



Report and Financial Statements

Year Ended

31 December 2025

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STRATEGIC MINERALS PLC
HIGHLIGHTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Financial Highlights

- Revenues from the Cobre magnetite operation were \$4.2m, the second highest levels since 2017. Margins improved from 82% to 85%
- Profit before tax reduced to \$0.7m from \$2.1m primarily due to a non-cash share based payment expense (\$0.6m), reduced Cobre profits (\$0.3m), costs associated with the Board restructuring and increased Group wide activity levels including investment in the Redmoor Tungsten-Tin-Copper Project in Cornwall.
- \$2.1m invested in the Redmoor Project during the year, offset by \$0.8m of UK Government grant funding received in the year from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.
- Cash at 31 December 2025 increased to \$777k (2024: \$621k). A further £8.7m (\$11.7m) raised post year end through two equity placings in Q1 2026 to fund infill drilling and Pre-Feasibility Study at Redmoor.

Operational Highlights (By Subsidiary)

Cornwall Resources Limited (“CRL”)

Redmoor Tungsten-Tin-Copper Project, Cornwall, UK

- Awarded £764,000 UK Government grant funding under the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, matched by proceeds from the April 2025 placing, supporting an accelerated programme towards pre-feasibility.
- Completed first drilling campaign since 2018, with 5,048.7m drilled between June and December 2025, delivered ahead of schedule and within budget.
- Exceptional drillhole results with high-grade tungsten, tin and copper intercepts, including 1.10m @ 7.19% WO₃ (7.51% WO₃.Eq) and 0.97m @ 7.52% WO₃ (7.78% WO₃.Eq), among the highest-grade results recorded at Redmoor.
- Identified multiple mineralised intervals and wide zones within the sheeted vein system, reinforcing Redmoor’s position as one of the highest-grade undeveloped tungsten deposits globally.
- Re-analysis of historical samples confirmed prior underreporting, with an average 9.2% uplift in tungsten grades.
- Invested in upgrading facilities and expanding the technical team to support the accelerated exploration and development programme.
- Post financial year-end, reported an ultra-high-grade intercept of 0.60m @ 18.96% WO₃ (22.09% WO₃.Eq), demonstrating the exceptional grade potential of the Redmoor Project.
- Confirmed discovery of a new mineralised structure (“North Tin Zone”) outside the existing deposit, with intercepts including 4.00m @ 0.25% Sn.
- Announced updated JORC (2012) Inferred Mineral Resource Estimate of 17.4Mt @ 0.65% WO₃.Eq, representing a 49% increase in tonnage and contained metal - confirms status as Europe’s highest grade undeveloped tungsten project.
- Delivered updated Economic Sensitivity Analysis indicating potential after-tax NPV(8%) of \$1.54bn and IRR of 40%, highlighting a material improvement in project economics.

Southern Minerals Group LLC (“SMG”)

Cobre magnetite stockpile, New Mexico, USA

- Cobre recorded its 3rd highest annual ore sales in 14 years with 61,279 tons (2024: 70,658 tons) sold to a diversified customer base.

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- Sales generated of approximately \$4.23m (2024: \$4.7m).
- Secured an extension of access to the Cobre magnetite operation's stockpile from 31 March 2027 to 31 March 2029.

Leigh Creek Copper Mine Pty Ltd ("LCCM")

Leigh Creek Copper Project, South Australia

- Signed a non-binding heads of agreement to grant a purchaser a call option to acquire LCCM, which was exercised. Company has received the first instalment of the initial payment.

Board Changes

- Philip Haydn-Slater appointed as Non-Executive Director on 27 January 2025
- Peter Wale retired from the Board on 24 March 2025
- Charles Manners moved from Non-Executive Chairman to Executive Chairman on 12 August 2025

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2025 ("Annual Report") contains 'forward-looking information', which may include, but is not limited to, statements with respect to the future financial and operating performance of Strategic Minerals Plc, its subsidiaries, production and exploration operations and affiliated companies, the future price of magnetite/iron ore, the estimation of mineral resources, the realisation of mineral resource estimates, costs of production, capital and exploration expenditures, costs and timing of the development of new deposits, costs and timing of the development of new mines, costs and timing of future exploration, requirements for additional capital, governmental regulation of mining operations and exploration operations, stockpile and tailings dam operations, timing and receipt of approvals, licenses, permits, conversions and ongoing approvals to operate exploration activities, stockpile and tailings dam operations under the United States of America, Australia and other applicable mineral legislation and environmental legislation, environmental risks, title disputes or claims, limitations of insurance coverage and the timing and possible outcome of pending litigation and regulatory matters.

Often, but not always, forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of words such as 'plans', 'expects', 'is expected', 'budget', 'scheduled', 'estimates', 'forecasts', 'intends', 'anticipates' or 'believes', or variations (including negative variations) of such words and phrases, or state that certain actions, events or results 'may', 'could', 'would', 'might' or 'will' be taken, occur or be achieved. Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance, or achievements of Strategic Minerals Plc and/or its subsidiaries, investment assets and/or its affiliated companies to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements.

Such factors include, among others, general business, economic, competitive, political and social uncertainties; the actual results of current exploration activities; stockpile processing/tailings dam operations; conclusions of economic evaluations and studies; fluctuations in the value of UK pounds sterling relative to the United States Dollar, Australian Dollar and other foreign currencies; changes in project parameters as plans continue to be refined; future prices of magnetite/iron ore; possible variations of ore grade or recovery rates; failure of plant, logistics providers, equipment or processes to operate as anticipated; accidents, labour disputes and other risks of the mining industry; political instability, insurrection or war; the effect of illness on labour force availability and turnover; delays in obtaining governmental approvals or financing or in the completion of development or construction activities. Although Strategic Minerals Plc has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual actions, events or results to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements, there may well be other factors that cause actions, events or results to differ from those currently anticipated, estimated or intended.

