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# FORM AR27

Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

## ANNUAL RETURN FOR AN EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

Name of Employers' Association:

Year ended:

List No:

Head or Main Office:

Website address (if available)

Has the address changed during the year to which the return relates?  Yes  No (Tick as appropriate)

General Secretary:

Contact name for queries regarding the completion of this return:

Telephone Number:

e-mail:

**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 Office as below or by telephone to: 020 7210 3734

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

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

Board of Directors

P. Johnson Chairman

G. Bates (Resigned 25 July 2018)

R. Collins (Appointed 28 April 2017)

B. V. Evans (Resigned 28 April 2017)

S. G. James - Executive Director

K. A. Finn

A. P. Lowe (Appointed 28 April 2017)

C. B. Madderson - Executive Director

M. C. Marshall

J. Moseley - Executive Director (Resigned 20 October 2017)

C. B. Parlett

S. Robinson - Executive Director

K. Savage

M. Squires

C. Thomas - Finance Director and Company Secretary

J. Tomlinson

# RETURN OF MEMBERS

(see note 9)

NUMBER OF MEMBERS AT THE END OF THE YEAR				
Great Britain	Northern Ireland	Irish Republic	Elsewhere Abroad (including Channel Islands)	TOTALS
10,154	315	0	0	10,469

## OFFICERS IN POST

(see note 10)

Please attach as an annexe to this form a complete list of all officers in post at the end of the year to which this form relates, with the title of each persons office.

## CHANGE OF OFFICERS

Please complete the following to record any changes of officers during the twelve months covered by this return.

Title of Office	Name of Officer ceasing to hold office	Name of Officer Appointed	Date of Change
Director		Roger Collins	28 April 2017
Director	Bettine Evans		28 April 2017
Director		A Lowe	28 April 2017
Director	Jason Moseley		20 October 2017

# REVENUE ACCOUNT/GENERAL FUND

For the year ended 31 December 2017

Previous Year		£'000s	£'000s
	<b>INCOME</b>		
	From Members		
	Investment income		
	Other income		
	Rents received		
	Commission		
	Training		
	Other		
	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		
	<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
	Administrative expenses		
	Cost of Sales		
	Other charges		
	Revaluation of investment property		
	Other property revaluation		
	Minority interests		
	Taxation		
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		
	Surplus/Deficit for year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at end of year		26,936

## ACCOUNTS OTHER THAN THE REVENUE ACCOUNT/GENERAL FUND

(see notes 17 to 18)

ACCOUNT 2		Fund Account	
Name of account:		£	£
<b>Income</b>	From members Investment income Other income (specify)		
	<b>Total Income</b>		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Administrative expenses Other expenditure (specify)		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		

ACCOUNT 3		Fund Account	
Name of account:		£	£
<b>Income</b>	From members Investment income Other income (specify)		
	<b>Total Income</b>		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Administrative expenses Other expenditure (specify)		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		

# ACCOUNTS OTHER THAN THE REVENUE ACCOUNT/GENERAL FUND

(see notes 17 to 18)

ACCOUNT 4		Fund Account	
Name of account:		£	£
<b>Income</b>	From members Investment income Other income (specify)		
	<b>Total Income</b>		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Administrative expenses Other expenditure (specify)		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		

ACCOUNT 5		Fund Account	
Name of account:		£	£
<b>Income</b>	From members Investment income Other income (specify)		
	<b>Total Income</b>		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Administrative expenses Other expenditure (specify)		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		

## ACCOUNTS OTHER THAN THE REVENUE ACCOUNT/GENERAL FUND

(see notes 17 to 18)

ACCOUNT 6		Fund Account	
Name of account:		£	£
<b>Income</b>	From members		
	Investment income		
	Other income (specify)		
	<b>Total Income</b>		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Administrative expenses		
	Other expenditure (specify)		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		

ACCOUNT 7		Fund Account	
Name of account:		£	£
<b>Income</b>	From members		
	Investment income		
	Other income (specify)		
	<b>Total Income</b>		
<b>Expenditure</b>	Administrative expenses		
	Other expenditure (specify)		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		





## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2017

(see notes 19 and 20)

