Rent Policy and annual rent setting. The Fund has a sustained focus on value for money, affordability and improving financial inclusion and wellbeing for contract holders and licensees throughout the rental year.

In 2023/24, our Hardship Fund helped 162 Housing and Support households through crisis interventions and the Rent Hardship Incentive Scheme. In addition, our income coaches and money advisors have maximised income for customers and the Association by assisting customers in securing DHP, rent rescue, HB backdates, council tax reductions and securing grants. In 2023/24, our colleagues raised and saved £218k.

	£218 in income assistance	e raised
	by Coaches for Cus	stomers
134 children from 65 families were	333	138
assisted with summer holidays	general needs	Lets to
and back to	and retirement	homeless
school support	lets	households



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Our Housing: Our Homes

We continue to invest into our properties, ensuring homes are fit for our customers.

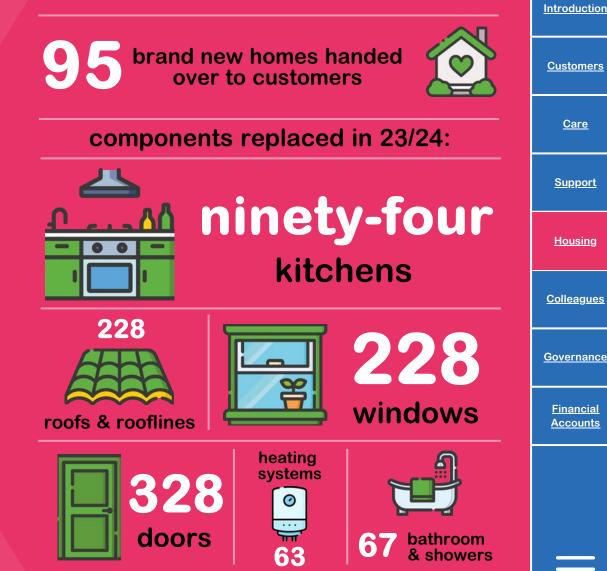
Continuous investment in our properties is fundamental to us delivering our ambitions and being a provider of choice for our customers and commissioners across all our services. Last year we have continued to deliver an extensive planned works and reactive repairs service.

Following the launch of the new Welsh Housing Quality Standard, WHQS 23, we have employed additional Stock Condition Specialists to ensure we meet our targets towards decarbonisation and identify what works we need to do in our homes.

Work has continued on our EPC reduction ambitions. Targeted Energy Pathways will be completed on all of our homes by the end of 2027, so we can plan for all our properties achieving the highest energy performance standard (EPC A) as part of WHQS 23 compliance. 95% of our homes are EPC C or above.

Ensuring homes are fit for our customers from the day they move in is key to us. We have updated our Void standard with major changes including new flooring being provided to all habitable rooms for new customers moving into their homes.

We have been successful in obtaining nearly £4m of additional funding towards energy efficiency measures under the Welsh Government Optimised Retrofit Programme. This allows us to install more renewable energy products to our homes, e.g. ground source heat pumps and PV panels with battery storage.



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Customer Case Study: Housing

Utilisation of Hafod Hardship Fund.



Following the sudden death of his wife, leaving him with three young children to look after alone, Mr S confided in his income coach, Adele, that he would not be able to afford Christmas gifts or funeral clothes for the children and was struggling with paying the rent and multiple debts.

Adele accessed the hardship fund was accessed enable Mr S to purchase clothes for the children for their mum's funeral. The fund was also utilised to assist Mr S in purchasing some essential household items and food, as well as funding some Christmas gifts for the children.

Adele also applied for a Discretionary Housing Payment for Mr S's rent arrears which cleared half of the debt. Adele discussed with Mr S options for clearing the remaining debt and budget management plan going forward. Mr S was incredibly worried about the remaining debt and risk of losing his home due to the current debt and to ease this anxiety the Hardship fund to clear the rest of the debt.

"I delivered the toys to Mr S and his children, the youngest is 6 and still super excited for Christmas! He was overwhelmed with the gift cards and told me he thought they were a scam when he saw them come through on email. In his own words, 'I never believed in Santa until now, you are our very own Santa Claus, I am so grateful for all of Hafod's help."

Adele, Hafod Income Coach

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Great Place To Work. 23 Hafod's "Great Days at Work" people strategy, which kicked off in 2020, is wrapping up this year. Certified Work. Certified Work. Hafod's people strategy focuses on four main areas: 1. Attracting Hafod's People metrics at 31 March 2024 compared to the Introduction

Hafod's people strategy focuses on four main areas: 1. Attracting and keeping talented people by valuing their contributions 2. Helping colleagues develop their skills and achieve their ambitions 3. Fostering a culture of innovation, accountability, and strong leadership and 4. Ensuring that our working practices help us achieve our goals.

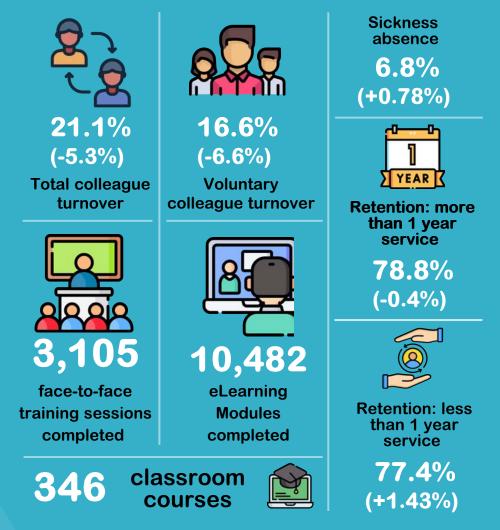
This year, we've had some fantastic successes. We ran our Great Places to work survey for the third time and saw improvements in both our trust score and overall participation. This certified us as a Great place to work, Great place to work for women and a Great place to work for wellbeing. All areas that our people strategy was setting out to achieve. We've also made significant progress on the gender pay gap, reducing it by 8.4 percentage points to just 0.6% and saw significant improvements in the number of colleagues we have retained.

We focused on improving our talent management processes and provided additional training for our senior managers. Two of our colleagues successfully completed their graduate nursing degrees with our support and sponsorship. Our team completed important training on equality, diversity, and inclusion, including training from Anti-Racism Wales training. We also secured funding to help our colleagues develop their professional skills and expanded our Digital Heroes programme to boost digital skills across the organisation.

Hafod received an award from the Chartered Institute of Housing for our Principles and Behaviours framework, and we retained and extended our overseas sponsorship license. We also made improvement to our HR System to enable managers to more easily engage in their people management responsibilities.

Finally, we introduced new management induction and development training programs covering areas like change management, managing difficult conversations, and building resilience.

Hafod's People metrics at 31 March 2024 compared to the same period in 2023:



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Colleague Case Study: Nicola Meredith

Nicola achieves distinction in Masters qualification.



Nicola Meredith, a project officer in our Development team, has recently completed the MSc in Construction Project Management course at the University of South Wales, achieving a distinction.

Accredited by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) and the Association for Project Management (APM), the course is practice-based and research focused.

Nicola has worked at Hafod for 12 years and has been studying part-time over the last two years alongside her day-job, which involves project management of our new development schemes.

Funded by Hafod as part of Nicola's career development aspirations, the tuition has included traditional lectures and tutorials with problem-based learning through workshops.

Nicola's progress has been assessed via a combination of coursework, written reports, project work, presentations, examination, and a 15,000-word dissertation about the barriers to the delivery of affordable housing.

Nicola, said: "The qualification has given me a strong foundation into construction project management which I have been able to apply to my current role, and will help me in my journey to becoming a project manager.

"Thank you to Hafod for the opportunity and support to further progress my career."

Nicola Meredith Project Officer

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Colleague Case Study: Hafod Nurses

Hafod's Nursing Care Assistants become qualified nurses.

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Our first two student nurses, Michelle Davies and Kirsty Parry, have successfully completed their nursing degrees and Hafod's 4-year Graduate Nursing Programme.

Michelle's career began in a factory, making components. Now, as a qualified Mental Health Nurse, she works in the dementia community at Tŷ Penrhos Nursing Home in Caerphilly. Reflecting on her path, Michelle emphasised that age is no barrier to success. Despite starting with few qualifications and spending 20 years in catering, she transitioned to a care role at Plas y Garn Care Home, eventually progressing from a Senior Care Assistant to a Team Leader and then Deputy Manager. Hafod supported her through multiple qualifications including a Level 5 in Health and Social Care and a Level 3 City and Guilds in Dementia Care. Completing the Graduate Nursing Programme in May 2024 was a dream come true for Michelle, and she credits Hafod for the unwavering support throughout her journey. Michelle is thrilled she is now a qualified nurse and looks forward to continuing her development with Hafod's support.

Kirsty's first job was as a waitress at the Duffryn Hotel in Maesteg at the age of 14. She joined Hafod 15 years ago as a Care Assistant and steadily progressed to Senior Care Assistant, Nursing Care Assistant, and then to a Unit Coordinator. Now, she proudly holds the title of Registered Mental Health Nurse on one of the dementia communities in Brocastle. Throughout her career, Hafod supported Kirsty through various qualifications, including being part of the first cohort of Nursing Care Assistants in 2018. Despite the challenges of studying during a pandemic and balancing a full-time role with motherhood, Kirsty successfully completed her nursing degree. She cherishes the dynamic nature of dementia care and is proud of her achievements, as are her family and colleagues. Deputy Manager Amanda Davis praised Kirsty's dedication and foresaw her potential to advance further, even suggesting she could one day take over her own role. 25

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We continued to demonstrate strong financial performance throughout 2023/24.

In this section, you will find a three-year summary of our financial performance and key financial indicators.

	12 months ended Mar-24	15 months ended Mar-23	12 months ended Dec-21
Operating surplus as % of turnover	10.4%	12.5%	13.3%
Net surplus as % of turnover	4.0%	4.8%	4.4%
Annualised net surplus as percentage of net assets	3.2%	3.8%	3.6%
Average annualised net interest cost	4.4%	4.1%	4.2%
Change in annualised turnover	8.3%	1.4%	2.4%
Change in net assets	5.6%	4.4%	5.9%

Our financial performance explained:

The financial statements present results for the year ending 31 March 2024. The previous financial period was 15 months due to a change in our year end date. On a twelve-month pro-rated basis turnover has grown to £70.1m (2023 pro-rated: £64.7m). This is due to the Welsh Government rent settlement in Housing and Support, coupled with fee increases in Care to enable us to fulfill the Welsh Government pledge to pay Real Living Wage to Care Workers. Additionally, during the year we won some new contracts in Support. Operating surplus of £7.3m was 10.4% of turnover (2023 prorated: £8.1m and 12.5%). Twelve-month equivalent net surplus before pension adjustments reduced to £2.8m, 4.0% (2023 prorated: £3.0m 4.7%). The operating margin has fallen primarily due to economic and inflationary factors.

Material effects were:

The costs of raw materials in our maintenance operation have increased by well above the headline rate of inflation. This, coupled with maintaining high levels of investment in our homes, has resulted in significantly higher costs being incurred.

	12 m
Turnover	
Operating expenditure	
Surplus on disposal of assets	
Operating surplus	
Net interest payable	
Other income and expenditure	
Surplus for the year	
Net acturial adjustment/gain in respect of pension scheme	
Total comprehensive income for the year	

12 months	15 months	12 months
ended	ended	ended
Mar-24	Mar-23	Dec-21
£m	£m	£m
70.1	80.9	63.8
(63.3)	(71.2)	(55.7)
0.5	0.4	0.4
7.3	10.1	8.5
(4.4)	(6.3)	(5.7)
(0.1)	0.1	£. .
2.8	3.9	2.8
1.8	(0.5)	1.5
4.6	3.4	4.3

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We continued to demonstrate strong financial performance throughout 2023/24.

Energy costs have increased, this particularly affects Hafod's care operation where energy usage is high and additional costs have to be borne by the organisation.

The level of care vacancies across the UK is very high which has resulted in increased agency costs in the care operation as recruitment and retention remain key challenges.

The care operation has managed the increased costs well and has emerged from the pandemic with strong levels of occupancy, and an overall improving picture, putting us in a strong position to invest in the future.

Hafod's Housing and Support operations have performed strongly with arrears levels continuing to be low.

Defined benefit pension asset Total liabilities	(379.4)	(383.3)	(354.0)
Government grants	(239.9)	(230.8)	(204.5
Housing loans	(124.6)	(134.2)	(134.7)
Current liabilities	(16.8)	(18.5)	(15.4)
Total assets	465.1	464.4	431.7
Current assets	28.1	53.4	41.9
Fixed assets	437.0	411.0	389.8
	£m	£m	£m
	Mar-23	Mar-23	Dec-21

An independent evaluation of the Greater Gwent (Torfaen) final salary pension scheme resulted in an actuarial cessation adjustment on the scheme being reported in Hafod Housing Association Limited's statement of comprehensive income of $\pounds 1.8m$ (2023: $\pounds 0.5m$ loss). This matter is dealt with further in the financial statements.

During the year we maintained adequate headroom over covenant levels to manage the challenges presented by the current economic climate. A refinancing exercise has significantly increased our headroom in the new financial year.

The Group is not exposed to interest rate risk within the next 12 months from its current drawn debt portfolio, with all drawn debt at a fixed rate of interest.

Revenue reserves increased to £85.7m as at 31 March 2024, this net increase comprises of the surplus for the year of £2.8m and the actuarial cessation adjustment on the pension scheme of \pounds 1.9m.

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We continued to demonstrate strong financial performance throughout 2023/24.

There was a net cash inflow from operating activities during the year of £12.6m (2023: £18.9m). External borrowing was offset by bank account balances to leave net debt at the end of March 2024 of £109m (2023: £92m), after cash outflows in respect of interest payable, loan repayments, investment in component replacements and purchase of replacement fixed assets.

The Group's net debt position increased primarily due to a reduction in cash balances from £41.8m to £15.7m at the end of March because of the high grant values received at the end of March 2023 being invested in development during the year.

The Group's cash and liquidity position remains strong, and is managed through daily, weekly and monthly cash management and forecasting.