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
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2025 was a transformational year for the Company, in particular driven by developments at Cornwall Resources Limited ("CRL") and the Redmoor Tungsten-Tin-Copper Project, supported by strong operational performance and cash flow at the Cobre magnetite operation in New Mexico ("Cobre") and the start of realisation of value from exiting the Leigh Creek Copper Mines ("LCCM") asset in Australia.

Together, the Company is well placed to realise underlying value and take a commanding position as a leading critical mineral developer going forward.

Financial results

The Company delivered significant share price appreciation in 2025, up 472% and one of the top performing companies listed on AIM.

Cobre recorded its 3rd highest annual ore sales in 14 years with 61,279 tons (2024: 70,658 tons) sold to a diversified customer base, generating sales of approximately \$4.23m (2024: US\$4.7m), and improved year-end cash balances of \$0.78m.

Post period financial events

The Company raised £4.00m before expenses on 22 January 2026 at a price of 1.3p per new ordinary share of 0.1 pence each in the Company ("Ordinary Shares") and a further £4.7m before expenses on 19 March 2026 at a price of 3.5p per new Ordinary share, led by a prominent international investor. On 30 March 2026, it was announced that Gregory Coffey has joined the share register having acquired 3.34% of the Company.

Cornwall Resources Limited
Redmoor Tin-Tungsten-Copper Project

During the year, the team at Redmoor continued to deliver on the strategy of upgrading the understanding of the ore body and potential economics, targeting a renewed Mineral Resource Estimate ("MRE") and Economic Sensitivity Analysis in Q1 2026.

In detail, the team conducted the following activities:

- Secured £764,000 of UK Government grant funding from UK Shared Prosperity Fund which, together with matched funds from the Company's April 2025 placing, is enabling the programme to accelerate Redmoor towards pre-feasibility.
- 1st drilling since 2018 commenced in June 2025 with 5,048.70m completed by December 2025, ahead of schedule, within budget, and with exceptional results including;
 - o 1.10 m @ 7.19% WO₃, 0.02% & 1.11% Cu (7.51% WO₃.Eq) and 0.97m at 7.52 WO₃, 0.03% Sn & 0.87% Cu (7.78% WO₃.Eq), including one of the top 10 highest-grade sample results recorded at Redmoor from all previous drilling campaigns.
- Multiple mineralised intervals and wide zones of mineralisation within the Redmoor sheeted vein systems were identified, reinforcing Redmoor's status as one of the highest-grade undeveloped tungsten deposits globally;
- Re-analysis of historical samples confirmed previous underreporting of certain samples and an average 9.2% increase in tungsten grades, further solidifying Redmoor's position as Europe's highest-grade undeveloped tungsten deposit;
- Strategic Minerals Plc ("SML") invested in significantly upgrading facilities and capacity at the Redmoor project and hiring additional team members to support the programme.

Post-period events included:

- Reporting an ultra-high-grade tungsten, tin, and copper sample intercept containing 0.60m @ 18.96% WO₃, 2.76% Sn & 3.19% Cu for a tungsten equivalent grade of 22.09% WO₃.Eq from 563.13 m.

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- Confirmation of the discovery of a new, large, mineralised structure separate to the SVS deposit (the "North Tin Zone"), with a sample intersect of 4.00m @ 0.25% Sn, 0.01% Cu from 476.00m, including: 2.00m @ 0.40% Sn, 0.02% Cu & 0.00 WO₃ (0.34% WO₃.Eq) from 478.00 m.
- Announcement of updated JORC (2012) Inferred Mineral Resource Estimate of 17.4 Mt @ 0.65% WO₃.Eq; Representing a 49% Increase in Tonnage and Contained Metals Increases. Confirms Redmoor at 0.49% WO₃ (0.65% WO₃.Eq) is Europe's highest-grade, undeveloped, tungsten project compared to other CRIRSCO-compliant projects.
- Announcement of updated Economic Sensitivity Analysis Results in Standout Economics with Base Case Scenario of Potential After-Tax NPV(8%) of US\$1.54bn and 40% IRR.

Southern Minerals Group LLC Cobre Operations

In 2025, Cobre continued to provide a stable and reliable source of revenue for the Group, building on the strong recovery in demand seen in 2024 following the return of its major client. Revenues remained robust, supported by consistent shipment volumes and disciplined management.

The extension of access to the stockpile through to March 2029 continues to underpin the medium-term outlook for the operation and positions Cobre as a dependable cash-generating asset heading into 2026. The Company continues to consider ways of further increasing magnetite sales and consequently enhancing cash flow.

Leigh Creek Copper Mine Pty Ltd Leigh Creek Copper Project

In April 2025, the Company signed a non-binding heads of agreement with Axis Mining & Minerals Pty Ltd, which was subsequently novated to South Pacific Mineral Investments Pty Ltd trading as Cuprum Metals ("Cuprum"), based on the following conditions:

- The purchaser will make a non-refundable payment to Strategic Minerals of A\$100,000 within 30 days (subsequently extended by 14 days) from 23 April 2025 (or such further period as may be agreed by the parties), for an exclusive call option to acquire 100% of LCCM (the "Call Option").
- Under the Call Option, which is exercisable for a period of six months (or such longer period as may be agreed by the parties), the purchaser may elect to acquire 100% of LCCM for an initial payment to Strategic Minerals of A\$1.9m in cash.
- The purchaser anticipates completing a listing on the Australian Securities Exchange upon which it will issue shares to Strategic Minerals equivalent to 19.9% of the listed vehicle up to a maximum value limit of A\$3m.
- The purchaser will pay an earn-out to Strategic Minerals equivalent to A\$4m to be paid on a half yearly basis from the commencement of commercial production at the Project with each half yearly payment to be the equivalent of 20% of net free cash flows from the prior period.