Previous Year	£'000	£ '000
<b>Fixed Assets</b> (as at page 11)		5,775
<b>Investments</b> (as per analysis on page 13)		
Quoted (Market value £ 14,792 )		14,798
Property		8,300
<b>Total Investments</b>		23,098
<b>Other Assets</b>		
Sundry debtors	667	
Cash at bank and in hand	652	
Stocks of goods		
Others (specify)		
<b>Total of other</b>		1,319
<b>assets</b>		
	<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	30,192
	Fund (Account)	
	Fund (Account)	
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Loans		
Bank overdraft		
Tax payable	192	
Sundry creditors	527	
Accrued expenses	1,593	
Provisions – Deferred Tax	2,521	
Other liabilities	460	
	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	5,293
	<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	24,899

# FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT

(see note 21)

	Land & Buildings	Fixtures & Fittings	Motor Vehicles & Equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
<b>COST OR VALUATION</b>				
At start of period	See annual accounts			
Additions during period				
Less: Disposals during period				
Less: DEPRECIATION:				
Total to end of period				
Transfer to investment property				
<b>BOOK AMOUNT at end of period</b>				
Freehold				
Leasehold (50 or more years unexpired)				
Leasehold (less than 50 years unexpired)				
<b>AS BALANCE SHEET</b>				

# ANALYSIS OF INVESTMENTS

(see note 22)

		Other Funds £
<b>QUOTED</b>	British Government & British Government Guaranteed Securities	See Annual Accounts
	British Municipal and County Securities	
	Other quoted securities (to be specified)	
	TOTAL QUOTED (as Balance Sheet)	
	*Market Value of Quoted Investments	
<b>UNQUOTED</b>	British Government Securities	
	British Municipal and County Securities	
	Mortgages	
	Other unquoted securities - property	
	TOTAL UNQUOTED (as Balance Sheet)	
	*Market Value of Unquoted Investments	

\* Market value of investments to be stated where these are different from the figures quoted in the balance sheet

# ANALYSIS OF INVESTMENT INCOME (CONTROLLING INTERESTS)

(see notes 23 to 25)

<b>Does the association, or any constituent part of the association, have a controlling interest in any limited company?</b>		YES X	NO
If YES name the relevant companies:			
<b>COMPANY NAME</b>  Remit Group Ltd Big Oil Ltd Trusted Dealers Ltd RMISC Ltd The Vehicle Builders and Repairers Association Ltd	<b>COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER (if not registered in England &amp; Wales, state where registered)</b>  6552314 6386529 7342935 8008286 2848320		
<b>INCORPORATED EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATIONS</b>			
<b>Are the shares which are controlled by the association registered in the association's name</b>		YES X	NO
If NO, please state the names of the persons in whom the shares controlled by the association are registered.			
<b>COMPANY NAME</b>	<b>NAMES OF SHAREHOLDERS</b>		
<b>UNINCORPORATED EMPLOYERS ASSOCIATIONS</b>			
<b>Are the shares which are controlled by the association registered in the names of the association's trustees?</b>		YES	NO
If NO, state the names of the persons in whom the shares controlled by the association are registered.			
<b>COMPANY NAME</b>	<b>NAMES OF SHAREHOLDERS</b>		

