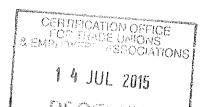
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# **FORM AR21**



Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 VED

# ANNUAL RETURN FOR A TRADE UNION

Name of Trade Union:	National Union of Mineworkers (Northumberland Area)		
Year ended:	31 December 2014		
List no:	215T		
Head or Main Office:	National Union of Mineworkers Northumberland Area 7 Esther Court Wansbeck Business Park Ashington NE63 8QZ		
Website address (if available)			
Has the address changed during the year to which the return relates?	Yes  No X (Click the appropriate box)		
General Secretary:	Denis Murphy		
Telephone Number:	01670853300		
Contact name for queries regarding	Denis Murphy		
Telephone Number:	01670853300		
E-mail:	dm@link-connect.co.uk		

PLEASE FOLLOW THE GUIDANCE NOTES IN THE COMPLETION OF THIS RETURN. Any difficulties or problems in the completion of this return should be directed to the Certification Officer as below or by telephone to: 020 7210 3734

The address to which returns and other documents should be sent are:

For Unions based in England and Wales: Certification Office for Trade Unions and Employers' Associations 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Euston Tower, 286 Euston Road, London NW1 3JJ

For Unions based in Scotland: Certification Office for Trade Unions and Employers' Associations Melrose House, 69a George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2JG

(Revised February 2011)

# Annexe 1

# **Annual Return for a Trade Union Form AR21**

Name of Trade Union:

National Union of Mineworkers (Northumberland Area)

Year ended:

31 December 2014

List no:

215T

# **Officers in Post**

Denis Murphy Allan Stewart General Secretary

Chairman

# **RETURN OF MEMBERS**

(see notes 10 and 11)

				•		
			MEMBE		END OF THE YEA	AR
	Great Britain	Northern Ireland		Irish Republic	Elsewhere Abroad (including Channel Islands)	TOTALS
MALE	1	0				10
FEMAL	.E					
TOTAL	.   1	0		****		A 10
is held:	er of members included or of members at end c				or authorised address	None
this for	rm relates, with the ti	to this form a comitle of each persons	(see replete lises office.	NGE OF	s in post at the end of OFFICERS ring the twelve month	
Ţ	Title of Office	Name of Offic ceasing to hold of			me of Appointed	Date
				,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
<u> ,</u>						
State v	whether the union is:					
a. A	A branch of another tra	ide union?	Yes	X	lo 📗	
II	f yes, state the name of	of that other union:	Natio	nal Union of M	ineworkers (North East	: Area)
o. A	A federation of trade ur	nions?	Yes		lo X	
Inione:	f yes, state the numbe	r of affiliated				
a	and names:		<u> </u>	····		

# **GENERAL FUND**

(see notes 13 to 18)

£	£
	428
	428
	13
22808	
47607	
	70415
TOTAL INCOME	70856
	131133
100	
1980	
	2080
	-11760
AL EXPENDITURE	121453
	-50597
L	
	6713
	-43884
	22808 47607 TOTAL INCOME

# ANALYSIS OF INCOME FROM FEDERATION AND OTHER BODIES AND OTHER INCOME

(see notes 19 and 20)

DESCRIPTION	£	£
Federation and other bodies  Northumberland Mineworkers Provident and Benevolent Fund  Loan written back	22808 47607	
TOTAL FEDERATION AN Other income	D OTHER BODIES	70415
ТОТА	L OTHER INCOME	
TOTAL OF AL	L OTHER INCOME	70415

# ANALYSIS OF BENEFIT EXPENDITURE SHOWN AT GENERAL FUND

(see notes 21 to 23)

	£		£
Representation – Employment Related Issues		brought forward	
Zimpleymont related leader		Education and Training services	
Representation –			
Non Employment Related Issues			
		Negotiated Discount Services	
Communications			
		Salary Costs	
		, Same 1	
Advisory Services			
		Other Benefits and Grants (specify)	
Dispute Benefits			
Other Cash Payments			
carried forward		Total (should agree with figure in	
		General Fund)	

(See notes 24 and 25)

FUND 2			<b>Fund Account</b>
Name:		£	£
Income			
	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other inco	me as specified	
		Total Income	
Expenditure	Benefits to members Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page		
	10) To	tal Expenditure	
	Surplus (Def	icit) for the year	
	Amount of fund at be	eginning of year	
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as	Balance Sheet)	
	Number of members contributin	g at end of year	