The initial payment of A\$100,000 was received by the Company, and Cuprum later exercised the Call Option on 22 December 2025. This resulted in the payment by Cuprum of a first instalment of A\$150,000 being the initial instalment of the remaining cash payment as a minor variation to the terms. The balancing cash payment of A\$1.75m will fall due on the completion of the Definitive Agreement, with the remainder of the terms remaining unchanged.

The Company continues to engage with Cuprum to progress the transaction towards completion and realisation of value for the Leigh Creek Copper Project.

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Safety

The Company has a strong focus on safety issues across all its operating subsidiaries and continues to maintain a high level of performance when it comes to safety. In 2025 there were no safety issues reported (2024: one minor).

Conclusion

We are looking forward to continuing to progress our clearly set out strategic goals in 2026. The Redmoor resource had been largely overlooked for too long, but this is no longer the case. We believe it is now widely recognised as one of the highest grade undeveloped tungsten projects in the world, and we will seek to use our now strong cash position, as well as potential sale proceeds from Leigh Creek and existing and hopefully enhanced positive cash flow from the Southern Minerals Group to advance Redmoor at an ever greater pace through a Pre-Feasibility study and on towards Production.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Directors, our management and staff in Cornwall, New Mexico, and South Australia, along with our advisers, for their support and hard and skilful work on our behalf during the year. Additionally, I would like to thank all of our investors, clients, contractors, suppliers and partners for their continued confidence and backing on this path to delivering a new world-class polymetallic tungsten mine in the UK.



Charles Manners
Executive Chairman

19 May 2026

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The Directors of the Company and its subsidiaries (which together comprise the Group) present their Strategic Report on the Group for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Financial Performance

The Company and the Group's reporting currency is US dollars reflecting that, previously, the Group's revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities were predominantly in US currency and, currently, the bulk of revenues continue to be sourced in US dollars.

The Group recorded a profit before tax including discontinued operations of \$0.467m (2024 profit: \$1.996m).

The Group undertook a Board restructuring and significantly increased its activities on its Redmoor Project, resulting in increased overheads during the period. Having grown significantly in the previous year, revenue declined 11% from \$4.745m in 2024 to \$4.231m in 2025.

Alongside the ongoing profitable and cashflow generating magnetite sales activities in SMG, the primary exploration focus of the Group was on the Redmoor Project in Cornwall. \$1.287m was spent on the project, after income of \$0.791m from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

Cash at the end of the year was \$0.777m (2024: \$0.621m).

PROJECT REVIEW AND ACTIVITIES

Cornwall Resources Limited – Redmoor Tungsten-Tin-Copper Project

During 2025, the Company continued to execute its strategy of improving the understanding of the Redmoor orebody and advancing the economic case for development, targeting the delivery of an updated Mineral Resource Estimate ("MRE") and Economic Sensitivity Analysis in 2026.

A key milestone in the year was the award of £764,000 in grant funding from the UK Government under the UK Shared Prosperity Fund ("SPF"), managed by Cornwall Council through the Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Good Growth Programme. This funding, matched by Company expenditure from the April 2025 placing, supported an accelerated programme of drilling and technical work aimed at progressing the Project towards pre-feasibility.

Drilling recommenced in June 2025, representing the first drilling campaign at Redmoor since 2018. A total of 5,048.7 metres was completed by December 2025, ahead of schedule and within budget, delivering exceptional results. These included high-grade intercepts such as 1.10 metres at 7.19% WO₃, 0.02% Sn and 1.11% Cu (7.51% WO₃ equivalent), and 0.97 metres at 7.52% WO₃, 0.03% Sn and 0.87% Cu (7.78% WO₃ equivalent), including one of the highest-grade sample results recorded at Redmoor across all drilling campaigns.

The drilling programme identified multiple mineralised intervals and wide zones of mineralisation within the Redmoor sheeted vein system, further reinforcing the project's status as one of the highest-grade undeveloped tungsten deposits in Europe. In addition, re-analysis of historical samples confirmed that certain tungsten grades had been previously underreported, with results indicating an average increase of approximately 9.2% in tungsten grades, further enhancing the overall quality of the resource base.

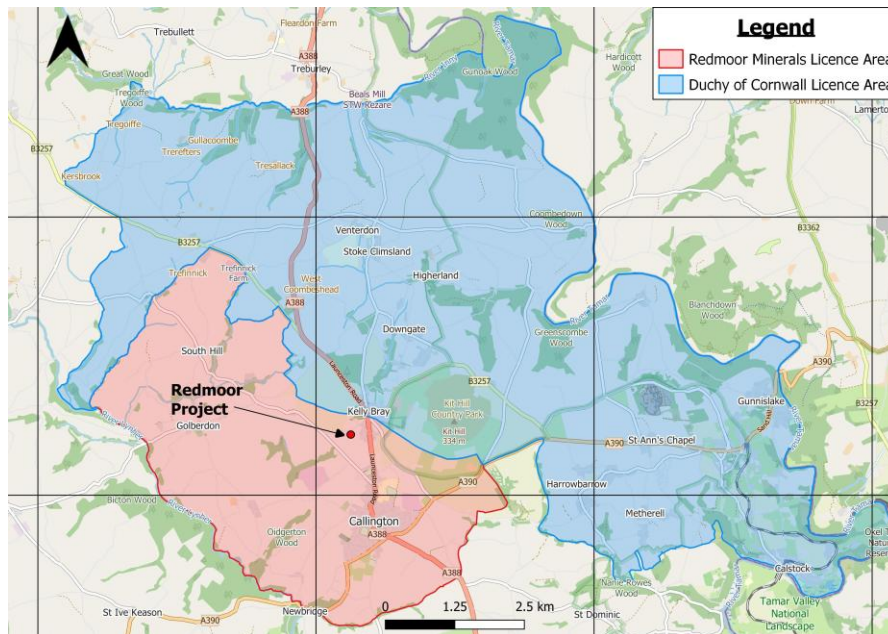
To support this accelerated programme, the Company invested in upgrading facilities and expanding the technical team, ensuring capacity to deliver both the drilling campaign and associated technical studies.