# SUMMARY SHEET

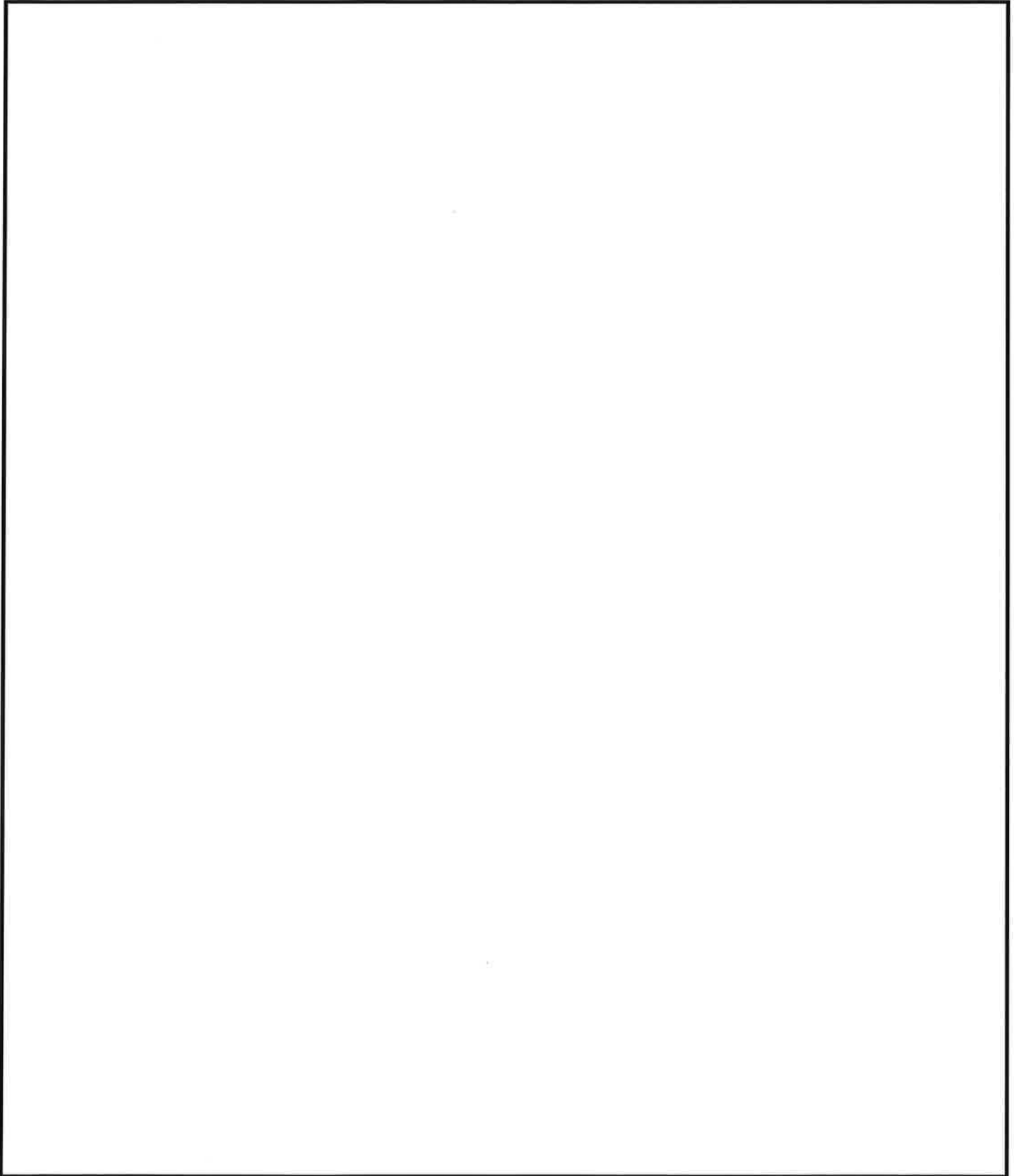
(see notes 26 to 35)

	All funds except Political Funds £'000s	Political Funds £'000s	Total Funds £'000s
<b>INCOME</b>			
From Members	4,015		4,015
From Investments	374		374
Other Income (including increases by revaluation of assets)	2,953		2,953
<b>Total Income</b>	7,342		7,342
<b>EXPENDITURE</b> (including decreases by revaluation of assets)	6,810		6,810
<b>Total Expenditure</b>			
<b>Funds at beginning of year</b> (including reserves)	24,367		24,367
<b>Funds at end of year</b> (including reserves)	24,899		24,899
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Fixed Assets			5,775
Investment Assets			23,098
Other Assets			1,319
		<b>Total Assets</b>	30,192
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		<b>Total Liabilities</b>	5,293
<b>NET ASSETS (Total Assets less Total Liabilities)</b>			24,899

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

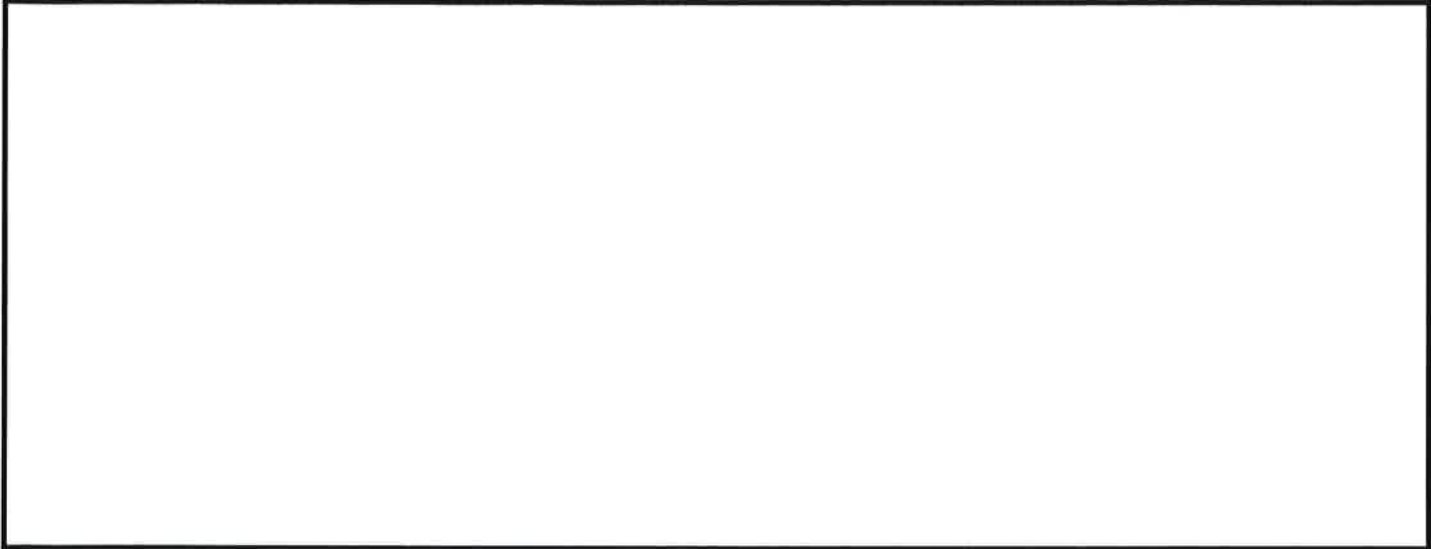
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All notes to the accounts must be entered on or attached to this part of the return.