FUND 3			Fund Account
Name:		£	£
Income			
	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other inco	me as specified	
		Total Income	
Expenditure			
	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	•	tal Expenditure	
	Surplus (Def	cit) for the year	
	Amount of fund at be		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as	Balance Sheet)	
	Number of members contributin	g at end of year	

FUND 4			Fund Account
Name:		£	£
Income			
	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other incom	me as specified	
		Total Income	
Expenditure	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page		
	10)		
	То	tal Expenditure	
	•	icit) for the year	
	Amount of fund at be		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as	Balance Sneet)	
	Number of members contributing	g at end of vear	
	Number of members contributed	3	<u> </u>

FUND 5			Fund Account
Name:		£	£
Income			
	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other inco	me as specified	
		<b>Total Income</b>	
Expenditure	Described to manufacture		
	Benefits to members  Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page		
	10)		
	To	otal Expenditure	
	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	icit) for the year	
	Amount of fund at be		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as	Balance Sheet)	
***	Number of members contributin	og at end of year	
	Number of members contributing	ig at enu or year	

FUND 6			Fund Account
Name:		£	£
Income			
	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other inco	me as specified	
		Total Income	
Expenditure	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page		
	10)		
	То	otal Expenditure	
	· · ·	icit) for the year	
	Amount of fund at be	_	
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as	Balance Sheet)	
	Normal and a formal and a contail and in	a at and of year	<u> </u>
	Number of members contributin	g at end of year	

FUND 7			Fund Account
Name:		£	£
Income			
	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other inco	me as specified	
		<b>Total Income</b>	
Expenditure			
-	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
		tal Expenditure	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	icit) for the year	
	Amount of fund at be		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as	Balance Sheet)	
	Number of members sentification	a at and of year	
	Number of members contributin	y at end of year	<u> </u>

(see notes 26 to 31)

POLITICAL FUND ACCOUNT 1 To be completed by trade unions which maintain their own fund			
		£	f
ncome	Members contributions and levies		
	Investment income (as at page 12) Other income (specify)		
•	Total other	income as specified	
Expenditure		Total income	
•	Expenditure under section 82 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (specify)		
	Administration expenses in connection with political objects (specify)		
	Non-political expenditure		
		Total expenditure	
	Surp	lus (deficit) for year	
* *	Amount of political fund a	at beginning of year	44
	Amount of political fund at the end of year	(as Balance Sheet)	44
	Number of members at end of year contributing	to the political fund	
	Number of members at end of the year not contributing	-	10
lumber of mem olitical fund	bers at end of year who have completed an exemption notice and do not therefore		

come Contributions, and levies collected from members on behalf of central political f		t
	fund	
Funds received back from central political fund Other income (specify)		
Total c	other income as specified	
	Total income	
xpenditure  Expenditure under section 82 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (specify)		
Administration expenses in connection with political objects (specify)	,	,
Non-political expenditure		
	Total expenditure	
	Surplus (deficit) for year	
Amount held on behalf of trade union political	fund at beginning of year	
Amount remitte	ed to central political fund	
Amount held on behalf of central po	litical fund at end of year	
Number of members at end of year contrib	outing to the political fund	
Number of members at end of the year not contrib		

# ANALYSIS OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES AND OTHER OUTGOINGS EXCLUDING AMOUNTS CHARGED TO POLITICAL FUND ACCOUNTS

(see notes 32 and 33)

(odd neldd o'2 and od)	£
Administrative	
Expenses	
Remuneration and expenses of staff	80888
Salaries and Wages included in above £80888	
Auditors' fees	7836
Legal and Professional fees	945
Occupancy costs	1964
Stationery, printing, postage, telephone, etc.	2516
Expenses of Executive Committee (Head Office)	5073
Expenses of conferences	700
Other administrative expenses (specify)	
Advertising	520
Bank charges	113
Miscellaneous	1911
Other Outgoings	
Interest payable:	
Bank loans (including overdrafts)	
Mortgages	
Other loans	
Depreciation	5905
Taxation (Paye from earlier periods)	1691
Outgoings on land and buildings (specify)	
Loss on sale of assets	7500
Loan written off	10919
Picnic and figurine costs	2652
Total	131133
Charged to: General Fund (Page 3)	
Fund (Account )	
Total	131133