Subsequent to the period end, further significant results were reported, including an ultra-high-grade intercept of 0.60 metres at 18.96% WO₃, 2.76% Sn and 3.19% Cu (22.09% WO₃ equivalent), highlighting the exceptional grade potential within the system. In addition, the discovery of a new mineralised structure, the "North Tin Zone", confirmed further upside potential beyond the previously defined South Vein System, with intercepts including 4.00 metres at 0.25% Sn.

These results contributed to the delivery of an updated JORC (2012) Inferred Mineral Resource Estimate of 17.4 million tonnes at 0.65% WO₃ equivalent, representing a 49% increase in tonnage and contained metals compared to the previous estimate. The updated resource confirms Redmoor, at approximately 0.49% WO₃ (0.65% WO₃ equivalent), as one of the highest-grade undeveloped tungsten projects in Europe among CRIRSCO-compliant projects.

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The Board considers that CRL continues to hold a significant and increasingly valuable asset. The scale, grade and improving technical and economic parameters of the Project, together with its location within the UK, provide a strong foundation for advancing Redmoor towards development for the benefit of stakeholders.



In 2025, Cobre continued to provide a stable and reliable source of revenue for the Group, building on the strong recovery in demand seen in 2024 following the return of its major client. Revenues remained robust, supported by consistent shipment volumes and disciplined management.

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The extension of access to the stockpile through to March 2029 continues to underpin the medium-term outlook for the operation and positions Cobre as a dependable cash-generating asset heading into 2026.

Cobre continues to benefit from strong operational oversight under the leadership of Tim Klumker. The Board of Strategic Minerals also conducted an in-depth site visit in October 2025.

SMG continues to have an exemplary safety record and has developed an enviable culture that reinforces the highest safety standards. In 2025, there were no safety incidents.



Fig. 3 - View of Cobre resource and open pit under excavation



Fig. 4 - Beneficiation of magnetite on surface

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Fig.5 - Loading of Cobre product on the weighbridge in preparation for shipping

Leigh Creek Copper Mine Pty Ltd (“LCCM”)

During 2025, the Company made tangible progress toward the monetisation of LCCM, following several years of permitting, technical work and engagement with potential counterparties.

In April 2025, the Company signed a non-binding heads of agreement with Axis Mining & Minerals Pty Ltd, which was subsequently novated to South Pacific Mineral Investments Pty Ltd trading as Cuprum Metals (“Cuprum”), based on the following conditions:

- The purchaser will make a non-refundable payment to Strategic Minerals of A\$100,000 within 30 days (subsequently extended by 14 days) from 23 April 2025 (or such further period as may be agreed by the parties), for an exclusive call option to acquire 100% of LCCM (the “Call Option”).
- Under the Call Option, which will be exercisable for a period of six months (or such longer period as may be agreed by the parties), the purchaser may elect to acquire 100% of LCCM for an initial payment to Strategic Minerals of A\$1.9m in cash.
- The purchaser anticipates completing a listing on the Australian Securities Exchange upon which it will issue shares to Strategic Minerals equivalent to 19.9% of the listed vehicle up to a maximum value limit of A\$3m.
- The purchaser will pay an earn-out to Strategic Minerals equivalent to A\$4m to be paid on a half yearly basis from the commencement of commercial production at the Project with each half yearly payment to be the equivalent of 20% of net free cash flows from the prior period.

Cuprum exercised the Call Option by 18 June 2025 and subsequently paid a first instalment of A\$150,000 of the initial payment as a minor variation to the terms.

The Company continues to engage with Cuprum to progress the transaction towards completion and realisation of value.

LCCM has three approved Mining Leases that cover a number of copper oxide deposits, including Lorna Doone, Lynda, Mountain of Light (Rosmann East and Paltridge North) and the Mount Coffin deposit. All the Mineral Resources are contained within the Mining Leases. They contain a JORC 2012 total resource of 3.61mt @ 0.69% copper for 24,900 of contained copper metal which forms the base of the project and includes the following resource category breakdown.

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	Inferred		Indicated		Total Resource		
Deposit	Tonnes	Copper Grade	Tonnes	Copper Grade	Tonnes	Copper Grade	Copper Metal (tonnes)
Paltridge North	41,000	0.49%	879,000	0.82%	920,000	0.81%	7,400
Lynda	-	-	1,349,000	0.65%	1,349,000	0.65%	8,800
Lorna Doone	66,000	0.68%	1,280,000	0.65%	1,346,000	0.65%	8,700
Total	107,000	0.61%	3,508,000	0.69%	3,615,000	0.69%	24,900

An existing heap leach and Kennecott cone-based copper processing facility is located at the Mountain of Light deposit (adjacent to Rosmann East and nearby Paltridge North) and was successfully operated for a short period in 2019 to test its capacity to resume full time operations.



Fig. 6 – Tailings ponds and existing infrastructure

The region around the project has excellent infrastructure with a modern town (Leigh Creek), sealed airstrip, sealed and all-weather roads, power and water utilities.

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Fig. 7 – Existing mill infrastructure

In addition to the Mining Leases, two approved Exploration Leases, covering an area of 686km² in the northern Flinders Ranges, are included in the project. These provide excellent opportunities for exploration of new copper oxide resources.

Safety

There were no safety incidents in 2025 (2024: one minor).