The financial statements and supporting notes detail the financial performance of the various operating activities of the Group.

	12 months ended Mar-24 £m	15 months ended Mar-23 £m	12 months ended Dec-21 £m
Opening cash and cash equivalents	41.8	29.5	20.6
Net cash from operating activities	12.6	18.9	14.7
Purchase of fixed assets	(33.2)	(28.4)	(13.6)
Investment in joint venture	-		(0.9)
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	1.6	1.2	1.6
Government grants received	7.0	27.9	15.7
Net interest paid	(4.4)	(6.8)	(5.7)
Loan repaid	(9.7)	(0.5)	(2.9)
Net cash inflow	(26.1)	12.3	8.9
Closing cash and cash equivalents	15.7	41.8	29.5

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Treasury Management

During the year we carried out a major review our Treasury Strategy. The strategy was reviewed by our retained treasury advisers, Centrus to ensure compliance with best practice.

The Treasury Strategy was approved on 19 June 2023 at the Hendre Board meeting and had the following principal aims:

- Obtaining additional liquidity to meet Hendre's requirements.
- Financing the future development programme.
- Financing to be at variable rates to allow flexibility over locking-in funding rates.
- Moving to EBITDA only interest cover covenants.

There were also secondary aims around improving covenants generally where possible, particularly in relation to on-lending and capitalised interest exclusion.

A tender exercise was undertaken in the autumn of 2023 resulting in offers for the desired changes to existing facilities and the additional required facilities that had been identified.

By 31 March 2024, all interest cover covenants had been changed to the EBITDA basis rather than EBITDA (MRI). This allows Hendre to invest more, particularly in existing homes in future years. As a result of the exercise the most stringent gearing covenant had been relaxed somewhat. Interest rate risk is well controlled, with all drawn debt at 31 March 2024 being at fixed rate, but with new facilities arranged as a result of this exercise at variable rates to provide flexibility in line with our treasury strategy objectives.

Some of the new facilities were completed after the year end and provide more than three years liquidity to support our ambitious plans for investment in new and existing homes. Hendre

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Digital Transformation

Accelerating our digital transformation is a key priority in our 2021-2025 strategic plan.

We believe that innovative digital solutions can revolutionise our services, improve efficiency, reduce costs and enhance our customer experience.

Since launching our digital transformation strategy in January 2022, we've made significant progress. In 2023/24, the second year of our three-year program, we completed over 35 projects and achieved more than £250,000 in service-based efficiencies between process reviews and hardware renewal.

Key improvements in FY24 include launching Hafod's new website for 24/7 customer services and introducing our Data Lake and Analytics program, producing over 161 reports to inform our services. We also gave customers the option of Digital Rent Statements to increase choice, modernise processes and realise cost and environmental savings.

We rolled out new mobile phones to support agile working and introduced a colleague discount airtime scheme, leading to significant savings. We enrolled 79 Digital Heroes to boost digital skills and launched our Databank scheme, providing free data and mifi devices.

We began our Care Transformation project, which will introduce Digital Care plans in 2024/25 and ensure all colleagues have access to digital tools like Microsoft Teams. Additionally, we reviewed our core business systems and initiated a tender for replacements to improve processes, reduce costs and enhance customer services.

Our digital transformation journey is well under way, and we look forward to the continued improvements and efficiencies it will bring

161 2k+ **Colleague Digital** requests for data insight **Heroes created** and analytic services completed on report pages 235 produced our website devices refreshed 16,649 unique website visitors Colleagues access our on average every month intranet A mixture of £140k+ forty-eight customers and of digital efficiencies colleagues signed identified SUPPORT up to our data bank scheme 5,381 nineteen service support calls improvements logaed with the and quick wins service desk by delivered

Here are some digital achievements at a glance:

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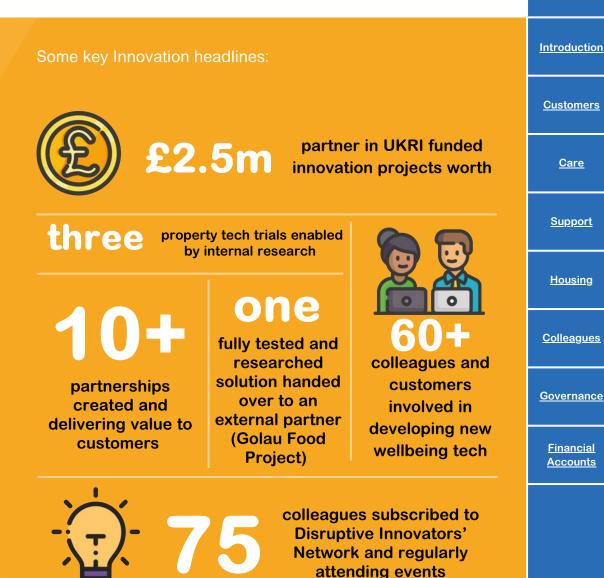
Meaningful Innovation

Side-By-Side tackles societal challenges through stronger organisational capabilities and strategic partnerships for innovative solutions.

Side-By-Side, Hafod's research and innovation arm, continues to focus mainly on broad societal challenges (such as loneliness, food security and ageing) but has also focused more resource inwardly to boost organisational capability.

Partnership is important to the approach. As well as maintaining existing partnerships, new ones have been developed, both internally and across the community and voluntary sector, universities, health boards and commercial sector. All are aimed at helping Hafod solve customer-centred problems.

Side-by-Side has been prominent in shaping the organisation's future strategic direction and supporting a culture of innovation. It also continues to be a strong attribute in attracting new colleagues, partners and Board members keen to make a difference and approach change in a structured and coordinated way.



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Mitigating Climate Change

We developed our first decarbonisation strategy, which is a major part of how we will tackle climate change.

This sets an ambitious target of achieving net zero carbon by 2036, with five major levers:

- Building our picture through data
- Decarbonising new homes
- Decarbonising existing homes
- Low-carbon service delivery
- The carbon literate organisation

Through Welsh Government Optimised Retrofit Programme 2 and other funding, significant progress was made in retrofitting around 200 customers' homes to improve energy efficiency.

We have built carbon reduction criteria into our procurement processes and contracts, and established a network of Green Champions to drive carbon reduction across the business.

Here are our key climate mitigations:



the year Hafod has set as a target for net zero carbon

fifty-eight

Intelligent Energy Systems fitted in customers homes in Ty Cam Extra Care, Merthyr Tydfil, and £180k invested in boosting solar energy capacity

65%

of Hafod stock achieved SAP rating of 75 and upward

£2.1m

investment in retrofit of 150 homes in Thornhill. Cwmbran



£1.9m

in Optimised Retrofit **Programme funding** awarded and claimed

network of ten

Green Champions established to support

the decarbonisation strategy

Sourced funding to train 2 in-house

retrofit assessors, 1 retrofit coordinator

and 5 domestic energy assessors

ten awarded contracts

with specific carbon reduction criteria



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Leadership

We focused on developing a new strategy, upgrading IT systems, and enhancing leadership skills through coaching and training.

2023/24 saw a raft of development work on Hendre's new 5year strategy, which has been the major focus of the leadership, alongside IT system replacement and refinancing the organisation.

Hundreds of colleagues across the business were engaged in face-to-face and virtual events, with the intention of the strategy being colleague-owned and led.

The strategy was also informed by hundreds of items of customer feedback from social media, surveys, complaints and customer service channels. The scale of the exercise was unprecedented in Hendre's history and gives us confidence that the emerging strategy is very much in tune with customers and colleagues.

2023/24 also saw a focus on developing leaders' and managers' skills, through coaching interventions, focused management training and Board and Executive effectiveness sessions.

All colleagues are now required to complete e-learning on the Equality Act when joining Hendre and we have stepped up our EDI-related leadership training. Indeed, 18 of our Executive Team and Board attended Anti-Racism Wales training and 21 senior leaders attended EDI awareness training, both facilitated by Tai Pawb.

Here are some of our developments in leadership:

DAVS



colleagues attended inperson strategy discussions hosted by our Chief Executive



twelve

colleagues accessed

internal coaching

colleagues attended 12 virtual Town Hall strategy events

six

board and executive

effectiveness days held

twenty-eight



responses to

colleagues attended

newly developed

management induction

twenty-____three

colleagues attended training on managing touch conversations Annual Report 2023/4

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Assurance

We continue to strive for world class governance across the organisation and last year saw many key developments in process and approaches embedded into practice.

This has resulted in strong assurance, internally, by auditors and our regulators, accompanied by a positive governance culture.

Health and Safety







fourteen food safety audits

448

estates inspections

Review of all health & safety policies \sim

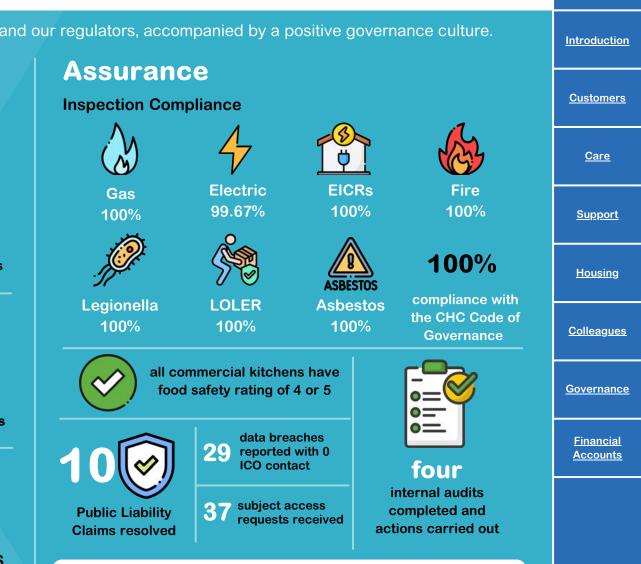
- **Review of all risk assesments**
- **Review of contractor health & safety**

Delivery of 10 fitness for Human Habitation training sessions



twenty-eight

meetings of interdepartmental working groups which increase H&S oversight



We are committed to complying with our legal and regulatory responsibilities. Read our 2024 Modern Slavery report here

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World-Class Governance

Governance Statement for the Annual Report & Financial Statements 2023/24.

At the Hendre Group, we are committed to maintaining the highest standards of corporate governance, which serves as a golden thread woven throughout our organisation. Our governance framework ensures robust oversight, accountability, and strategic alignment, enabling us to deliver on our mission to provide high-quality social housing, care and support.

Landlord Health and Safety Compliance

We are proud to report continued top performance in relation to landlord health and safety compliance. Our commitment to maintaining safe and secure living environments for our customers remains paramount. Rigorous inspections, regular maintenance, and adherence to the highest safety standards ensure that our properties are safe and well-managed. This ongoing dedication is reflected in our excellent compliance record and the trust our customers place in us.

Governance Structure and Enhancements

This year, we have further strengthened our governance by transitioning from a common board structure to a more specialised and diverse Hendre Board. This move has allowed us to bring in new board members who not only enhance our governance capabilities but also incorporate a wealth of diverse perspectives and an understanding of the communities we serve. This strategic shift has fortified our decision-making processes and enriched our organisational culture with a broader range of diversity, skills and experiences.

Regulatory Compliance and Financial Viability

We are pleased to announce that Hafod Housing Association has achieved the highest level of regulatory judgment from the Welsh Government's Housing Regulator. Being rated as "compliant" in relation to meeting all regulatory standards of governance and financial viability is a testament to our robust governance practices, financial stewardship, and strategic oversight. This judgment underscores our ability to effectively manage our resources, deliver high-quality services, and remain resilient in the face of challenges.

In conclusion, the Hendre Group's governance framework is designed to ensure transparency, accountability, and continuous improvement. By embedding a governance golden thread throughout the organisation, we have created a resilient and responsive governance structure that supports our strategic objectives and operational excellence. Our ongoing commitment to diversity, community understanding, and regulatory compliance positions us well for future growth and success.

We extend our gratitude to our board members, colleagues, and partners for their unwavering dedication and contributions to our governance practices. Together, we will continue to uphold the highest standards and work towards creating thriving, sustainable communities.

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World-Class Governance

Value for money is about delivering services in the most effective and efficient way.

For us, value for money is about ensuring that every pound spent makes the best use of resources to deliver the maximum impact possible for our customers and colleagues.

We use the Welsh Government's Regulatory Framework as an opportunity, as well as regulatory obligation. With effective governance, management and accountability, we embed value for money into every aspect of our operations to enables us to deliver more than traditional landlord functions.

Value for Money Objective	How we have delivered Value for Money	<u>Housing</u>
To maximise value from our Group structure	 We have increased our financial capability through effective refinancing We are continuing to understand our stock through enhanced and thorough data collection 	<u>Colleagues</u>
To obtain VFM through effective procurement	 We have a dedicated procurement team who have enhanced and streamlined our procurement processes to ensure that they are effective across the business We have made £1,534,437 in savings across whole contract terms for 7 new contracts 	<u>Governance</u>
To understand value to enable us to optimise efficiencies and use resources effectively	 WiFi has been provided to all of our extra care sites We have redesigned and relaunched our website We are continuing to ensure that colleagues have the right tools to do the right job at the right time 	<u>Financial</u> <u>Accounts</u>
To deliver community benefits to our communities	 We now include social value within all our procurement exercises to ensure that our work is directly benefiting our customers 	

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Each year we undertake a self-evaluation process to demonstrate our level of compliance with each Regulatory Framework standard.

Regulatory Standard	How We Meet The Standard
RS1 – strategic leadership and governance	 Led by a Board with the skills, knowledge and expertise Strategic Plan 2021-2025 Vision, Mission and Values are in place 100% compliant with CHC Code of Governance We have a Governance Framework Board Composition and Board Recruitment policies in place Customer Strategy
RS2 – robust risk management and assurance arrangements	 Risk Management Framework Strategic Risk oversight by Board and Finance, Risk and Audit Committee Group Treasury Management policy Business Continuity and disaster recovery
RS3 – high quality services are delivered to tenants	 Landlord Health & Safety Compliance Social Value steering group Tenant satisfaction Performance reporting Value for Money
RS4 – tenants are empowered and supported to influence the design and delivery of services	 Customer strategy and customer engagement plan Scrutiny panel Relational model with specialist Neighbourhood Coaching Board diversity to reflect our communities

Our self-evaluation is developed with the Board to give the assurance they require to ensure we meet the regulatory standards.