# ANALYSIS OF OFFICIALS SALARIES AND BENEFITS (see notes 34 to 44 below)

Total		£	57020	11934	11934						
	fits	Value £									
Benefits	Other Benefits	Description									
	Pension Contribution	S£									
Employers N.I.		£	4075	553	553						
Gross Salary		स	52945	11381	11381						
Office held			General Secretary	Member of the executive committee	Member of the executive committee						

# **ANALYSIS OF INVESTMENT INCOME**

(see notes 45 and 46)

	Political Fund £		Other Fund(s) £
Doubles land and huildings	T.		<i>₹</i> -
Rent from land and buildings			
Dividends (gross) from:	4. 1. 1.		
Equities (e.g. shares)			
Interest (gross) from:			
Government securities (Gilts)			
Mortgages			
Local Authority Bonds	i		
Bank and Building Societies			
			:
Other investment income (specify)			
	<b>""</b> - 4 - 4 :		
	ı otal ir	nvestment income	
<b>.</b>			
Credited to:	Cono	ral Fund (Daga 2)	
		ral Fund (Page 3)	
		Fund (Account )	
	ŀ	Fund (Account )	
		Political Fund	
	<b></b>		Γ
	Total Ir	nvestment Income	

# BALANCE SHEET as at

31 December 2014

(see notes 47 to 50)

Previous Year		£	£
13745	Fixed Assets (at page 14)		7840
	Investments (as per analysis on page 15)		
400	Quoted (Market value £ )		100
100	Unquoted  Total Investments		100
	Other Assets		
	Loans to other trade unions		
23438	Sundry debtors		14172
106357	Cash at bank and in hand		48270
	Income tax to be recovered		
506	Stocks of goods		391
521	Others (specify) Other loans		
	Total of other assets		62833
144667	тот	AL ASSETS	70773
6713	Fund (Account )		-43884
	Fund (Account )		
	Fund (Account )		
	Superannuation Fund (Account )		
44	Political Fund (Account )		44
	Revaluation Reserve		
	LIABILITIES		
	Amount held on behalf of central trade union political fund		
119695	Loans: From other trade unions		109117
615	Loans: Other		615
	Bank overdraft		
14404	Tax payable		1738
	Sundry creditors		
3196	Accrued expenses		3143
	Provisions		
	Other liabilities		
137910	ТОТА	LIABILITIES	114613
144667	тот	TAL ASSETS	70773

# **FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT**

(see notes 51 to 55)

	Land and Freehold Leasehold	Buildings £££	Furniture and Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	Not used for union business £	Total £
Cost or Valuation						
At start of year		90890	8031			98921
Additions						
Disposals		-36000				-36000
Revaluation/Transfer						
s						
At end of year		54890	8031			62921
	<b>F</b>					
Accumulated Depreciation At start of year		42042	5264			49176
Charges for year		43912				5905
Disposals	-	5489	416			5905
Revaluation/Transfer						
s		:				
At end of year		49401	5680			55081
·	<u> </u>					
Net book value at end of year		5489	2351			7840
-						
				·	T	
Net book value at end of previous year		10978	2767			13745

# **ANALYSIS OF INVESTMENTS**

(see notes 56 and 57)

QUOTED		All Funds	Political Fund
		Except	
		Political Funds	£
		£	~
	Equities (e.g. Shares)		
	Government Securities (Gilts)		
	Coronina Coodinaco (Cino)		
	Other quoted securities (to be specified)		
	TOTAL QUOTED (as Balance Sheet)		
	Market Value of Quoted Investment		
UNQUOTED	Equities		
	Co-operative Press Limited	100	
	Government Securities (Gilts)		
	,		
	Mortgoggo		
	Mortgages		
	Bank and Building Societies		
			ļ
	Other unquoted investments (to be specified)		
	TOTAL UNQUOTED (as Balance Sheet)	100	
	Market Value of Unquoted Investments	100	
		100	

# **ANALYSIS OF INVESTMENT INCOME** (CONTROLLING INTERESTS) (see notes 58 and 59)

Does the union, or any constituent part of the union, have a controlling interest in any limited company?		YES	NO X
If YES name the relevant companies:			
COMPANY NAME		STRATION NUMBI and & Wales, state	
Are the shares which are controlled by the union registered in the names of the union's trustees?		YES	NO
If NO, state the names of the persons in whom the shares controlled by the union are registered.			
COMPANY NAME	NAMES OF SHAP	REHOLDERS	
			-

# **SUMMARY SHEET**

(see notes 60 to 71)