Board Changes

Name	Position	Appointment Date	Resignation Date
Charles Manners*	Executive Chairman	1 September 2024	
Mark Burnett	Executive Director	1 September 2024	
Philip Haydn- Slater	Non-Executive Director	27 January 2025	
Peter Wale	Executive Director		24 March 2025

** Charles Manners was appointed as Non-Executive Director on 1 September 2024 and subsequently appointed as Executive Chairman on 12 August 2025.*

** Mark Burnett was appointed as Non-Executive Director on 1 September 2024 and subsequently as Executive Director on 14 November 2024.*

Key Risks and Uncertainties

The management of the business and the execution of the Group's strategy are subject to a number of risks. The Group regularly reviews the principal risks and uncertainties that the business faces and assesses appropriate responses to mitigate and, where possible, eliminate potential adverse impact. There is the possibility that if more than one event occurs, that the overall effect of such events would compound the possible adverse effects on the Group.

Our principal risks and uncertainties are as follows:

Commodity prices and currency risk

Although the Group's main income stream at Cobre is focused on localised markets, which minimises the impact of global commodity prices, the value of its development projects can still be subject to changes in global commodity prices. Fluctuations in commodity markets are affected by numerous factors beyond the Group's control, including global demand and supply, international economic trends, currency exchange fluctuations,

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expectations for inflation, speculative activity, consumption patterns and global or regional political events. The aggregate effect of these factors is impossible to predict. Fluctuations in commodity prices, over the long term, may adversely impact the returns of the Group's investments. The Group monitors commodity prices and structures its portfolio of assets with commodities that are likely to appreciate in the medium to long term.

The Group reports its results in US Dollars, whilst the functional currency of the parent company from which the Group derives most of its funding is Pound Sterling. Fluctuations in exchange rates between currencies in which the Group invest, reports, or derives income may cause fluctuations in its financial results that are not necessarily related to the Group's underlying operations. The Group converts funds to a currency in which funds will be utilised on an as needed basis.

Funding risk

The Group requires funds, both to manage its working capital requirements and fund new and existing projects, as the Group seeks to grow. If the Group is not able to obtain sufficient financial resources, it may not be able to develop new and existing projects. There can be no assurance that such funds will continue to be available on reasonable terms, or at all in the future. The Directors regularly review cash flow expenditure requirements, and the cash flow generated from its Cobre operation to ensure the Company and Group can meet financial obligations as and when they fall due.

Since the year end, the Group has successfully raised £8.7m (approx \$12.0m), significantly reducing the funding risk for the foreseeable future. Funds are expected to allow for the completion of and expanded resource and Pre Feasibility Study at the Redmoor project.

Reserve and resource risk

The mineral reserve and resource relating to CRL are only estimates and no assurance can be given that the estimated reserves and resources will be recovered or that they will be recovered at the rates estimated. Reserve and resource estimates are based on sampling and, consequently, are uncertain because the samples may not be representative. Reserve and resource estimates may require revision (up or down) based on future actual production experience. The discovery of mineral deposits is dependent upon a number of factors including the technical skill of the exploration personnel involved.

The commercial viability of a mineral deposit, once discovered, is also dependent upon several factors, including the size, grade and proximity to infrastructure, metal prices and government regulations, including regulations relating to royalties, allowable production, importing and exporting of minerals, and environmental protection. There can be no guarantee that a mineral deposit will be economically viable. The Group undertakes studies in order to mitigate this risk.

Licence and Permitting risk

The exploration, developing and mining of resources is, usually, governed by licensing and permitting requirements issued, generally, by governments. These normally cover limited periods, and risk may be attached to whether governments permit these periods to be extended or institute "new" conditions on their usage. While this is true for all resource projects it has significant application to SML's primary pre-production asset, namely Redmoor. The current exploration and evaluation work is reliant on the CRL maintaining the necessary licences and permits in good standing and meeting all obligation set out under them. Ultimately, a mining licence will need to be obtained. However, for the present, the principal focus is on the current fully funded project activities including drilling and the Pre-Feasibility Study.

The Group are in advanced discussions relating to the sale of LCCM - The PEPR permitting process provides risk, both to costs and timing of projects. While the PEPR for mining copper oxide material from Paltridge North is unconditional, at the time of writing, the variation to encapsulate the transitional ore expected at the bottom of the planned Paltridge North pit has also been submitted and is pending approval. There is also a need for a PEPR for the Lynda/Lorna Doone deposit. Allowance for these undertakings is reflected in our internal plans and valuations, but it is acknowledged that risks to the overall projects value may arise from variations to expectations around the granting of these PEPRs.

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Customer risk

The level of profitability of the Group is currently dependant on the performance of the Group's Cobre operation in the United States. The Cobre operation has several major customers and should one or more of these customers choose to not to purchase product it may have a substantial impact on the performance of the Group. The Group continues to look for additional customers at Cobre to address this risk and in addition will develop other projects such as Redmoor to reduce the risk of dependence on any one customer or project.

Operational and Environmental risk

Mining operations are subject to hazards normally encountered in exploration, development, and production. These include unexpected geological formations, rock falls, flooding, dam wall failure and other incidents or conditions which could result in damage to plant or equipment, people, or the environment and which could impact any future production throughput. Although it is intended to take adequate precautions to minimise risk, there is a possibility of a material adverse impact on the Group's operations and its financial results. The Group will develop and maintain policies appropriate to the stage of development of its various projects. In 2020, as a safeguard to both our clients and staff, amendments were made to operational procedures to ensure that delivery of material was contactless. These procedures have continued as standard practice.

Strategic risk

Significant and increasing competition exists for mineral acquisition opportunities throughout the world. As a result of this competition, the Group may be unable to acquire rights to exploit additional revenue generative assets such as Cobre and attractive mining development properties such as Redmoor and LCCM on terms it considers acceptable. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the Group will acquire any interest in additional operations that would yield reserves or result in commercial mining operations. The Group expects to undertake sufficient due diligence to help ensure opportunities are subjected to proper evaluation.