Regulatory Standard	How We Meet The Standard	
RS5 – rents and service charges are affordable for	 Rent setting and annual review of rents and affordability 	<u>Care</u>
current and future tenants	 Dedicated service charge project Hardship Fund Financial wellbeing and income team 	<u>Support</u>
RS6 – strategic approach to value for money	 Value for Money strategy Specialist procurement team Community engagement team 	<u>Housing</u>
	working with customers to identify and deliver community initiatives	<u>Colleagues</u>
RS7 – financial planning and management	 Robust and effective financial planning 30-year business plan Treasury management strategy Financial monitoring and reporting 	<u>Governance</u>
	 Capital and revenue funding Stock condition data 	<u>Financial</u> <u>Accounts</u>
RS8 – assets and liabilities are well managed	 Asset management strategy Treasury strategy Capital Investment Group for new developments 	
RS9 – providing high quality accommodation	 100% Landlord Health & Safety compliance New and improved void standard 95.4% of properties are EPC C and above 	

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The Hendre Board:		The Executive team:	
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Neil Davies* (Chair)	Teresa Beggs (Vice Chair)	Group Chief Executive - Jas Bains	
Moawia Bin-Sufyan	Michael Jones*	Directors	<u>Customers</u>
Ceri Breeze*	David Michael*	Assets, Customer Strategy and Assurance - Tracey Healey	
Tina Donnelly	David Warrender	People, Communications and IT - Karen Rosser Housing and Support- Elke Winton	
The Hafod Housing Board:		Care Operations - Sherri Sargent	<u>Care</u>
Michael Jones (Chair)	Caroline Hughes	Innovation and Partnerships - Jamie Smith Interim Finance & Investments (from February '24) - Chris Judson	
Stacey Anastasi	David Michael		<u>Support</u>
Farida Aslam	Helen Northmore	Executive team resignations Corporate Director, Finance, Investments & Development -	
Moawia Bin-Sufyan	Hugh Russell	Simon Mellor (March '24)	
Tina Donnelly**		The senior executives hold no interest in the shares of Hendre Limited or	<u>Housing</u>
		its subsidiaries.	
Company Secretary: Tracey H	Healey		<u>Colleagues</u>
*Board members who are Ch	airs of Group committees	Group-wide committees of Hendre Limited (independent members appointed by Hendre are named)	
**Appointed to the Hafod Boa	ard November 2023	Schedule 1 Committee	<u>Governance</u>
Board resignations 2023/24	1	Remuneration, Appointments & Governance Committee - Wyn Lewis	
Hendre Board - None		 Pension Committee - Allan Jones Finance, Risk & Audit Committee - Ronnie Alexander, Peter Allbrook, 	<u>Financial</u>
Hafod Board - Teresa Beggs	(Sept '23) Mutale Merrill (April '24)	Martin Veale	<u>Accounts</u>
	ttee - Mutale Merrill (April '24)	Under the Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Act 2016	
Remuneration, Appointments	& Governance Committee - Craig	Hafod Housing Association Limited must appoint a Responsible Individual ("RI") in relation to its regulated services. This person is	
Fitzek (May '23)		independent of operational matters and sits on the Hafod Board	
In accordance with our Rules served nine years.	, members retire when they have	providing assurance on safeguarding and compliance for care operations.	
Retirees - Dawn Jones (Hend	re June '24)	Responsible Individual - Marc Pullen-James	
Katherine Howells (Hafod Jur	ne '24)		

Legal status and rules

Hendre Limited is a 'not for profit' organisation administered by the Board and is registered as a charitable housing association (No.29386R) under the Co-operative and Community Benefits Societies Act 2014 and is registered with the Welsh Government (No. L132).

The Registered Office of the Association is St Hilary Court, Copthorne Way, Culverhouse Cross, Cardiff, CF5 6ES.

Hendre Limited has a thirty per cent equity investment in the Welsh Housing Partnership and WHP2.

Hendre Limited and its subsidiaries are members of Community Housing Cymru (CHC).

Structure of the Group

Hendre Limited is the parent organisation of the Hendre Group. At the year end the Group comprised Hendre Limited (the 'parent'), Hafod Housing Association Limited, Hafod Resources Limited, Foundation Housing Tai Sylfaen (the 'subsidiaries') and Yellow Wales, a subsidiary of Hafod Housing Association Limited.

- Hafod Housing Association Ltd (registered number IP18766R) is registered under the Co- operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 and is registered as a registered social landlord with the Welsh Government.
- Hafod Resources Limited is registered under the Companies Act. Hendre Limited is the sole shareholder in Hafod Resources Limited.
- Foundation Housing Tai Sylfaen is a non-registered social landlord, registered under the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014.
- Yellow Wales is a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee.

With the exception of Hafod Resources Limited, all members of the Group are 'not for profit' organisations and are registered under charitable rules. Consequently, their activities are exempt from corporation tax under current legislation.

Hendre Limited's subsidiaries are administered by separate boards. Hendre Limited exercises its parental control over its subsidiaries by having the ability to appoint, at any time, the majority of members onto each of the boards of its subsidiaries.

Hendre Limited, as sole shareholder, appoints all members to the board of Hafod Resources Limited.

Shareholders

Share capital is raised by the issue of shares, with each share having a nominal value of £1 which carries no right to interest, dividend or bonus, in line with Housing Act 1996. Shareholders have a 'stewardship' role and act at all times in the interests of the association and for the benefit of the community. They have an active role at Annual General Meetings.

Share membership is restricted to people who have a long-term interest in the well-being of Hendre Limited and the Group. People admitted to share membership are those who are likely to be candidates for election to the Hendre Board, or appointment to the Hafod Housing Board, and will make a substantial contribution to the work and long-term well-being of Hendre Limited and the Group.

No individuals or organisations will be admitted into membership under circumstances in which an individual might derive personal gain, financially or otherwise.

All applicants to become a shareholder of Hendre's subsidiaries are subject to approval of the Hendre Limited Board.

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Hendre Board members obligations and responsibilities

- Ultimate responsibility for governance of the Hendre Group
- Setting strategy to ensure long-term success of the Group
- To set and oversee the long-term strategic direction for the organisation
- To contribute to and share responsibility for, board decisions; including the duty to exercise all reasonable care, skill and independent judgement
- To set the risk appetite and monitor risk
- To ensure an effective business plan and budget is in place and that the business remains financially viable
- To ensure that performance is monitored against targets and managed through internal controls and delegation
- To approve key policies and take decisions about matters reserved to the Board
- To ensure that the Board fulfills its duties and responsibilities for the proper governance of the organisation including compliance

The core responsibilities of Hafod Housing Board members are to oversee and scrutinise the operations which include housing, care and support.

All board and committee members sign a 'Deed of Contract of Services' confirming that they will meet their obligations to the Hendre Group.

Skills, qualities and experience required by the Board from its members

The Board must be competent in the wider sense to carry out its defined role. Competence in this wide sense goes beyond particular skills. It includes the ability to understand the impact of the Group's work on local communities and those it seeks to serve. It requires a high level of commitment and cohesion in pursuit of shared goals.

We have a robust Governance framework in place that includes:

- Statement of preferred composition
- Skills and knowledge matrix
- Membership policy
- Role profiles for board and committee members
- Board charter
- Succession plan
- Annual performance reviews
- Board, Committee and Chief Executive performance review policy and procedure

Board and Committee member performance reviews are carried out annually and are designed to assess the skills, knowledge, experience and competencies of members.

The emphasis of the performance review is the assessment of each member's contribution to Board effectiveness and any personal development needs.

The Board's collective effectiveness is reviewed and developed as part of our commitment to continuous improvement and to ensure our boards are relevant and up to date.

The outcome of the performance review process is the development of collective and personal development plans, a succession statement and plan for the forthcoming year. <u>Care</u>

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Statement of responsibilities of the Board in respect of the Board's strategic report and the financial statements

The Board is responsible for preparing the Board's strategic report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

The law requires the Board to prepare Group and parent Association financial statements for each financial year. Under those regulations, the Board has elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Group and the parent Association and of the surplus or deficit for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the Board is required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group will continue in business.

The Board is responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Group and the parent Association and enable them to ensure that their financial statements comply with the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014, the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 and the Accounting Requirements for Registered Social Landlords General Determination (Wales) 2015.

The Hendre Board is responsible for the sign-off of the Group statements, and each subsidiary responsible for sign-off of their own financial statements. The Boards have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to it to safeguard the assets of the Group and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities. Each Board is also responsible for ensuring the integrity of the corporate and financial information included on our website.

Housing Association governance – reporting on internal controls.

The Welsh Government requires Registered Social Landlords (RSLs) to report on internal controls (Welsh Government Circular RSL 02/10). We produce an annual statement of compliance and a self-evaluation to fulfil these requirements.

We believe that good governance is essential to the success and sustainability of our business.

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The following mechanisms have been put in place, which are designed to provide effective internal financial control:

- Clearly defined management and reporting structures detailed in the Scheme of Delegated Authority and Financial Regulations
- Careful recruitment and effective financial training programmes
- Board Assurance Framework
- Regulations and procedures manuals for colleagues
- Management information and accounting systems with quarterly reporting of financial results and other performance indicators
- Rolling five and thirty-year strategic business plan forecasts
- Monitoring of the control systems by the Finance, Risk and Audit Committee

The Finance, Risk and Audit Committee has a wide remit to monitor all aspects of risk and assurance management, audit, internal control, whistleblowing, financial oversight, fraud, money laundering and bribery prevention, and development appraisals.

The Group complies with best practice on the prevention of fraud. There have been no cases of fraud reported during the year.

RSM is the Group's internal auditor, and their reports are presented for scrutiny at the Finance, Risk and Audit Committee. The annual internal audit programme is determined in workshops held with Hendre Board, Finance, Risk and Audit Committee, Executive team and RSM There have been no events subsequent to the date of the Group's financial position that have had a material effect on the results of the Group as reported in these financial statements.

Disclosure of information to the Auditor - The Board members who held office at the date of approval of this report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Group's auditor is unaware; and each Board member has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a Board member to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish the Group's auditor is aware of such information.

Date of next Annual General meeting 23 September 2024.

The directors' report was approved by the Board on 19 August 2024 and is signed on its behalf by:



Tracey Healey Company Secretary

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To the members of Hendre Limited.

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Hendre Limited (the 'parent association') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the group statement of comprehensive income, the group statement of changes to reserves, the parent association statement of comprehensive income, the parent association statement of changes to reserves, the group statement of financial position, the parent association statement of financial position, the group statement of cash flows and notes to the group statement of cash flows, the parent association statement of cash flows and notes to the parent association statement of cash flows and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014, the Statement of Recommended Practice for Registered Social Housing Providers 2018 (SORP), the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 and the Accounting **Requirements for Registered Social Landlords General** Determination (Wales) 2015.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and parent association's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of the income and expenditure of the group and the parent association for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014, the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 and the Accounting Requirements for Registered Social Landlords General Determination (Wales) 2015.

Basis for opinion

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

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Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the board members' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the association's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the board members with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The board members are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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 course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where we are required by the Co-operative or Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 to report to you if, in our opinion:

- The association has not kept adequate accounting records; or
- A satisfactory system of control over transactions has not been maintained; or
- The financial statements are not in agreement with the books of account; or
- We have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

With respect to the Board's statement on internal controls, in our opinion the Board has provided the disclosures required by the Welsh Government Circular RSL 02/10 and the statement is not inconsistent with the information of which we are aware from our audit work on the financial statements. Hendre

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Responsibilities of the board

As explained more fully in the Statement of the Board members' responsibilities set out on page 42, the board members are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the board members determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the board members are responsible for assessing the group's and parent association'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 board members either intend to liquidate the association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements. A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: https:// www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report

Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud.

We obtain and update our understanding of the entity, its activities, its control environment, and likely future developments, including in relation to the legal and regulatory framework applicable and how the entity is complying with that framework. Based on this understanding, we 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 our opinion. This includes consideration of the risk of acts by the entity that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud. Annual Report 2023/4

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Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud (cont)

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, including fraud, we designed procedures which included:

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims as well as actual, suspected and alleged fraud;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- Assessing the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations considered to have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the association through enquiry and inspection;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management bias and override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for indicators of potential bias.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or noncompliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of noncompliance. 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 control.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the association's members as a body, in accordance with section 87 of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the association's members those matters we are required to state to the members 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 association and the association's members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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Susanna Cassey (Senior Statutory Auditor) For and on behalf of Azets Audit Services 29 August 2024

Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditor

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Group statement of comprehensive income Year ended 31 March 2024

	Note	ended Mar-24 £'000	15 months ended Mar-23 £'000	
Turnover	3	70,160	80,883	
Operating expenditure	3	(63,287)	(71,242)	
Surplus on disposal of property, plant and equipment	5	449	415	
Share of (deficit)/surplus joint ventures	20	(99)	12	
Operating surplus	3	7,223	10,068	
Fair value movement on investment properties	17	-	90	
Interest receivable	6	1,254	636	
Interest and financing costs	7	(5,678)	(6,963)	
Other finance income	37	9	16	
Surplus before tax	3	2,808	3,847	
Taxation	12	-	-	
Surplus for the year		2,808	3,847	
Net actuarial adjustment in respect of pension scheme	38	1,820	(479)	
Total comprehensive income for the year		4,628	3,368	

Year 15 months

Year 15 months

Hendre Limited statement of comprehensive income Year ended 31 March 2024

	Note	Year ended Mar-24 £'000	15 months ended Mar-23 £'000
Turnover	3	736	694
Operating expenditure	3	(702)	(754)
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	3	(30)	-
Operating surplus	3	4	(60)
Fair value movement on investment properties	17	-	65
Interest receivable	6	-	-
Interest and financing costs	7	-	5
Surplus before tax	3	4	5
Taxation	12	-	5
Surplus for the year	=	4	5