	All funds except Political Funds £	Political Funds £	Total Funds £
INCOME			
From Members	428		428
From Investments	13		13
Other Income (including increases by revaluation of assets)	70415		70415
Total Income	70856		70856
EXPENDITURE (including decreases by revaluation of			
Total Expenditure	121453		121453
Funds at beginning of year (including reserves) Funds at end of year (including reserves)	6713 -43884	44	6757 -43840
ASSETS			
	Fixed Assets		7840
	Investment Assets		100
	Other Assets		62833
		Total Assets	70773
LIABILITIES		Total Liabilities	114613

# **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

(see notes 72 and 73)

All notes to the accounts must be entered on or attached to this part of the return.

	Contraction of the Contraction
Officers in post (page 2)	
Mr D Murphy (general secretary) Mr A Stewart	
Mr J Sawyer (deceased 12.3.15)	
Notes to the accounts	
See attached	

# **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

(see notes 74 and 75)

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SIGNATURES TO THE ANN	UAL REI	UF	(IV	
(see notes 76 and 77)				
including the accounts and balance sheet co	ntained in the	retu	rn.	
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Secretary's Signature Signature	e: 41th	<u> </u>		
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Name: DENIS MULLIPAY Name:	Mary 21	EWA	VCI	
Date: 2/7/2015 Date:	7 1-1	201		
Date: Date:		201		_
CHECK LIST				
(see notes 78 to 80)				
(please tick as appropriat	e)			
IS THE RETURN OF OFFICERS ATTACHED?	YES	Х	NO	
(see Page 2 and Note 12)  HAS THE RETURN OF CHANGE OF OFFICERS BEEN	\			
COMPLETED?	YES	X	NO	
(see Page 2 and Note 12)				
HAS THE RETURN BEEN SIGNED?	YES	X	NO	<del>                                     </del>
(see Pages 19 and 21 and Notes 76 and 77)	1 ES	^	NO	╽┕┙╷
HAS THE AUDITOR'S REPORT BEEN COMPLETED?	YES	X	NO	$\vdash$
(see Pages 20 and 21 and Notes 2 and 77)	1 1 1 1	^	INO	
IS A RULE BOOK ENCLOSED?	YES	X	NO	Г
(see Notes 8 and 78)		^`		
A MEMBER'S STATEMENT IS:	ENCLOSE	Х	TO FOLLOW	П
(see Note 80)	D			
HAS THE SUMMARY SHEET BEEN COMPLETED	YES	Х	NO	
(see Page 17 and Notes 7 and 59)				

# **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

(see notes 81 to 86)

made in accordance with section 36 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

1.	In the opinion of the auditors or auditor do the accounts they have audited and which are
	contained in this return give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate?
	(See section 36(1) and (2) of the 1992 Act and notes 83 and 84)

YES

If "No" please explain below.

- 2. Have the auditors or auditor carried out such investigations in the preparation of their audit report as will enable them to form an opinion as to:
  - (a) whether the trade union has kept proper accounting records in accordance with section 28 of the 1992 Act;
  - (b) whether it has maintained a satisfactory system of control over its transactions in accordance with the requirements of that section; and
  - (c) whether the accounts to which the report relates agree with the accounting records? (See section 36(3) of the 1992 Act, set out in note 83)

YES

If "No" please explain below.

- 3. Are the auditors or auditor of the opinion that the union has complied with section 28 of the 1992 Act and has:
  - (a) kept proper accounting records with respect to its transactions and its assets and liabilities: and
  - (b) established and maintained a satisfactory system of control of its accounting records, its cash holding and all its receipts and remittances.

(See section 36(4) of the 1992 Act set out in rule 83)

YES

If "No" please explain below.

4. Please set out a copy of the report made by the auditors or auditor to the union on the accounts to which this AR21 relates. The report is to set out the basis upon which the audit has been conducted and/or such other statement as the auditor considers appropriate. Such a statement may be provided as a separate document. (See note 85)

# AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

# NATIONAL UNION OF MINEWORKERS (NORTHUMBERLAND AREA) Independent auditors' report to the members of the National Union of Mineworkers (Northumberland Area)

We have audited the financial statements of the National Union of Mineworkers (Northumberland Area) for the year ended 31 December 2014 which comprise the General and Political Fund Income and Expenditure Accounts, Balance Sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in the preparation is applicable law and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

This report is made solely to the union's members, as a body. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the union's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' 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 union and the union's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

## Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the statement of officer's responsibilities, the officer is responsible for the preparation of the accounts and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the accounts in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the APB's website at www.frc.org.uk/apb/scope/private.cfm.