# ACCOUNTING POLICIES


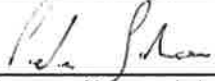
(see notes 37 and 38)



## SIGNATURES TO THE ANNUAL RETURN

(see notes 39 and 40)

including the accounts and balance sheet contained in the return.

Secretary's Signature: <u></u> Name: <u>CHRISTOPHER THOMAS</u> Date: <u>16/10/18</u>	Chairman's Signature: <u></u> (or other official whose position should be stated) Name: <u>PETER JOHNSON</u> Date: <u>16/10/18</u>
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## CHECK LIST

(see note 41)

(please tick as appropriate)

IS THE RETURN OF OFFICERS ATTACHED? (see Page 3)	YES		NO	
HAS THE RETURN OF CHANGE OF OFFICERS BEEN COMPLETED? (see Page 3)	YES		NO	
HAS THE RETURN BEEN SIGNED? (see Note 38)	YES		NO	
HAS THE AUDITOR'S REPORT BEEN COMPLETED (see Note 39)	YES		NO	
IS A RULE BOOK ENCLOSED? (see Note 40)	YES		NO	
HAS THE SUMMARY SHEET BEEN COMPLETED (see Notes 6 and 25 to 34)	YES		NO	

# AUDITOR'S REPORT

(see notes 42 to 47)

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 43 and 44)

YES/ NO

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 43)

YES/ NO

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 note 43)

YES/ NO

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 AR27 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 45)



# AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

SEE ATTACHED

Signature(s) of auditor or auditors:		
Name(s):	Kingston Smith LLP	
Profession(s) or Calling(s):	Registered Auditor	
Address(es):	Devonshire House 60 Goswell Road London E	
Date:	31 August 2018	
Contact name and telephone number:	Janice Riches 020 7566 4000	

N.B. When notes to the accounts are referred to in the auditor's report a copy of those notes must accompany this return.

**EVERY EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION IS REQUIRED BY LAW TO COMPLETE THIS RETURN.**

# Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of The Retail Motor Industry Federation Limited

## Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Retail Motor Industry Federation Limited ('the parent company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 December 2017 which comprise the Group Profit and Loss Account, the Group Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Group and Company Balance Sheet, the Group and Company Statement of Changes in Equity, the Group Statement of Cash Flows and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard Applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and of the parent company's affairs as at 31 December 2017 and of the group's profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

## 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 company 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.

## Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the group's or the parent company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

## Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

# Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of The Retail Motor Industry Federation Limited

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

## **Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

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

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and the parent company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Strategic Report or the Directors' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the parent company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

## **Responsibilities of directors**

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement set out on page 8, the directors 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 directors 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 directors are responsible for assessing the group's and the parent company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the group or the parent company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

# Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of The Retail Motor Industry Federation Limited

## 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 aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK) we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purposes of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the group's or the parent company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the group or the parent company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

# Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of The Retail Motor Industry Federation Limited

## Use of our report

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken for no purpose other than to draw to the attention of the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to any party other than the company and company's members as a body, for our work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Janice Riches (Senior Statutory Auditor)  
for and on behalf of Kingston Smith LLP  
Chartered Accountants  
Statutory Auditor

31 August 2018

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