Hendre Limited statement of changes to reserves As at 31 March 2024

At beginning of year	
Surplus for the year	
At end of year	

Mar-24	Mar-23
£'000	£'000
3,614	3,609
4	5
3,618	3,614

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Group statement of changes to reserves As at 31 March 2024

	ended	ended
	Mar-24	Mar-23
	£'000	£'000
At beginning of year	81,087	77,719
Surplus for the year	2,808	3,847
Net actuarial adjustment in respect of pension scheme	1,820	(479)
At end of year	85,715	81,087

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	3,614	18
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Group statement of financial position As at 31 March 2024

As at 51 March 2024	Note	Mar-24	
	Note	£'000	Mar-23 £'000
		2000	2000
Fixed assets			
Housing properties	13	409,343	382,818
Intangible assets	15	444	339
Other property, plant and equipment	16	2,669	2,729
Investment property	17	711	1,074
Homebuy loans	18	10,420	10,454
Investment in MORhomes plc	19	62	62
Investment in joint ventures	20	13,383	13,482
		437,032	410,958
Current assets			
Inventories	21	-	228
Debtors due after one year	22	7,477	7,696
Debtors due within one year	23	4,896	3,664
Treasury deposits	24	14,746	41,520
Cash at bank and in hand	24	971	264
		28,090	53,372
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	25	(21,750)	(21,662)
Net current assets		6,340	31,710
Total assets less current liabilities		443,372	442,668
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	26	(359,617)	(361,776)
Defined benefit pension asset	38	1,960	195
Net assets		85,715	81,087
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	31	-	
Revenue reserves		85,715	81,087
Group funds		85,715	81,087

Hendre Limited statement of financial position As at 31 March 2024	
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	Note	Mar-24 £'000	Mar-23 £'000
Fixed assets			
Housing properties	13	4,421	4,516
Intangible assets	15	2	12
Other property, plant and equipment	16	1,640	1,671
Investment property	17	659	1,022
Investment in MORhomes plc	19	62	62
Investment in joint venture	20	16,505	16,505
	6. K mm	23,289	23,788
Current assets			
Debtors due within one year	23	1,177	631
Cash at bank and in hand	24	2	1
		1,179	632
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	25	(311)	(226)
Net current assets		868	406
Total assets less current liabilities	2	24,157	24,194
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	26	(20,539)	(20,580)
Net assets		3,618	3,614
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital			17.75
Revenue reserves		3,618	3,614
Association's funds		3,618	3,614

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 19 August 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

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The financial statements were approved by the Board on 19 August 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Neil Davies Chair

David Michael Board Member



Secretary

Neil Davies Tracey Healey

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David Michael

Board Member

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Group statement of cash flows Year ended 31 March 2024

		Mar-24 £'000	Mar-2 £'00
Net cash generated from operating activities	a	12,571	18,87
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(33,025)	(28,17
Homebuy loans		(139)	(202
Investment in joint venture		-	
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		1,622	1,21
Grants received		6,963	27,84
Interest received		1,254	63
Net cash flows from investing activities		(23,325)	1,32
Cash flows from financing activities			
Interest paid		(5,647)	(7,42
New loans		-	5,34
Repayments of borrowings		(9,666)	(5,84
Net cash flows from financing activities		(15,313)	(7,92)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(26,067)	12,27
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		41,784	29,50
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	b	15,717	41,78

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ended

15 months

Treasury deposits: Overnight deposit 32 days deposit 35 days deposit

Cash at bank and in hand Cash and cash equivalents at end of year

Notes to the Group statement of cash flows Year ended 31 March 2024

ended			
Mar-23	a) Net cash generated from operating activities	Year	15 months
£'000		ended Mar-24	ended
		the second s	Mar-23
18,875		£'000	£'000
	Surplus for the year	2,808	3,847
(28,172)	Adjustment for non-cash items:		
(202)	Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	7,978	9,232
(202)	Impairment of properties	(426)	239
1,216	Fair value movement on investment properties	the second s	(90)
27,849	Decrease/(Increase) in inventories	228	(17)
636	(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	(1,232)	633
	Increase in creditors	1,463	1,954
1,327	Pension costs less contributions payable	55	15
	Carrying amount of property, plant & equipment disposals	1,173	801
(7,428)	Share of (deficit)/surplus joint ventures	99	(12)
5,349	Adjustments for investing or financing activities:		
(5,848)	Proceeds from the sale of property, plant and equipment	(1,622)	(1,216)
(7,927)	Government grants utilised in the year	(2,377)	(2,838)
	Interest payable	5,678	6,963
12,275	Interest received	(1,254)	(636)
29,509	Net cash generated from operating activities	12,571	18,875
41,784			19
	b) Cash and cash equivalents		
		Year	15 months
15 months		ended	ended
ended		Mar-24	Mar-23
Mar-23		£'000	£'000
£'000	Treasury deposits	14,746	41,520

ended Mar-24 £'000 £'000 Treasury deposits Cash at bank and in hand 14,462 14,520 284 13,000 14,000 c) Free cash flow 14,746 41,520 971 264 15,717 41,784

Net cash generated from operating activities	12,571	18,875
Interest paid	(5,647)	(7,428)
Interest received	1,254	636
Component replacements	(6,486)	(6,755)
Purchase of other replacement fixed assets	(711)	(714)
Free cash generated before loan repayments	981	4,614
Loans repaid (excluding revolving credit and overdrafts)	(9,666)	(5,848)
Free cash generated after loan repayments	(8,685)	(1,234)

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ended

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Notes to the Group statement of cash flows Year ended 31 March 2024

d) Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt

 d) Reconciliation of net cash flow to mover 	HOILE III HOL GONE			
			Year	15 months
			ended	ended
			Mar-24	Mar-23
			£'000	£'000
(Decrease)/Increase in cash in the year			(26,067)	12,275
Cash outflow from changes in debt			9,666	499
Movement in net debt in the year			(16,401)	12,774
Net debt at beginning of year			(92,444)	(105,218)
Net debt at end of year			(108,845)	(92,444)
e) Analysis of changes in net debt				
e) Analysis of changes in net debt		Cach	At 31	
e) Analysis of changes in net debt	At 1 April	Cash	At 31 March	
e) Analysis of changes in net debt	At 1 April 2023	Cash flows		
e) Analysis of changes in net debt			March	
	2023	flows	March 2024	
e) Analysis of changes in net debt Cash and cash equivalents Housing loans	2023 £'000	flows £'000	March 2024 £'000	

Hendre Limited statement of cash flows Year ended 31 March 2024

		ended	ended
		Mar-24 £'000	Mar-23 £'000
		£ 000	£ 000
Net cash generated from operating activities	а	351	152
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(86)	. .
Investment in joint venture			
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		357	-
Grants received			<u>12</u> 8
Net cash flows from investing activities		271	-
Cash flows from financing activities			
Inter-company loan		-	-
Inter-company debtors and creditors		(621)	(153)
Net cash flows from financing activities		(621)	(153)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		1	(1)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		1	2
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	b	2	1
		Year	15 months
		ended	ended
		Mar-24	Mar-23
		£'000	£'000
Treasury deposits:			
Overnight deposit		-	12.0
20 days danasit			

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32 days deposit 35 days deposit

Cash at bank and in hand Cash and cash equivalents at end of year

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2023/4	15 months	Year
	ended	ended
	Mar-23	lar-24
Introduction	£'000	£'000
Introduction	152	351
	<i></i>	(86)
<u>Customers</u>	123	
Guotomero	-	357
	1 <u>2</u> 3	4
	-	271
<u>Care</u>	_	
	(153)	(621)
	(153)	(621)
		(021)
<u>Support</u>	(1)	1
	2	1
	1	2
	15 months	Year
<u>Housing</u>	ended	ended
	Mar-23	lar-24
	£'000	£'000
<u>Colleagues</u>	5 <u>2</u> .8	4
	-	-
	(7 3)	-
	-	-
0	1	2
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a) Net cash generated from operating activities

		Mar-23
	Mar-24	
	£'000	£'000
Surplus for the year	4	5
Adjustment for non-cash items:		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	198	270
Fair value movement on investment properties		(65)
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors	74	(42)
Increase in creditors	86	36
Carrying amount of property, plant & equipment disposals	387	
Adjustments for investing or financing activities:		
Proceeds from the sale of property, plant and equipment	(357)	10
Government grants utilised in the year	(41)	(52)
Interest payable	-	-
Interest received	-	12
Net cash generated from operating activities	351	152
	ter and the second s	

b) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank and in hand

c) Free cash flow

	£'000
Net cash generated from operating activities	351
Purchase of other replacement fixed assets	(86)
Free cash generated before loan repayments	265
Loans repaid (excluding revolving credit and overdrafts)	-
Free cash generated after loan repayments	265
d) Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt	
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Increase/(Decrease) in cash in the year
Cash outflow from changes in debt
Movement in net debt in the year
Net debt at beginning of year
Net debt at end of year

152	351
15 months	Year
ended	ended
Mar-23	Mar-24
£'000	£'000
1	2
1	2
15 months	Year
	ended
Mar-23	Mar-24
£'000	£'000
ended	ended

Year

ended Mar-24 15 months

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Notes to the Hendre Limited statement of cash flows Year ended 31 March 2024

e) Analysis of changes in net debt

At 1 April 2023	Cash flows	At 31 March 2024
£'000	£'000	£'000
1	1	2
(4,500)	621	(3,879)
(4,499)	622	(3,877)
	2023 £'000 1 (4,500)	At 1 April 2023 £'000 £'000 1 1 (4,500) 621

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Year	15 months
ended	ended
Mar-24	Mar-23
£'000	£'000
1	(1)
621	153
622	152
(4,499)	(4,651)
(3,877)	(4,499)

Notes to the financial statements | Year ended 31 March 2024

1: Principal accounting policies

a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value, in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 (March 2018) (FRS 102) issued by the Financial Reporting Council and comply with the Statement of Recommended Practice for registered social housing providers 2018 (SORP), the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 and the Accounting Requirements for Registered Social Landlords General Determination (Wales) 2015. The Group is a public benefit entity, as defined in FRS 102 and applies the relevant paragraphs prefixed 'PBE' in FRS 102. The financial statements are presented in pound sterling and rounded to the nearest thousand unless otherwise stated. A dormant group subsidiary, Hafod Resources Ltd, is exempt from the requirements to prepare individual accounts under s394A of the Companies Act 2006, or to file individual accounts under s448A of the Companies Act 2006 because Hendre Group Ltd has provided a guarantee to the relevant subsidiary under s394C and s448C in respect of the year ended 31 March 2024.

b) Going Concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which the Board consider to be appropriate for the following reasons:

i) The Group prepares a 30-year business plan which is updated and approved on an annual basis. The most recent business plan was approved in June 2024 by the Board. As well as considering the impact of a number of scenarios on the business plan the Board also adopted a stress testing framework against the base plan. The stress testing impacts were measured against loan covenants and peak borrowing levels compared to agreed facilities, with potential mitigating actions identified to reduce expenditure.

ii) The Board, after reviewing the Group and Association budgets for 2024/25 and the Group's medium-term financial position as detailed in the 30-year business plan, is of the opinion that the Group and Association have adequate resources to continue to meet their liabilities over the period of 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements (the going concern assessment period).

iii) Consequently, the Board are confident that the Group and Association will have sufficient funds to continue to meet their liabilities as they fall due for at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements and therefore have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis.

c) Basis of consolidation

The Group financial statements consolidate the financial statements of Hendre Limited and its subsidiary undertakings drawn up to 31 March each year. Business combinations which are considered to be acquisitions are accounted for under the purchase method. Where necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring the accounting policies used into line with those used by the Group. All intra-group transactions, balances, income and expenses are eliminated on consolidation.

Combinations carried out at nil consideration are accounted for so that any excess of fair value of the assets received over the fair value of the liabilities assumed is recognised as income within the statement of comprehensive income. In accordance with Section 35 of FRS 102, Section 19 of FRS 102 has not been applied in these financial statements in respect of business combinations effected prior to the date of transition.

Entities in which the Group holds an interest that are jointly controlled by the Group and one or more of their ventures under a contractural arrangement are treated as jointly controlled entities, and accounted for using the equity method.

d) Joint Ventures

Hendre Limited accounts for Joint Ventures under the cost model in accordance with Section 15 of FRS102. The investment is initially recognised at cost and adjusted thereafter for post acquisition changes recognising distributions received from the investment as income without regard to whether the distributions are from accumulated profits of the jointly controlled entity arising before or after the date of acquisition. Annual Report 2023/4

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1: Principal accounting policies (cont)

e)Leases

A lease is classified as a finance lease if it transfers substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership. This is considered depending on the substance of the transaction rather than the form of any contract. The Hendre Group currently have no Finance Leases.

A lease is classified as an operating lease if it does not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to expenditure on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

f)Other accounting policies

The accounting policies applied in preparing these financial statements are set out in the notes that follow.

2: Significant management judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The prior year information presented in these financial statements is for the fifteen month period from 1 January 2022 to 31 March 2023 following the change to the financial year end from 31 December to 31 March. Because of this change it is important to note that prior period amounts presented in the financial statements (including the related notes) are not entirely comparable.

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates. Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected.

The following are management judgements in applying the accounting policies of the Association that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements:

Classification of financial instruments between basic and other

Financial instruments are classified as either basic or other, with differing accounting treatments depending on the classification. Section 11 of FRS 102, 'Basic Financial Instruments', sets out the requirements for the recognition, measurement and derecognition of basic financial instruments. This section sets out the conditions that must be met in order to classify a financial instrument as basic and therefore account for it in accordance with Section 11. The Association has considered this guidance and concluded that FRS 102's requirements are most appropriately interpreted to classify all financial instruments held by the Association as basic.