# Opinion on the accounts

In our opinion the accounts:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the union's affairs as at 31 December 2014 and of its surplus or deficit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted
   Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

# Opinion on other matters

In our opinion the information given in the Officer's Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

Signature(s) of auditor or auditors:	Mai Mak	
Name(s):	Mai Mak	
Profession(s) or Calling(s):	Chartered Accountant	
Address(es):	Kinnair and Company Aston House, Redburn Road Newcastle upon Tyne NE5 1NB	
Date:	2nd July 2015	
Contact name and telephone number:	Mai Mak 0191 2867777	

# NATIONAL UNION OF MINEWORKERS (NORTHUMBERLAND AREA) Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2014

# 1 Accounting policies

The financial statements are drawn up under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

# Tangible fixed assets

All tangible fixed assets are initially recorded at cost or valuation and depreciated over their useful economic life on a basis consistent with the depreciation policy.

# Depreciation

The union's policy is to provide depreciation at a rate which is calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its useful economic life, as follows;

**Property Improvements** 

10% straight line

Fixtures, fittings and equipment

15% reducing balance

### Investments

Investments are stated at cost.

## Revenue Recognition

All income from members is recognised on a receivable basis except voluntary donations made by miners in compensation claims which are only recognised when received. Investment income and all other income is recognised when receivable.

# Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for when incurred on an accruals basis.

# Fund accounting

The union operates a separate political fund which is used to collect funds on behalf of the National Union of Mineworkers.

### 2 Branches

These financial statements do not include the separate transactions and balances of any branch or section of the National Union of Mineworkers (Northumberland Area). Other branches appoint independent auditors and report separately.

# NATIONAL UNION OF MINEWORKERS (NORTHUMBERLAND AREA) Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2014

# 3 Fixed assets

J	Tixed deserts	Land & buildings £	Equipment £	Total £
	Cost	~	~	~
	At 1 January 2014 - restated	90,890	8,031	98,921
	Disposals	(36,000)	THE STATE OF THE S	(36,000)
	At 31 December 2014	54,890	8,031	62,921
	Depreciation			
	At 1 January 2014	43,912	5,264	49,176
	Charge for the year	5,489	416	5,905
	Depreciation			
	At 31 December 2014	49,401	5,680	55,081
	Net book value			
	At 31 December 2014	5,489	2,351	7,840
	At 31 December 2013 - restated	46,978	2,767	49,745
4	Investments		Unguated	
			Unquoted equities	Total
			2014	2013
			£	£
	Cost		400	400
	At 1 January 2014		100	100
	At 31 December 2014		100	100
	Market value of investments		100	100
5	Other loans receivable		2014	2013
Ū			£	£
	Northumberland Mineworkers Provident and Bene	wolant Fund		501
	Northumberiand Milleworkers Provident and bene	volent Fund		521
				521
6	Sundry debtors			
			2014 £	2013 £
			L	L
	Other debtors		14,172	23,133
	Prepayments and accrued income			305
			14,172	23,438

# NATIONAL UNION OF MINEWORKERS (NORTHUMBERLAND AREA) Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2014

6	Loans from other trade unions			2014 £	2013 £
	NUM Ellington Branch			109,117	119,695
	•			109,117	119,695
7	Other loans payable			2014	2013
				£	£
	NUM Bates Branch			615	615
				615	615
8	Tax payable			2014	2013
				£	£
	Corporation tax			-	14,404
	Other taxes and social security costs			1,738	***
				1,738	14,404
10	Funds	1 Jan-14	Net deficit	Transfers	31 Dec-14
		£	£	£	£
	General fund	6,713	(50,597)	-	(43,884)
	Political fund	44		_	44
		6,757	(50,597)	_	(43,840)

# 11 Going Concern

These accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis, which assumes that the company will continue in operating existence for the forseeable future.

The officers have reviewed the financial situation of the company and they expect to receive sufficient monies from the wind up of the Northumberland Mineworkers Provident and Benevolent Fund to allow the company to operate for a period in excess of 12 months.

# 12 Prior period adjustment

These accounts include a prior period adjustment which reclassifies £36,000 from debtors to tangible fixed assets at the previous balance sheet date. This adjustment does not affect reserves.