Uninsurable risk

The Group may become subject to liability for accidents, pollution, and other hazards against which it cannot insure or against which it may elect not to insure because of prohibitive premium costs or for other reasons, such as amounts which exceed policy limits.

Product risk

The Group has a contract for access to magnetite iron ore at the Cobre operation until March 2029. There is a risk that the supplier may terminate the agreement, after this time, in which case the Group would no longer have product to sell. The Group's proactive approach in securing access for the coming years has minimised the impact this risk may have on future operations and the Group's management actively engages with its supplier throughout the year to proactively address any concerns that the supplier may raise.

Dependence on key personnel risk

The Group and Company are dependent upon the executive and local management teams. Whilst it has entered into contractual agreements with the aim of securing the services of these personnel, the retention of their services cannot be guaranteed. The development and success of the Group depends on the Company's ability to recruit and retain high quality and experienced staff. The loss of the service of key personnel or the inability to attract additional qualified personnel as the Group grows could have an adverse effect on future business and financial conditions. The Group incentivises executives and management with market-based remuneration packages, short term and long-term incentive schemes.

Climate Change Risk

While climate change considerations can seriously impact resource companies, the Group considers that there is little downside risk from these considerations, given the metals and minerals in its portfolio, and that these climate change considerations are likely to impact positively on commodity prices for both copper and tin.

Ongoing War Risk

The ongoing Russia- Ukraine and Middle East conflicts continue to raise the possibility of a global conflict. To date, these actions have generally positively impacted on resource prices relevant to SML. However, there is risk,

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that global economic growth may be severely curtailed, and this would, ultimately, have a negative impact on the demand for resources.

Key Performance Indicators

The Board monitors the activities and performance of the Group on a regular basis. The principal KPI's monitored by the Group are sales of product from Cobre, the cash position of the Group, the investment in project activities, the progress of the primary exploration and evaluation asset (the Redmoor Project), the share price of the Group and the health, safety, and environmental incidents of the Group.

The sales of product at Cobre were 11% lower in 2025 than in 2024, in part due to the 10-day shut down during H1 resulting from the New Mexico wildfires. Revenue in 2025 was \$4.231m (2024: \$4.745m).

The cash position of the Group as of 31 December 2025 was \$0.777m which increased from \$0.621m from the previous year. Broadly speaking, cash generated from the Cobre project covered the working capital requirements of the wider group and also contributed towards the exploration and evaluation work on the Redmoor project, which was largely funded through the funds raised during the year, along with the SPF Grant funding. Subsequent to the year end the Group has raised significant additional funds (approx.\$12.0m) to continue to advance the Redmoor project.

The share price of the Company increased significantly during the year from 0.25p at the start of the year to 1.43p at 31 December 2025, a 472% increase.

At the Redmoor project, a significant drilling campaign was undertaken during 2025 and into 2026, with the maiden MRE on track to be completed in Q1 2026.

The Group had no health and safety or environmental incidents during the year, (2024: one minor health and safety).

Strategy

The principal strategy for the Company is the advancement and development of critical mineral assets in the UK, supported by cash flow generation from its US asset base, while generating long-term value for shareholders.

Outlook and Prospects

The Company is committed to the advancement of the Redmoor Tungsten-Tin-Copper project in Cornwall, UK as a world-class critical minerals project. Robust price performance for critical minerals in 2025, notably tungsten, provide a strong foundation as the Company moves toward completing a pre-feasibility study.

The Company's overheads continue to be supported by cash flow generation from the Cobre magnetite stockpile operation in New Mexico, USA. The Company is also committed to executing a sale of LCCM.

The Group will continue its policy, since the arrival of the current Board members, of maintaining control of its overheads. The Board will also look to reduce costs by simplifying the group structure, especially by focussed on a reduction in the number of Australian subsidiaries.

Directors' section 172 statement

Section 172 of the Companies Act 2006 requires Directors to take into consideration the interests of stakeholders and other matters in their decision making. The Directors continue to have regard to the interests of the Company's employees and other stakeholders, the impact of its activities on the community, the environment and the Company's reputation for good business conduct, when making decisions. In this context, acting in good faith and fairly, the Directors consider what is most likely to promote the success of the Company for its members in the long term. We explain in this annual report, and referenced below, how the Board engages with stakeholders.

Likely consequence of any decision in the long term

The Chairman's Statement, Strategic Report Business Strategy and the Corporate Governance Statement set out the Company's long-term rationale and strategy.

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Interests of employees

The Employee section of the Company's Corporate Governance Statement sets out the Company's approach to the interests of its employees.

The Board ensures that the Company's workforce is treated in a manner consistent with its core values of integrity, safety, and responsible stewardship of natural resources. This is monitored through regular reporting from operational management, review of health, safety and wellbeing metrics, and direct engagement with personnel across the Company's sites in Cornwall, New Mexico and Australia. The Board reviews the operation of these arrangements annually and confirms that no material concerns were raised during the year ended 31 December 2025.

Foster business relationships with suppliers, customers, and others

The Company's approach to business relationships with stakeholders and shareholders are set out in the Company's Corporate Governance Statement.

Community and environment

The Company's approach to the community is set out in the Corporate Governance Statement.

Maintain high standards of business conduct

The Corporate Governance Statement sets out the Board and Committee structures and extensive Board and Committee meetings held during 2025, together with the experience of executive management and the Board and the Company's policies and procedures.

Act fairly between shareholders

The Corporate Governance Statement sets out the process the Company follows to ensure it all shareholder interests are preserved and enhanced.