Development expenditure

The Group capitalises development expenditure in accordance with the accounting policy described in note 13.Distinguishing the point at which a project is more likely than not to continue, allowing capitalisation of associated development costs, requires judgement. Initial capitalisation of costs is based on management's judgement that the development scheme is confirmed and, in determining whether a project is likely to cease, management monitors the development and considers if changes have occurred that result in impairment. Hendre Annual Report 2023/4

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3 Turnover, operating surplus and surplus before taxation Group

				ended Mar-24 Surplus /	15 months ended Mar-23 Surplus /
			Operating	(deficit)	(deficit)
		Operating	surplus /	before	before
	Turnover	costs	(deficit)	taxation	taxation
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Social housing lettings:					
General needs housing	31,535	26,019	5,516	5,516	8,817
Shared ownership	301	98	203	203	244
Supported housing	9,652	8,293	1,359	1,359	1,844
Other social housing activities:					
Private sector leasing	622	978	(356)	(356)	(519)
First tranche sales	463	361	102	102	268
Residential care homes	8,673	9,288	(615)	(615)	306
Non social housing activities:					
Nursing care homes	15,560	15,403	157	157	(1,245)
Homecare	2,988	3,047	(59)	(59)	20
	69,794	63,487	6,307	6,307	9,735
Other income and expenditure	366	(200)	566	566	(94)
Surplus on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	(/		449	415
Share of (deficit)/surplus in joint venture		-		(99)	12
	70,160	63,287	6,873	7,223	10,068
Fair value movement on investment properties	-	(90
Interest receivable				1,254	636
Interest and financing costs				(5,678)	(6,963)
Other finance income				9	16
Surplus before tax				2,808	3,847
					5. TN
Hendre Limited				Year	15 months
				ended	ended
				Mar-24	Mar-23
				Surplus /	Surplus /
			Operating	(deficit)	(deficit)
		Operating	surplus /	before	before
	Turnover	costs	(deficit)	taxation	taxation
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Social housing lettings:					
Supported housing	41	95	(54)	(54)	(69)
Other in a set of the set of the set	41	95	(54)	(54)	(69)
Other income and expenditure	695	607	88	88	9
Deficit on disposal of property, plant and equipment	700	700	-	(30)	(00)
	736	702	34	4	(60)
Fair value movement on investment properties				-	65
Interest receivable				5.7 2	453
Interest and financing costs				-	
Surplus before tax				4	5

Turnover comprises:

Year 15 months

- Rent, fees and service charge income receivable in the year from tenants, residents and leaseholders (net of rent and service charge losses from voids);
- Income from other goods and services supplied in the period (excluding VAT);
- Income from homeless leasing schemes;
- Revenue grants, including amortisation of government grants; and
- COVID-19 grant income received from the Welsh Government and Local Health Boards (this does not include any
 grant received where the Group has acted as an agent); and
- Income from sale of housing property stock.

Rental income is accounted for in full weeks, prorated for opening and closing positions in the financial year. Rental income is recognised from the point when properties under development reach practical completion or otherwise become available for letting.

Income in respect of services provided is recognised when the Group or its subsiidiaries has fulfilled its contractual obligations.

Income from revenue grants is matched to associated costs and is recognised only when all conditions for receipt are met.

Traditional property sales which include home buy, shared ownership and general needs are included within surplus or deficit on the sale of fixed assets. The proceeds from the first tranche sale of low cost home ownership properties are included within turnover. Subsequent tranche sales are included within the surplus or deficit on the sale of fixed assets.

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	Socia	I housing le	ttings	Other socia	al housing a	ctivities	Non socia activ	A CONTRACTOR OF	Year	15 months	
	General needs	Shared	Supported	Private sector	First R tranche	esidential care	Nursing care		ended Mar-24	ended Mar-23	<u>Customers</u>
	housing		housing	leasing	sales	homes		Homecare	Total	Total	
	£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		£'000	£'000	
Turnover	~000	~000	~000	~ 000	~ 000	~000	~000	~000	2000	~ 0000	<u>Care</u>
Rents, fees and other charges	28,381	250	5,242	603	10 0 1	8,667	15,543	2,988	61,674	69,723	
Service charges	1,120	51	1,588	18	-		3	8	2,777	3,192	
Revenue grants	2	-	2,480		(<u>=</u>)	12	5 <u>1</u>	<u>- 1</u>	2,480	3,332	<u>Support</u>
Amortised government grant	2,034	-	342	1	3 1	-) 	-1	2,377	2,838	
COVID-19 grants	-	-	1		11 1	6	17	E H	23	566	
Sale proceeds	-	-		2 <u>—</u> 2	463	1 2	8 <u>4</u>	Ξ.	463	673	1. La constana a
_	31,535	301	9,652	622	463	8,673	15,560	2,988	69,794	80,324	<u>Housing</u>
Operating costs											
Management and service costs	10,784	61	6,162	586	5 1 2	8,375	14,708	3,047	43,723	48,844	<u>Colleagues</u>
Maintenance	9,515	4	1,048	352	(1.)	568	394		11,881	12,408	<u></u>
Bad debts	230	33	74	574	2 7.	7	(134)) H	210	455	
Deficit on replacement of property component	251	-	65	4		175	12	H.	507	239	
Depreciation of properties	5,239	-	944	36		163	423		6,805	8,238	<u>Governance</u>
Cost of sales	1.0	8 . 7	(361	7 .1		7 .1	361	405	
	26,019	98	8,293	978	361	9,288	15,403	3,047	63,487	70,589	Financial
Operating surplus / (deficit)	5,516	203	1,359	(356)	102	(615)	157	(59)	6,307	9,735	<u>Accounts</u>
Rent loss from voids (memorandum note)	233	-	162	87	-	1,439	523		2,444	2,680	

Surplus on first tranche sales comprises of two sales (Mar-23: four).

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Social	housing le	ttings		
General		-	Year ended Mar-24	15 months ended Mar-23
housing		housing	Total	Total
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	-	41	41	52
	-	41	41	52
<u></u>		95	95	121
-		95	95	121
		(54)	(54)	(69)
			-	-
	General needs housing £'000 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	General needs Shared housing ownership £'000 £'000 	needs Shared Supported housing ownership housing £'000 £'000 £'000 41 41 95 95 (54)	General Year needs Shared Supported Mar-24 housing ownership housing Total £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 - - 41 41 - - 41 41 - - 95 95 - - (54) (54)

5 Surplus on disposal of property, plant and equipment

	Gro	Group		Limited
	Year ended Mar-24 £'000		Year ended Mar-24 £'000	15 months ended Mar-23 £'000
Sale proceeds	1,622	1,216	357	
Cost of sales	(1,173)	(801)	(387)	
	449	415	(30)	-

Surplus on disposal of property, plant and equipment comprises of 12 (Mar-23: 18) traditional staircasing sales and disposals resulting in a surplus of £479k (Mar-23: £415k). One investment property was disposed of during the year resulting in a loss of £30k.

6 Interest receivable

	Group		Hendre Limited	
	Year	15 months	Year	15 months
	ended	ended	ended	ended
	Mar-24	Mar-23	Mar-24	Mar-23
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Bank interest receivable	1,254	636	_	
7 Interest and financing costs				

	Gro	oup	Hendre Limited	
	Year ended Mar-24		Year ended Mar-24	15 months ended Mar-23
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Bank loans	5,678	6,963		1

During the year, on 28 March 2024, a loan of £6m was settled in full, resulting in a gain of £327k, which is netted off against the interest payable value noted above.

Borrowing costs are interest and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowing of funds. Borrowing costs are calculated using the effective interest rate, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of a financial instrument and is determined on the basis of the carrying amount of the financial liability at initial recognition. Under the effective interest method, the amortised cost of a financial liability is the present value of future cash payments discounted at the effective interest rate and the interest expense in a period equals the carrying amount of the financial liability at the beginning of a period multiplied by the effective interest rate for the period.

The Group does not capitalise any interest costs associated with its development activity.

8 Surplus on ordinary activities before taxation

	Group		Hendre Limited	
	Year ended Mar-24	15 months ended Mar-23	Year ended Mar-24	15 months ended Mar-23
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Surplus on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging/(crediting):				
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	7,457	8,992	184	270
Amortised government grant	(2,377)	(2,838)	-	=
Surplus on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(449)	(415)	12	2
Audit fees:				
- Statutory audit	60	45	6	5
- Audit related assurance services	19	6	7	2
Operating lease rentals	2,748	2,108	2	2

9 Units in management

Group

	Mar-23 Number	Adjustments	Additions	Disposals	Mar-24 Number
General needs	4,606	20	95	(5)	4,716
Shared ownership	81	100	-	(3)	78
Supported housing	482	17	15	(4)	510
Private sector leasing and lettings	112	(34)	323	(69)	9
Residential care homes	194		(20)	6.55 M 20	194
Nursing care homes (non-social lettings)	239		-	-	239
Homebuy	333		2	(5)	330
Leaseholders	161	(3)	323		158
	6,208	-	112	(86)	6,234
Hendre Limited					
	Mar-23 Number	Adjustments	Additions	Disposals	Mar-24 Number
Supported housing	37		-		37
	37	-	-	-	37

In addition to bed spaces and units in management the Group also provides floating support, tenant support and homecare services to 996 (Mar-23: 706) clients.

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10 Employee information

The average number of staff employed during the year was as follows:

	Group		Hendre Limited		
	Year ended Mar-24 Number	15 months ended Mar-23 Number	Year ended Mar-24 Number	15 months ended Mar-23 Number	
The average number of staff employed during the year was	1,202	1,210	-	12	
The total number of staff employed at the end of the year was	1,181	1,165	-	-	
The full time equivalent number of staff employed at the end of the year was	842	856			
Finance and Corporate Services	191	181			
Development Services	10	9			
Housing	41	44			
Care	496	520			
Support	104	102			
	842	856			

The total costs for the staff employed was as follows:

	Group		Hendre Limited	
	Year	15 months	Year	15 months
	ended	ended	ended	ended
	Mar-24	Mar-23	Mar-24	Mar-23
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Wages and salaries	25,159	30,034	-	
Social security costs	2,047	2,429	-	S.
Apprenticeship Levy	115	142		12
Pension costs	1,575	1,433	-	-
	28,896	34,038	-	-

Included in the wages and salaries reported above is an accrual for all outstanding benefits to which employees (including senior executives) have become entitled to at the year end as a result of their service, including holiday pay and redundancy. The total accrued as at 31 March 2024 was £759,761 (Mar-23: £424,800). Senior executives do not have any entitlement to enhanced benefits.

The charge for pension represents contributions paid by the Group to the pension schemes. Outstanding amounts payable to the schemes at the year end were £632,530 (Mar-23: £324,091).

11 Members' and key management personnel emoluments

For the purpose of this note, members and key management personnel refer to the senior executives contracted and employed by the Hendre Group as outlined in the annual report.

The Group's Senior Executives are ordinary members of the Group's defined contribution pension scheme. No enhanced or special terms apply to their membership and the Group makes no contribution to any individual pension arrangement in respect of their employment.

Emoluments, including benefits in kind, payable to key management personnel of the Group were as follows for the 12 month period to 31 March 2024 (Mar-23: 15 months).

	Year ended Mar-24	15 months ended Mar-23
	£'000	£'000
Emoluments	969	1,110
Pension contributions	87	94
Total emoluments	1,056	1,204

Included in the emoluments outlined above, the following values were paid to non-executive Board members who are employed by Hendre Limited, including benefits in kind, for the 12 month period to 31 March 2024 (Mar-23: 15 months).

	Year ended Mar-24	15 months ended Mar-23
	£'000	£'000
Emoluments	154	155
Pension contributions		/-
Total emoluments	154	155

Emoluments payable to the Group Chief Executive Officer for the 12 month period to 31 March 2024 (Mar-23: 15 months).

	Year ended Mar-24	15 months ended Mar-23
	£'000	£'000
Emoluments	154	182
Pension contributions	19	21
Total emoluments	173	203

The full time equivalent number of Senior Executives who received emoluments (excluding pension contributions) were in the following ranges on an annualised basis:

	Year	15 months
	ended	ended
	Mar-24	Mar-23
	Number	Number
£80,001 - £90,000	1	2
£90,001 - £100,000	1	1
£100,001 - £110,000	1	1
£110,001 - £120,000	3	1
£120,001 - £130,000	1	1
£130,001 - £140,000	7.	1
£140,001 - £150,000		1
£150,001 - £160,000	1	

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11 Members' and key management personnel emoluments (continued)

Board and Committee Members of the Hendre Group are remunerated under a deed of services agreement, in accordance with guidance issued by Community Housing Cymru.

The aggregate emoluments paid or receivable by Members was £154,080 (Mar-23: £157,303):

						Customers		
Name	£	Hendre Board	Housing Board	Finance Risk and Audit committee		Schedule 1 committee	Pension committee	<u>Care</u>
Mr N Davies (Chair HEN)	14,000	√			✓		\checkmark	
Mr M Jones (Chair HHA)	11,000	\checkmark	✓			\checkmark		<u>Support</u>
Mrs T Beggs	11,000	\checkmark					\checkmark	
Mr C Breeze	11,000	\checkmark			\checkmark	\checkmark		
Mr D Michael	11,000	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark			\checkmark	Housing
Ms S Anastasi	8,000		\checkmark			\checkmark		<u>-riouoini</u> g
Ms F Aslam	8,000		\checkmark		\checkmark			
Mr M Bin-Sufyan	8,000	\checkmark	\checkmark					0.11
Mrs T Donnelly	8,000	\checkmark	\checkmark					<u>Colleagues</u>
Mrs K Howells (retired June 2024 under 9 year rule)	8,000		\checkmark			\checkmark		
Ms CE Hughes	8,000		\checkmark	\checkmark				
Mrs D Jones (retired June 2024 under 9 year rule)	8,000	\checkmark			\checkmark			<u>Governance</u>
Ms RM Merrill (resigned April 2024)	8,000		\checkmark	\checkmark				
Ms H Northmore	8,000		\checkmark		\checkmark			
Mr H Russell	8,000		\checkmark			\checkmark		<u>Financial</u>
Mr D Warrender	8,000	\checkmark		\checkmark				<u>Accounts</u>
Mr R Alexander	2,500			\checkmark				
Mr P Allbrook	2,500			\checkmark				
Mr C Fitzek (resigned May 2023)	2,500				\checkmark			
Mr W Lewis	2,500				\checkmark			
Mr M Veale	2,500			\checkmark				

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11 Members' and key management personnel emoluments (continued) Expenses paid during the year to Board and Committee Members amounted to nil (Mar-23: nil).

13 Housing properties

Group

Cost

At beginning of year

At beginning of year

At beginning of year

At end of year

Depreciation

Charge for year

At end of year

Net book value

At beginning of year

At end of year

Additions to properties in the year

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12 Taxation

Hendre Limited is registered for VAT and charges VAT on its income and is able to recover VAT on its expenditure which is recorded net of VAT.

All the subsidiaries, except Yellow Wales, are VAT registered but a large proportion of their income is exempt for VAT purposes and this therefore gives rise to a partial exemption calculation. Expenditure is therefore shown inclusive of VAT, and the input VAT recovered is included in income.

The surpluses of Hendre Limited and the subsidiaries are exempt from taxation as they are accepted as charities for tax purposes with the exception of Hafod Resources Limited whose profits are subject to corporation tax.

	Group		Hendre Limited	
	Year ended Mar-24 £'000	15 months ended Mar-23 £'000	Year ended Mar-24 £'000	15 months ended Mar-23 £'000
Surplus on ordinary activities before tax	2,808	3,847	4	5
Surplus on ordinary activities multiplied by the effective rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2023: 19%)	534	731	1	1
Effects of:				
Surpluses from tax exempt income	(534)	(731)	(1)	(1)
Fixed asset differences	-	-	-	-
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	-	10 7 1	. .	-
Income not taxable for tax purposes	-	-		5
Adjustment to tax charge in respect of previous periods	-	1020	-	<u></u>
Adjust closing deferred tax to average rate of 19%	-		-	-
Adjust opening deferred tax to average rate of 19%	-	10 7 5	-	-
Deferred tax not recognised	-			
Tax charge for the year	- A	-	-10	-

Group			
			Completed
	Completed	Under	shared
	properties	construction	ownership
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cost			
At beginning of year	425,662	28,024	2,421
Additions to properties in the year	649	24,879	1 L
Section 106 agreements and donated land	2,384	-	-
Schemes completed in the year	15,688	(15,688)	-
Components replaced in the year	6,069	-	
Disposal of properties in the year	(595)		(88)
Disposal of components in the year	(1,458)	-	-
Impairment of properties	-	426	
Transfer to Investment Property	70	-	-
Reclassification of assets from Homebuy		-	
At end of year	448,399	37,641	2,333
Depreciation			
At beginning of year	73,289		-
Charge for year	6,805	-	-
Disposal of properties in the year	(113)		12
Disposal of components in the year	(951)		-
Transfer to Investment Property		-	-
At end of year	79,030	120 120	<u>a</u>
Net book value			
At end of year	369,369	37,641	2,333

352,373

Year 15 months ended ended Completed Mar-24 Mar-23 Under Completed shared Total Total properties construction ownership £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 5,400 5,400 5,400 --5,400 5,400 5,400 -884 884 763 -95 95 121 -979 979 884 120 9 4,421 4,421 4,516 4,516 4,516 4,637 -1

28,024

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Year

ended

Mar-24

Total

£'000

456,107

25,528

2,384

6,069

(683)

426

(1,458)

488,373

73.289

6,805

(113)

(951)

79,030

409,343

382,818

2,421

15 months

ended

Mar-23

Total

£'000

427,404

22,380

1,468

6,565

(393)

(1,078)

(239)

(34)

456,107

65,961

8,238

(64)

(839)

73,289

382,818

361,443

(7)

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In addition to the components replaced in the year, a further £0.9m was spent on major repairs (excluding overheads) and has been written off to the statement of comprehensive income (Mar-23: £1.8m). Physical adaptation works (PAG's) and buy back of properties capitalised in the year amounted to £0.5m (Mar-23 £1.4m).

Properties for letting are stated at historic cost less depreciation. Cost includes the cost of acquiring land and buildings and development costs. Where land or buildings are acquired at below market value e.g. as part of a Section 106 agreement (under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990), the carrying value reflects the fair value of the asset received, with the subsidy implicit in the arrangement deemed as grant. Surpluses or deficits resulting from the sale of properties are shown in the statement of comprehensive income under surpluses/deficits from the sale of property, plan and equipment.

Direct development administration costs capitalised in the year amounted to £0.6m (Mar-23: £0.6m). Costs which are directly attributable to the development activity are capitalised including any third party legal, professional or consultancy costs incurred directly in bringing a project into management. The Association does not capitalise any interest costs associated with its development activity.

Direct maintenance administration costs capitalised in the year amounted to £0.3m (Mar-23: 0.3m) and are included in the components replaced in the year values above. Costs are capitalised as described under section 17 of FRS102.

The Group charges depreciation on properties for letting and capitalised components on a straight line basis in order tc write off the asset's cost less residual value over its useful economic life.

The above figures exclude the Group's investment in WHP (see note 20).

Where a property for letting comprises two or more major components with substantially different useful economic lives, each component is accounted for separately and is depreciated over its individual useful economic life. Expenditure relating to replacement or renewal of components is capitalised as incurred.

Depreciation on properties for letting is charged from the beginning of the year following the property entering into management. Depreciation on capitalised components is charged from the beginning of the year following the replacement of a capitalised component.

Depreciation is charged on a straight line basis over the assets expected useful economic life as follows:

Component	General needs and supported housing	Residential and nursing homes
Property structure	100 years or the period of lease	50 years or the period of lease
Kitchens	15 years	30 years
Bathrooms	25 years	25 years
Heating systems	15 years	20 years
Electrics	35 years	35 years
Window and doors	30 years	30 years
Roof	65 years	50 years
Roofline	30 years	30 years
Photovoltaic Panels	25 years	25 years
External Wall Insulation	30 years	30 years
Lifts	20 years	20 years
Physical adaptions	20 years	n/a
Fire Compartmentation	100 years or the remaining life of the asset	50years or the remaining life of the asset
Conversions	20 years	20 years

Shared ownership properties are not depreciated as the residual value, which is the estimated amount that would currently be obtained from sale, is not less than the carrying value. All properties are split between fixed and current assets in line with the expectation relating to the first tranche sale percentage. The expected first tranche proportion is classified as a current asset until the point of the first tranche sale. The current asset is then transferred to cost of sales and matched against the sale proceeds within the operating surplus in the statement of comprehensive income. Any operating surplus is restricted to the overall surplus which takes account of the Existing Use Value - Social Housing (EUV-SH) of the remaining fixed asset element.

The remaining element of the asset is classified as a fixed asset and included in the housing properties as cost less social housing grant, less any provision for depreciation or impairment.

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14 Impairment review

Properties held for their social benefit are not held solely for the cash inflows they generate and are held for their service potential. An assessment is made at each reporting date as to whether an indicator of impairment exists. If such an indicator exists, an impairment assessment is carried out and an estimate of the recoverable amount of the asset is made. Where the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its recoverable amount, an impairment loss is recognised in surplus or deficit in the statement of comprehensive income. The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher of its value in use and fair value less costs to sell. Where assets are held for their service potential, value in use is determined by the present value of the asset's remaining service potential plus the net amount expected to be received from its disposal. Depreciated replacement cost is taken as a suitable measurement model.

An impairment provision which was provided in the prior year financial statements has been reversed at Former Cowbridge Grammar School due to a positive outcome around the planning process. An impairment loss has been reversed in respect of the Leckwith Car Sales development site where the original contractor had gone into administration. Additional grant funding from WG was received resulting in a positive NPV after reassessment of the financial viability.

The Group is satisfied, by consideration of a number of factors, that there is no indication of impairment to any category of assets other than stated above, and thus considers that a full, detailed impairment evaluation is not required. In arriving at this conclusion the Group has considered the current level of demand for property across all areas and property types, the low level of void losses, current and projected cash flows, and the ongoing investment in property maintenance and improvement.

15 Intangible assets

	Group		Hendre Limited		
	Year ended	15 months ended	Year ended	15 months ended	
	Mar-24	Mar-23	Mar-24	Mar-23	
	Total	Total	Total	Total	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Cost					
At beginning of year	995	882	412	412	
Additions during year	270	113	-	-	
Disposals during year	(66)	-	(66)	-	
At end of year	1,199	995	346	412	
Amortisation					
At beginning of year	656	515	400	385	
Amortised in year	165	141	10	15	
Disposals during year	(66)	-	(66)	-	
At end of year	755	656	344	400	
Net book value					
At end of year	444	339	2	12	
At beginning of year	339	367	12	27	

Intangible assets relates to computer software and direct digital development costs and is stated at historic cost less accumulated depreciation. The Association charges depreciation on a straight line basis in order to write off the asset's cost less residual value over its useful economic life which ranges from 4 to 10 years depending on the software requirement. Hendre Annual Report 2023/4

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16 Other property, plant and equipment Group

Group					
			Computers	Year	15 months
			furniture	ended	ended
	Office	Service	and	Mar-24	Mar-23
	property	equipment	equipment	Total	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cost					
At beginning of year	2,484	1,139	6,077	9,700	9,099
Additions during year	62	3	376	441	601
Disposals during year	(45)		(831)	(876)	12
At end of year	2,501	1,142	5,622	9,265	9,700
Depreciation					
At beginning of year	970	828	5,173	6,971	6,358
Charge for year	39	55	393	487	613
Disposals during year	(31)	-	(831)	(862)	5
At end of year	978	883	4,735	6,596	6,971
Net book value					
At end of year	1,523	259	887	2,669	2,729
At beginning of year	1,514	311	904	2,729	2,741
Hendre Limited			Computers,	Year	15 months
			furniture	ended	ended
	Office	Service	and	Mar-24	Mar-23
	property	equipment	equipment	Total	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cost		A DESCRIPTION OF THE OWNER OF	100 million (100 million)		
At beginning of year	2.484		1.015	3,499	3,499
Additions during year	62		-	62	-
Disposals during year	(45)	-	(282)	(327)	12
At end of year	2,501	-	733	3,234	3,499
Depreciation				19922	
At beginning of year	970	()	858	1,828	1,694
Charge for year	39	-	40	79	134
Disposals during year	(31)	120	(282)	(313)	-
At end of year	978	-	616	1,594	1,828
Net book value					
At end of year	1,523		117	1,640	1,671
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Other property, plant and equipment is stated at historic cost less accumulated depreciation. The Group charges depreciation on a straight line basis in order to write off the asset's cost less residual value over its useful economic life. The principal asset lives on which depreciation is based are:

Office buildings	50 year
Computer equipment	5 years
Service equipment	5 - 10 y
Equipment, furniture and fittings	4 - 10 y
Air conditioning	15 year
Telephone switchboard	15 year

50 years 5 years 5 - 10 years 4 - 10 years 15 years 15 years Hendre Annual Report 2023/4

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17 Investment property

	Group		Hendre Limited	
	Year	15 months	Year	15 months
	ended	ended	ended	ended
	Mar-24	Mar-23	Mar-24	Mar-23
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
At beginning of year	1,074	957	1,022	957
Transfer from housing properties	-	27	12	1. S
Additions during year	24	-	24	120
Disposals during year	(387)	-	(387)	5 4 .5
Fair value movement on investment properties	-	90	-	65
At end of year	711	1,074	659	1,022

The classification of properties as investment property or housing properties is based upon the intended use of the property. Properties held to earn commercial rentals or for capital appreciation or both are classified as investment properties. Properties that are used for administrative purposes or that are held for the provision of social housing are treated as housing properties. Mixed use property is separated between investment property and housing properties. Investment properties are measured at fair value annually with any change recognised in surplus or deficit in the statement of comprehensive income.

18 Homebuy loans

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Homebuy loans relate to properties which the Group has funded under the Homebuy option scheme. The investment is secured by a second charge over each property. The occupier of each property has the right to acquire the Group's investment at market value. Homebuy loans are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs and are susequently measured at fair value through surplus in the statement of comprehensive income.

	Gro	oup	Hendre	Limited
	Year	15 months	Year	15 months
	ended	ended	ended	ended
	Mar-24	Mar-23	Mar-24	Mar-23
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
At beginning of year	10,454	10,731	-	
Additions	139	202	-	8773
Disposals	(173)	(445)	12	121
Reclassification of assets to general needs	-	(34)	-	
At end of year	10,420	10,454		8.51

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Hendre Limited held no Homebuy loans at the end of the year (Mar-23: nil).

Surpluses or deficits resulting from the sale of fixed asset investments are shown in the statement of comprehensive income under surpluses/deficits from the sale of property, plant and equipment.

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19 Investment in MORhomes plc

	ended
	Mar-24
	£'000
At beginning of year	62
Shares acquired in the year	75
At end of year	62

Hendre Limited has an investment in MORhomes plc, which is owned by a number of housing associations. MORhomes plc aims to issue debt listed on the London stock exchange and on-lend those funds as loans to housing associations. The intention is that surpluses will be returned as dividends. It is not currently possible to measure the fair value of this investment and it is therefore stated at cost less impairment.

20 Investment in joint ventures

During 2011, Hendre, established The Welsh Housing Partnership Limited ("WHP"), a Jointly Controlled Entity with three other Welsh Registered Social Landlords.

During 2017, Hendre, established WHP2, a Jointly Controlled Entity with three other Welsh Registered Social Landlords.

The investment made by Hendre Limited in these two Jointly Controlled Entities are summarised as follows:

WHP	WHP2	Total
£'000	£'000	£'000
5,714	7,768	13,482
-	×	-
16	(115)	(99)
5,730	7,653	13,383
WHP	WHP2	Total
£'000	£'000	£'000
8,880	7,625	16,505
_		-
8,880	7,625	16,505
	£'000 5,714 16 5,730 WHP £'000 8,880	£'000 £'000 5,714 7,768 16 (115) 5,730 7,653 WHP WHP2 £'000 £'000 8,880 7,625

Hendre holds 30% of the shares in WHP and WHP2. The other investors and their holdings are as follows:

Pennant Housing Association Limited	30%
Pobl Group Limited	30%
Grŵp Cynefin	10%

Shares have voting rights and the entitlement to benefit from dividends and any receipt on dissolution. Hendre has the right to nominate a member to the Board of WHP and WHP2. A partnership agreement sets out the respective rights and obligations of the investors in respect of the strategic and operational conduct of WHP and WHP2.