Principal Decisions made by the Board

We define principal decisions as both those that have long-term strategic impact and are material to the Group, but also those that are significant to our key stakeholder groups. In making the following principal decisions, the Board considered the outcome from its stakeholder engagement, the need to maintain a reputation for high standards of business conduct and the need to act fairly between the members of the Company:

- (a) **Progression of Redmoor Tungsten-Tin-Copper Project**
The Board continues to focus its attention on developing the Redmoor Tin-Tungsten-Copper project. During 2025 the Group undertook a significant drill campaign on the project which concluded in Q1 2026 with the completion of a Mineral Resource Estimate and Economic Sensitivity Analysis.
- (b) **Commitment to sale of Leigh Creek**
Throughout 2025, the Board has concentrated its efforts to sell LCCM. While the Board is confident that LCCM will be sold, management chose to fully impair the value of the LCCM asset at 31 December 2024, and the asset continues to be impaired. Cuprum, the proposed buyer of the assets, exercised its option in December 2025, and both parties continue to work towards completion of the sale in H1 2026.
- (c) **Limiting of dilution in line with investment in value added project progression**
The Board has adopted a policy of seeking to minimise shareholder dilution as much as possible and to, generally, ensure that the bulk of funds raised are for value added purposes/projects. This has been achieved in 2025 through the use of the UK Government Grant matching over £750k of expenditure on the Redmoor project. Since the year end, the Board have successfully raised funding for the next phase of work at Redmoor, namely the completion of additional infill drilling and a pre-feasibility study, at increasing higher placing prices.
- (d) **Commitment to funding operating costs from Cobre cash flows**
The Board has adopted a long running strategic objective to maintain corporate overheads within after-tax cash flow generated from its Cobre operations. In this manner, any dilutive equity issues are directed at, potentially, valuable accretive investments to progress projects.

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In making the above principal decisions, the Directors believe that they have considered all relevant stakeholders, potential impact and conflicts, the Company's business model and its long-term strategic objectives, and have acted accordingly to promote the success of the Company for the benefit of its members as a whole.

The Strategic Report was approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors and was signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mark Burnett', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mark Burnett
Executive Director
19 May 2026

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS
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The Directors present their report and the audited financial statements for Strategic Minerals Plc (“the Company”) and its wholly owned subsidiaries (“the Group”) for the year ended 31 December 2025.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES, BUSINESS REVIEW AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Company is a public limited company registered in the UK whose registered office is 27/28 Eastcastle Street, London, W1W 8DH.

The principal activity of the Company is a holding company. The principal activity of the Group is the exploration, development, and operation of mining projects.

A review of the Group’s business during the financial year and its likely development is given in the preceding Chairman’s Report and Strategic Report.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The Group recorded a loss after taxation for the year of \$0.148m (2024 profit: \$1.305m).

The Directors do not propose to recommend any distribution by way of dividend for the year ended 31 December 2025.

DIRECTORS

The Directors who served the Company during the period and to the date of this report were as follows:

Current Directors

Mark Burnett

Charles Manners

Philip Haydn-Slater (appointed 27 January 2025)

Peter Wale (resigned 24 March 2025)

DIRECTORS’ INTERESTS IN SHARES AND OPTIONS

The persons who held office during the year or at the year-end had the following interests in share capital and options of the Company as detailed below.

Director	Shares held at 31 December 2025	Shares held 31 December 2024
Charles Manners	100,000,000	97,358,191
Mark Burnett	-	-
Philip Haydn-Slater	5,000,000	-
Peter Wale	-	80,767,266

Director	Options held at 31 December 2025	Options held 31 December 2024
Charles Manners	50,000,000	-
Mark Burnett	70,000,000	-
Philip Haydn-Slater	-	-
Peter Wale	-	-

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DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION AND SERVICE CONTRACTS

Under their respective service contracts, the officers of the Company received fees as detailed in the Directors' Remuneration table in Note 6.

SHARE CAPITAL

Strategic Minerals Plc is incorporated as a public limited company and is registered in England and Wales with the registered number 07440902. Details of the Parent Company's issued share capital, together with details of the movements during the year, are shown in Note 19.

The Parent Company has one class of Ordinary Share and all shares have equal voting rights and rank *pari passu* for the distribution of dividends and repayment of capital.

The total issued share capital of the Company at 31 December 2025 comprised 2,369,297,949 ordinary shares of 0.10p each, with one voting right per share. The Company does not hold any ordinary shares in treasury.

The total number of ordinary shares and voting rights in the Company was therefore 2,369,297,949 at 31 December 2025.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

As at 15 May 2026 shareholdings of 3% or more of the issued share capital notified to the Company were:

	Number of 0.1p ordinary shares	Percentage of issued share capital
Charles and Alexandra Manners	100,000,000	3.55
Gregory John Coffey	94,285,713	3.34

Based on the total issued share capital of 2,818,775,969 at 15 May 2026.

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

There were no political contributions made by the Group during the year ended 31 December 2025 (2024: Nil).

INFORMATION TO SHAREHOLDERS - WEBSITE

The Company has its own website (www.strategicminerals.net) for the purposes of improving information flow to shareholders, as well as to potential investors.

GOING CONCERN

The Directors have considered the Company's and Group's ability to continue as a going concern through review of cash flow forecasts prepared by management for a period of 12 months from the date of signing this report and a review of the key assumptions on which these are based and sensitivity analysis.

In January and March 2026, the Company raised gross proceeds of approximately £8.7m (approx. \$12.0m) principally to advance the Redmoor Project through a Pre-Feasibility Study. As a result, the Group is fully funded for all planned activities for a period in excess of 12 months from the date of signing this report, and therefore the Directors do not consider there to be any going concern issues. Consequently, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

INDEMNITY OF OFFICERS

The Company currently maintains insurance to cover against legal action brought against its directors and officers. It evaluates on the appointment of new directors whether an indemnity from the Company for the actions of previous directors is warranted. However, the Company may purchase and maintain, for any Director or officer, insurance against any liability in the near future pending the evolution and complexity of any further new projects undertaken by the Group.