Grou	IP .	Hendre L	imited
Mar-24	Mar-23	Mar-24	Mar-23
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
12	228	_	12

Housing properties under the course of construction that are being developed for sale or first tranche shared ownership are treated as housing stock and presented within current assets.

There are no properties awaiting sale at 31 March 2024 (Mar-23: two properties).

21 Inventories

Housing properties

Year 15 months

ended Mar-23 £'000

62

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22 Debtors due after more than one year

	Grou	Group		imited
	Mar-24	Mar-23	Mar-24	Mar-23
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Housing Finance Grant	7,362	7,581	-	2
CoCo Debt	115	115	-	-
	7,477	7,696	-	-

Housing Finance Grant (HFG) is paid by the Welsh Government towards the costs of housing assets over a period of 30 years to subsidise the capital and interest costs for the provision of affordable housing. The net present value of the HFG receivable over the agreed payment term is recognised as a capital grant and a deferred debtor. Upon receipt of the grant payments, the debtor decreases by the capital element and the difference between this and the amount of grant received is credited to surplus or deficit in the statement of comprehensive income as a contribution towards the financing cost of that scheme. The discount rate used for the net present value calculations is the same rate that applies to the associated borrowing to fund the housing assets. The capital grant element of HFG previously received is deemed to be repayable upon disposal of a related housing asset. This is treated as recycled capital grant in the recycled capital grant fund and included in the statement of financial position as a creditor.

The CoCo Debt takes the form of a convertible loan note instrument which provides for the issue of notes (the CoCo Notes) which represent a debt owed by MORhomes plc. The CoCo Notes will convert from debt to shares in MORhomes upon certain prescribed events occurring.

23 Debtors due within one year

	Group		Hendre Limited	
	Mar-24 £'000	Mar-23 £'000	Mar-24 £'000	Mar-23 £'000
Arrears of rent and service charges	3,308	2,796		2
Less: provision for bad and doubtful debts	(1,779)	(1,607)	-	₹.
	1,529	1,189	-	2
Housing Finance Grant	545	545		
Trade debtors	449	592	32	115
Other debtors and prepayments	2,373	1,338	24	15
Inter-company debtors	100 L 10	-	1,121	501
	4.896	3,664	1,177	631

The Group adopts a policy for making full provision for all arrears owed by former tenants plus full provision for all current tenant arrears in excess of eight weeks old at the balance sheet date.

24 Cash and cash equivalents

Treasury deposits:	
Overnight deposit	
32 days deposit	
35 days deposit	

Cash at bank and in hand

of changes in value.

 15,717
 41,784
 2
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 Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits, together with other short term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk

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Mar-23

£'000

14,520

13,000

14.000

41.520

264

Mar-24

£'000

14,462

14,746

971

284

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Mar-23

£'000

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Mar-24

£'000

2

The Group's treasury management risks are managed under the umbrella of the Group's Treasury Management policy. Under the Group's policy, surplus cash generated by members of the Group is pooled within Hafod Housing Association Limited and placed on deposit with approved counter-parties in line with the credit risk policy.

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25 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

Group		Hendre Limited	
Mar-24	Mar-23	Mar-24	Mar-23 £'000
2000	£ 000	2000	£ 000
30	34	2	623
2,315	3,182	÷	2000
405	374	5	8573
2,532	2,378	41	41
1,351	2,068	<u>2</u> ;	(14)
1,384	1,801	÷	100
1,110	669	7.	8573
2,442	2,638	22	22
2,805	2,216	105	95
7,376	6,302	165	89
		7.	1
21,750	21,662	311	226
	Mar-24 £'000 30 2,315 405 2,532 1,351 1,384 1,110 2,442 2,805 7,376	Mar-24 Mar-23 £'000 £'000 30 34 2,315 3,182 405 374 2,532 2,378 1,351 2,068 1,384 1,801 1,110 669 2,442 2,638 2,805 2,216 7,376 6,302	Mar-24 Mar-23 Mar-24 £'000 £'000 £'000 30 34 - 2,315 3,182 - 405 374 - 2,532 2,378 41 1,351 2,068 - 1,384 1,801 - 2,442 2,638 - 2,805 2,216 105 7,376 6,302 165

Included in other creditors and accruals is a dilapidation provision of £66k in respect of the closure of a homelessness and refugee accomodation service where properties are being returned after having been leased from private landlords.

26 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	Group		Hendre L	imited
	Mar-24 £'000	Mar-23 £'000	Mar-24 £'000	Mar-23 £'000
Housing loans (see note 28)	122,247	131,046	7.	10
Government grants - housing properties (see note 29)	232,267	225,840	15,539	15,580
Recycled capital grant fund (see note 30)	2,144	1,889	22	622
Homebuy grants (see note 31)	2,959	3,001	-	1.00
Inter-company loan	-	-	5,000	5,000
	359,617	361,776	20,539	20,580

As at 31 March 2024, Hendre Limited was in receipt of a public benefit entity concessionary loan of £5m from Hafod Housing Association Limited (Mar-23: £5m).

27 Housing loans

Housing loans are secured by specific charges on the Group's properties. The interest rates are fixed at between 0.0% and 10.2% or vary with market rates.

	Group		Hendre Limited	
	Mar-24	Mar-23	Mar-24	Mar-
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'0
Repayable by instalments due as follows:				
Between one and two years	1,594	4,314	-	
Between two and five years	6,399	8,128	-	
After five years	114,478	118,604	-	
	122,471	131,046	-	
Within one year	2,315	3,182	-	
	124,786	134,228	-	
Less unamortised transaction costs	(224)			
	124,562	134,228	- 0	

A £1m interest free loan was received by Hafod Housing Association Limited from Welsh Government in March 2022 and is repayable in March 2025.

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Group	Completed properties	Under	Completed shared ownership	Investment in JV	Year ended Mar-24 Total	15 months ended Mar-23 Total
	£'000	£'000	000'£	£'000	£'000	£'000
At beginning of year	204,435	40,509	1,169	12,127	258,240	228,840
Receipts	397	6,347	100 0000		6,744	28,093
Section 106 agreements and donated land	2,384	12	523	6210	2,384	1,466
Schemes completed in year	9,019	(9,019)	5 -5		000 L	
Disposal of properties	(157)	-	(55)	-	(212)	(159)
Reclassification	1,042	(1,042)	20 K 20	1.50		
At end of year	217,120	36,795	1,114	12,127	267,156	258,240
Amortisation						
At beginning of year	29,740	<u>ц</u>	220		29,740	27,215
Re-categorisation	-	ন	6 :	. 	-	-
Amortised to statement of comprehensive income	2,365		100	1 3 3	2,365	2,838
Disposal of properties	(27)	12	82	120	(27)	(31)
At end of year	32,078	-			32,078	30,022
Net book value						
At end of year	185,042	36,795	1,114	12,127	235,078	228,218
At beginning of year	174,695	40,509	1,169	12,127	228,500	201,625
Due within one year (see note 26)					2,532	2,378
Due after more than one year (see note 27)					232,267	225,840
Total government grants					234,799	228,218

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	Completed	Under constructio	Completed shared	Investment	ended Mar-24	ended Mar-23
	properties	n	ownership	in JV	Total	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
At beginning of year	3,891	-	11	12,127	16,018	16,018
Receipts	12	2	12	224	-	23
At end of year	3,891	-	12	12,127	16,018	16,018
Amortisation						
At beginning of year	397)÷	38	(- 3)	397	345
Amortised to statement of comprehensive income	41	=		-	41	52
At end of year	438				438	397
Net book value						
At end of year	3,453	2	<u></u>	12,127	15,580	15,621
At beginning of year	3,494	-	14	12,127	15,621	15,673
Due within one year (see note 26)					41	41
Due after more than one year (see note 27)					15,539	15,580
Total government grants					15,580	15,621

Government grants, including social housing grant (SHG) received from the Welsh Government, relating to the acquisition and development of the Group's housing properties are accounted for under the accrual model and recognised in turnover over the expected useful life of the housing property structure (see note15). Where land or buildings are acquired at below market value e.g. as part of a Section 106 agreement (under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990), the carrying value reflects the fair value of the asset received, with the subsidy implicit in the arrangement deemed as grant.

As at 31 March 2024, the Group had received £12.127m (Mar-23: £12.127m) in social housing grant (SHG) from the Welsh Government in relation to the investment in its joint venture, the Welsh Housing Partnership. The grant is treated as deferred income until the benefits of the grant are realised.

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29 Recycled capital grant fund

	Gr	oup	Hendre Limited	
	Year ended Mar-24 £'000	15 months ended Mar-23 £'000	Year ended Mar-24 £'000	15 months ended Mar-23 £'000
At beginning of year	1,889	2,031	_	ж.
Inputs to recycled capital grant fund	255	313		
Recycling of grant		(455)	5 <u>2</u> 5	Ξ.
At end of year	2,144	1,889		

Where there is a requirement to either repay or recycle a grant received for an asset that has been disposed of, a provision is included in the statement of financial position to recognise this obligation as a liability. When approval is received from the funding body to use the grant for a specific development, the amount previously recognised as a provision for the recycling of the grant is reclassified as a creditor in the statement of financial position. There is no recycled capital grant fund repayable within 12 months.

30 Homebuy grants

	Gr	oup	Hendre Limited	
	Year ended Mar-24	15 months ended Mar-23	Year ended Mar-24	15 months ended Mar-23
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
At beginning of year	3,001	3,156	17	5
Additions	-	1573	276	凤
Disposals	(42)	(155)	-	
At end of year	2,959	3,001	-	-

A Homebuy grant was provided by the Welsh Government to fund all or part of a Homebuy loan (see note 19) provided by Hafod Housing Association Limited to the purchaser of the housing property. When the Homebuy loan is redeemed the respective Homebuy grant is recognised in the recycled capital grant fund.

31 Non equity share capital

	Tenure	Linneu
	Year	15 months ended
	Mar-24	Mar-23
	£	£
Shares of £1 each fully paid and issued at par		
At beginning of year	17	17
Shares issued during the year	-	4
Shares redeemed/(forfeited) during the year	(2)	(4)
At end of year	15	17

The shares provide members with the right to vote at general meetings, but do not provide any rights to dividends, redemption or distributions on a winding up.

32 Financial instruments

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Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. The carrying value of the Group's financial assets and liabilities are summarised by category below:

Financial assets measured at undiscounted amount receivable

Short term debtors with no stated interest rate receivable within one year are recorded at transaction price; any changes are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

Where loans are made or received between a public benefit entity within the Group at below the prevailing market rate of interest that are not repayable on demand and are for the purposes to further the objectives of the public benefit entity, these loans are treated as concessionary loans and are recognised in the statement of financial position at the amount paid or received and the carrying amount adjusted to reflect any accrued interest payable or receivable.

	Group		Hendre L	imited
	Mar-24 Mar-		Mar-24	Mar-23
	£	£	£	£
Rent arrears (see note 24)	1,529	1,189	:	-
Trade debtors (see note 24)	449	592	32	115
Inter-company debtors (see note 24)	-		1,121	501
Cash and cash equivalents (see note 25)	15,717	41,784	2	1
	17,695	43,565	1,155	617

Financial assets measured at amortised cost

Financial assets are initially recognised at fair value plus directly attributable transaction costs. After initial recognition, they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Discounting is omitted where the effect of discounting is immaterial. If there is objective evidence that there is an impairment loss, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate. The carrying amount of the asset is reduced accordingly. A financial asset is derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows expire, or when the financial asset and all substantial risks and reward are transferred. If an arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, the financial asset is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

	Group		Hendre L	imited
	Mar-24 £'000	Mar-23 £'000	Mar-24 £'000	Mar-23 £'000
Housing Finance Grant (see notes 23 and 24)	7,907	8,126	_	-
CoCo Debt (see note 23)	115	115	-	52
	8.022	8.241	2	2

Financial liabilities measured at undiscounted amount payable

Short term creditors with no stated interest rate receivable within one year are recorded at transaction price; any changes from impairment are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

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	Group		Hendre L	imited
	Mar-24	Mar-23	Mar-24	Mar-23
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Interest on housing loans (see note 26)	405	374	540	9
Capital expenditure - properties for letting (see note 26)	1,351	2,068		-
Capital expenditure - replacement components (see note 26)	1,384	1,801	-	-
Capital retentions greater than 90 days (see note 26)	1,110	669	5 <u>4</u> 5	<u></u>
Trade creditors (see note 26)	2,442	2,638	-	
Inter-company loan	-		5,000	5,000
Inter-company creditors (see note 26)	-		_	1
	6,692	7,550	5,000	5,001

Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost

Non-current debt instruments which meet the necessary conditions in FRS 102, are initially recognised at fair value adjusted for any directly attributable transaction cost and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, with interest-related charges recognised as an expense in finance costs in the statement of comprehensive income. Discounting is omitted where the effect of discounting is immaterial. A financial liability is derecognised only when the contractual obligation is extinguished, that is, when the obligation is discharged, cancelled or expires.

	Gre	Group		Limited
	Mar-24	Mar-23	Mar-24	Mar-23
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Housing loans (see note 26 and 27)	124,786	134,228	-	

Interest income and expense

The Group's income and expense in respect of financial instruments are summarised below:

	Gro	Group		Limited
	Year	15 months	Year	15 months
	ended	ended	ended	ended
	Mar-24	Mar-23	Mar-24	Mar-23
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Interest receivable	1,254	636	-	÷
Interest and financing costs	(5,678)	(6,963)	-	2
	(4,424)	(6,327)	-	-

33 Capital commitments

	Group		Hendre Limited	
	Mar-24 £'000	Mar-23 £'000	Mar-24 £'000	Mar-23 £'000
Expenditure contracted less certified	34,736	45,103	-	×
Expenditure authorised by the Board but not contracted	17,669	2,744	-	5
	52,405	47,847	- 14 -	

The Board expects that any expenditure it has authorised will be fully financed by grants, mortgage, loans and reserves.

34 Contingent liabilities

In March 2024 The Hendre Group became aware that it may not have been fully compliant with potential legal obligations arising under the Renting Homes (Wales) Act 2016 ("the Act") and the Renting Homes (Fitness for Human Habitation) (Wales) Regulations 2022 (as amended) ("the Regulations") at the year end. On identification of the issue, immediate steps were taken to ensure compliance with legal obligations as the Association is currently able to understand them. A number of Registered Social Landlords have have issued a claim in the High Court to seek a series of declarations as to the correct meaning and interpretation of the potential obligations. The Association has assessed that the likelihood of an outflow of resources to settle this potential liability following the legal proceedings is less than probable but (acknowledging the inherent uncertainty with such legal proceedings) is more than remote.

A high level of uncertainty remains because the interpretation of the requirements under the Act and Regulations needs clarification which will only be possible following determination of the proceedings that are currently before the High Court, hence any financial effect cannot currently be measured with sufficient reliability at this time.

35 Operating leases

At 31 March 2024 the Group had total commitments under operating leases in respect of leased properties, office premises, equipment and vehicles as follows:

	Gro	Group		Limited
	Year ended Mar-24 £'000	15 months ended Mar-23 £'000	Year ended Mar-24 £'000	15 months ended Mar-23 £'000
Payments due:				
No later than one year	2,080	2,104	2	
Later than one year and not later than 5 years	7,160	7,577	-	-
Over 5 years	6,131	7,231	-	
	15,371	16,912	_	

The majority of the above commitments are in respect of properties managed by Hafod Housing Association Limited under lease from The Welsh Housing Partnership and WHP2

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36 Related party transactions

Hendre Limited provides a landlord and facilities function to Hafod Housing Association Limited. These costs are recharged in full as at 31 March 2024.

Transactions between members of the Hendre Group for the year ended 31 March 2024 are set out in the tables below.

Services provided by:	Company	Hendre Limited £'000		Hatod Resources	Foundation Housing Tai Sylfaen £'000	Yellow Wales £'000
Registered	Hendre Limited	-	565	-	-	-
Social Landlord	Hafod Housing Association	-	-	-	-	-
	Hafod Resources Limited	-	-	-	-	-
Non-registered	Foundation Housing Tai Sylfaen	-	-	-	-	-
	Yellow Wales	-	-	-	-	-

Debtor / (creditor) balances:	Company	Hendre Limited £'000	Hafod Housing Association Limited £'000	Hatod Resources	Foundation Housing Tai Sylfaen £'000	Yellow Wales £'000
Registered	Hendre Limited	-	3,879	-	-	-
Social Landlord	Hafod Housing Association	(3,879)	-	(83)	-	(5)
	Hafod Resources Limited	-	83	-	-	-
Non-registered	Foundation Housing Tai Sylfaen	-	-	-	-	-
	Yellow Wales	-	5	-	-	-

Transactions between members of the Hendre Group for the 15 month period ended 31 March 2023 are set out in the tables below.

Services provided by:	Company	Hendre Limited	Hafod Housing Association Limited	Hafod Resources Limited	Foundation Housing Tai Sylfaen	Yellow
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Registered	Hendre Limited	-	488	-	-	-
Social Landlord	Hafod Housing Association	-	-	-	-	-
	Hafod Resources Limited	-	-	-	-	-
Non-registered	Foundation Housing Tai Sylfaen	-	-	-	-	-
	Yellow Wales	-	-	-	-	-

Debtor / (creditor) balances:	Company	Hendre Limited		Hafod Resources Limited	Housing Tai	Yellow Wales
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Registered	Hendre Limited	-	4,499	1	-	-
Social Landlord	Hafod Housing Association	(4,499)	-	83	-	4
	Hafod Resources Limited	(1)	(83)	-	-	-
Non-registered	Foundation Housing Tai Sylfaen	-	-	-	-	-
	Yellow Wales	-	(4)	-	-	-

As at 31 March 2024, Hendre Limited has a public entity concessionary loan with Hafod Housing Association Limited of £5.0m (Mar-23 £5.0m).

The Group's treasury management risks are managed under the umbrella of the Group's Treasury Management policy. Under the Group's policy, surplus cash generated by members of the Group is pooled within Hafod Housing Association Limited and placed on deposit with approved counter-parties.

None of the current senior executives or Board Members of Hendre Limited or its subsidiaries had any related party transactions with the Group during the period which require disclosure. Details are given in respect of previous senior executives or Board members.

Other related parties include Hafod Homes Limited and Hafod Corporate Services Limited which are not part of the Hendre Group. Jas Bains and Tracey Healey (Executive Directors of the Group) are Directors.

The Welsh Housing Partnership Limited & WHP2 Ltd

	Year	15 Months
	ended	ended
	Mar-24	Mar-23
Purchases from related parties	2,667	2,562

The nature of the Group's investment in The Welsh Housing Partnership Limited and WHP2 Limited is set out in note 20. The purchases above represents values payable in respect of properties leased by Hafod Housing Association Limited from WHP and WHP2. The Boards of WHP and WHP2 set their rent levels to their shareholders to cover their property acquisition and funding costs and these are reflective of the market to cover any risk around transfer pricing.

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	£'000	£'000
Return on pension scheme assets	453	246
Interest on pension scheme liabilities	(317)	(230)
Interest on the effect of the asset ceiling	(127)	-
	9	16

38 Pension scheme

a) Greater Gwent (Torfaen) Pension Fund

On 1 August 2002 Hafod Care Association Limited acquired, from Torfaen County Borough Council, five residential homes for the elderly. Staff employed at these homes were transferred to the employment of Hafod Care Association Limited under Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) regulations. Prior to transfer, employees at these homes had been eligible to participate in the Local Government Pension Scheme; a defined benefit scheme. From the date of transfer the Administering Authority (Torfaen CBC) and the Transferee Admission Body (Hafod Care Association Limited) entered into an agreement to enable eligible employees to continue to be members of the Scheme and participate in the Pension Fund. On 31 July 2019, as part of the transfer of engagements from Hafod Care Association Limited to Hafod Housing Association Limited the pension fund including eligible employees transferred to Hafod Housing Association Limited.

During the year to 31 March 2024, the Association operated a pension scheme providing benefits based on final pensionable salary in respect of employees who were members of Torfaen Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS). On 31 March 2024 the remaining members of the scheme were transferred to a Self-Invested Personal Pension (SIPP) with AEGON (see note 37b). The AEGON plan is a Defined Contribution scheme. Any agreed compensation payments have been provided for.

The assets of the Torfaen LGPS scheme are held separately from those of the Association. Pension scheme assets and liabilities are measured differently for the annual FRS102 accounting valuation and for the cessation valuation. The purpose of an employer's accounting valuation under FRS102 is to facilitate consistent comparison of pension positions between employers. An accounting valuation has no effect on the cash contributions that will be certified for an employer. The cessation valuation is to facilitate identification of the asset value due to the employer on cessation of the fund.

The latest full triennial actuarial valuation was carried out at 31 March 2022. For the purposes of these Financial Statements the valuation was updated as at 31 March 2024, by a qualified independent actuary, to comply with Section 28 (Employee Benefits) of FRS 102. Furthermore, as a consequence of Hafod's exit from the scheme on 31 March 2024, in accordance with FRS102, the pension scheme surplus has been adjusted to reflect the proportion of the cessation valuation attributable to Hafod. The cessation valuation was also completed by a qualified independent actuary, to accurately reflect Hafod's expected proportion of the funds on exit. The funds attributable to Hafod on cessation are expected to be realised within 12 months of the year end.

The movement in the scheme surplus/deficit is split between operating charges, finance items and in the statement of comprehensive income.

The contribution rate payable by the Association for all its employees in the scheme for the year to 31 March 2024 was 0% (2023: 30.5%). Contributions paid during the year were £nil (2023: £56,713), no costs were paid in respect of early retirement benefits (2023: nil).

As a consequence of the closure of the scheme, in accordance with Section 28 (Employee Benefits) of FRS102, the pension scheme surplus is recognised in full as this is expected to be realised. The movement in the scheme surplus/deficit is split between operating charges, finance items and in the statement of comprehensive income.

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38 Pension scheme (continued)

The main assumptions used in this valuation were:

		Annual	Annual
	Cessation	FRS102	FRS102
		schedule	schedule
	Mar-24	Mar-24	Mar-23
	%	%	%
Rate of increase in salaries	2.8	2.8	3.0
Rate of increase of pensions in payment and deferred pensions	3.3	3.3	3.5
Discount rate applied to scheme liabilities	4.8	4.8	4.8

Mortality assumptions:

The following standard mortality tables were used in the evaluation:

Mortality assumptions

Life expectancy is based on CMI 2021 model, with a 25% weighting of 2022 data, standard smoothing (Sk7), initial adjustment of 0.25% and a long term rate of improvement of 1.5% p.a. for both males and females. Based on these assumptions, the average future life expectancies at age 65 for the Employer are summarised below:

		Annual
Life expectancy (at the end of the year)	Cessation	FRS102 schedule
- of a male (female) future pensioner (in 20 years time)	19.6 (23.1)	21.8 (24.0) years
- of a male (female) current pensioner	22.4 (24.5)	19.1 (22.6) years

The assumptions used by the actuary are the best estimates chosen from a range of possible actuarial assumptions which, due to the timescale covered, may not necessarily be borne out in practice.

Scheme assets/(liabilities)

The fair value of the scheme's assets as outlined on the following pages are expected to be realised in the short term due to Hafod's exit from the scheme. The actuarial valuation described here is considered to be a prudent estimate of funds due to Hafod as at 31 March 2024.

	Value at	Value at
	31-Mar-24	31-Mar-23
	£'000	£'000
Equities	7,777	7,691
Government bonds	1,787	1,655
Property	631	292
Cash (including others)	315	98
Cessation adjustment	146	
Total market value of assets	10,656	9,736
Present value of scheme liabilities	(7,292)	(6,858)
Adjustment to recognise ceiling value of net asset	4	(2,683)
Adjustment to recognise proportion of assets due to Hafod on cessation	(1,404)	
Net pension asset	1,960	195

Movement in surplus for the year			Introduction
	Mar-24	Mar-23	miroduction
	£'000	£'000	
Surplus at the beginning of year	195	689	
Current service cost	(34)	(88)	<u>Customers</u>
Cessation service cost	(30)	-	
Contributions paid	-	57	
Other finance income	9	16	
Net actuarial adjustment / gain	1,820	(479)	Care
Surplus at the end of year	1,960	195	
Movement in plan assets for the year			
	Mar-24	Mar-23	Support
	£'000	£'000	<u>Support</u>
Assets at the beginning of year	9,736	10,473	
Return on assets	453	246	
Actuarial gain/(loss)	722	(723)	Housing
Employer contributions	-	57	
Employee contributions	8	11	
Benefits paid	(409)	(328)	
Cessation Adjustment	146	100 ⁷⁴³	<u>Colleagues</u>
Assets at the end of year	10,656	9,736	<u>ooneagues</u>
Movement in plan liabilities for the year			
	Mar-24	Mar-23	
	£'000	£'000	<u>Governance</u>
Liabilities at the beginning of year	6,858	9,784	

Mar-24

£'000

(34)

(30)

(64)

88

230

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(2,927)

(328)

6.858

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£'000

(88)

(88)

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Liabilities at the beginning of year	6,858
Service cost	64
Interest cost	317
Employee contributions	8
Actuarial gain	(45)
Benefits paid	(409)
Cessation Adjustment	499
Liabilities at the end of year	7,292

Analysis of other pension costs charged in arriving at operating surplus

Current service cost Cessation service cost

Total service cost

Movement in surplus for the year

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38 Pension scheme (continued)

Analysis of amounts included in other finance income

	Mar-24	Mar-23
	£'000	£'000
Return on pension scheme assets	453	246
Interest on pension scheme liabilities	(317)	(230)
Interest on the effect of the asset ceiling	(127)	-
	9	16

39 Subsidiary undertakings

At the year end the following were the subsidiaries of Hendre Limited. All are wholly owned, have share capital comprising non-equity shares (except for Hafod Resources Limited which has only ordinary shares) and are incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales.

Company name

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Hafod Housing Association Limited Foundation Housing Tai Sylfaen Limited Hafod Resources Limited Yellow Wales

Nature of activity

Provision of housing, support and care	
Provision of emergency housing and support (not active)	
General commercial (not active)	
Provision of training and support to young vulnerable adults	
(not active)	

Analysis of amount recognised in statement of total recognised surpluses and deficits

	Mar-24	Mar-23
	£'000	£'000
Actuarial gain/(loss) on scheme assets	722	(723)
Actuarial gain on scheme liabilities	45	2,927
Adjustment to recognise ceiling value of net asset	2,810	(2,683)
Cessation adjustment	(353)	2
Adjustment to recognise proportion of assets due to Hafod on cessation	(1,404)	-
Net actuarial adjustment recognised in the statement of comprehensive income	1,820	(479)

Sensitivity analysis

The sensitivities regarding the principal assumptions used to measure the scheme liabilities are set out below:

Change in assumptions at 31 March 2024	Approximate % increase to employer liability	Approximate monetary amount (£'000)
0.1% decrease in real discount rate	1%	92
1 year increase in member life expectancy	4%	271
0.1% increase in the salary increase rate	0%	
0.1% increase in the pension increase rate	1%	93

b) Other pension arrangements

As at 31 March 2024 the Association had active members in two pension schemes. During the year to 31 March 2024 there were four active schemes: National Employment Savings Trust (NEST); a Self-Invested Personal Plan (SIPP) with AEGON; a group defined contribution scheme with Scottish Widows; and a stakeholder pension scheme with Standard Life Assurance. New members of staff employed by the Association were auto-enrolled into either the National Employment Savings Trust (NEST); or a SIPP with AEGON, depending on which pension scheme was offered under their contract of employment. During the year, members of the Scottish Widows and the Standard Life schemes were transferred to a SIPP with Aegon. The costs of these four schemes are written off to the statement of comprehensive income on an accruals basis. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the Association in independently administered funds. The Association operates a salary exchange scheme that is available to all eligible employees in the AEGON pension plan.

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