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FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Refer to Note 3 to the financial statements for further details.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

The Redmoor R&D project seeks to further develop and understand the geology of economically viable resources of contained tungsten, tin and copper in the area of Kelly Bray, Cornwall, and to develop the associated technologies required to extract them. Ongoing activities have expanded to CRL's wider mineral rights license area, including the Tamar Valley License Area (licensed in April 2024), to research and understand the wider mineral potential of the area and the project's environmental baselines.

STREAMLINED ENERGY & CARBON REPORTING (SECR)

The Company has consumed less than 40,000 kWh of energy during the financial year. As a low energy user, detailed information regarding our energy consumption, emissions, and energy efficiency measures is not included in this report.

AUDITORS

Moore Kingston Smith LLP were appointed as auditors of the Company for the financial year. A resolution to re-appoint Moore Kingston Smith LLP will be put to the shareholders at the next Annual General Meeting.

EVENTS AFTER THE END OF THE REPORTING PERIOD

Refer to Note 27 to the financial statements for further details.

PUBLICATION OF ACCOUNTS ON COMPANY WEBSITE

Financial statements are published on the Company's website. The maintenance and integrity of the website is the responsibility of the Directors. The Directors' responsibility also extends to the financial statements contained therein.

STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

So far as the Directors, at the time of approval of their report, are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware; and
- the Directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken as Directors in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

By order of the Board



Mark Burnett
Executive Director

19 May 2026

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STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Directors' responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors are required to prepare the Group and Company financial statements in accordance with UK adopted International Accounting Standards. Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the group and company and of the profit or loss of the group and company for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether they have been prepared in accordance with UK adopted International Accounting Standards subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group and the Company will continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Website publication

The Directors are responsible for ensuring the annual report and the financial statements are made available on a website. Financial statements are published on the Company's website in accordance with legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements, which may vary from legislation in other jurisdictions. The maintenance and integrity of the company's website is the responsibility of the Directors. The Directors' responsibility also extends to the ongoing integrity of the financial statements contained therein.

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CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

Board of Directors

The aim of the Board is to function at the head of the Group's management structures, leading and controlling its activities and setting a strategy for enhancing shareholder value. Regular meetings are held to review the Group's forward planning. The Board currently consists of an Executive Chairman, an Executive Director, and a Non-Executive Director.

The Directors recognise the importance of sound corporate governance commensurate with the size and nature of the Company and the interests of its shareholders and have adopted The QCA Corporate Governance Code (the "QCA Code").

The QCA Code's application to the Company, as outlined in its corporate governance statements and disclosures, involves adhering to its principles while considering various expectations, and explaining any deviations from these principles. This supports the Company's medium to long-term success by promoting transparency, accountability, and strong governance practices, which in turn builds investor confidence and fosters a sustainable business environment.

In addition to the details provided below, governance disclosures can be found at the Company's website at www.strategicminerals.net.

Principle 1: Establish a purpose, strategy and business model which promote long-term value for shareholders

The Board has developed and enunciated a strategy and business model as detailed on the Company's website at <https://www.strategicminerals.net>.

The principal growth strategy for the Company is the advancement and development of critical mineral assets in the UK, supported by sustainable cash flow generation from its US asset base.

The Board considers the Company's strategy provides a framework for medium to longer term growth in shareholder value.

The major risks to the Company's overall strategy stem from the potential failure to maintain access to the Cobre magnetite stockpile and overextending its cash requirements.

In relation to cash flow management of the Company, the Directors closely monitor existing and expected cash flow resources and plans for committing these to project development and covering of corporate overheads. In addition, the Board regularly is in contact with market participants to ensure that sufficient interest and awareness is maintained in the market and that the Company can, generally, raise funding as required.

A consideration of broader risks of the Company can also be found at pages 10 to 12 of this report and the financial instruments Note 3 of these financial statements.

The Company's corporate purpose is to create sustainable long-term value for shareholders by responsibly discovering, developing and monetising critical mineral assets, with a particular focus on tungsten, tin and other strategic minerals essential to the green transition and digital economy. This purpose underpins the Board's strategic decisions and the Company's business model, and guides how the Company engages with its employees, host communities and other stakeholders.

Principle 2: Promote a corporate culture that is based on ethical values and behaviours

The Directors recognise that their decisions regarding strategy and risk will impact the corporate culture of the Company as a whole and that this will impact the performance of the Company. The Board seeks to embody and promote a corporate culture that is based on sound ethical values as it believes the tone and culture set by the Board impacts all aspects of the Company, including the way that employees and other stakeholders behave.

The Company has adopted a code for Directors' and employees' dealings in securities which is appropriate for a company whose securities are traded on AIM and is in accordance with the requirements of the Market Abuse

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Regulation which came into effect in 2016. The Code sets out the circumstances and procedures by which shares can be bought and sold and is supplied to all persons discharging managerial duties.

The formation of the Safety Committee and the way options are allocated to Directors and key management/consultants has created a team environment in which the running of the Company is aligned with medium to longer term shareholder goals.

The Board monitors the Company's culture through regular reporting from operational management, review of safety and wellbeing metrics, and direct engagement with personnel across the Company's sites in Cornwall, New Mexico and Australia. The Board is satisfied that the Company's workforce is treated in a manner consistent with its values of integrity, safety, and responsible stewardship of natural resources.

These measures enable the Company to determine that ethical values and behaviours are recognised and respected.

The Board monitors culture through regular operational reporting, one-to-one discussions with management and direct engagement with personnel at all operating sites. Where any behaviour is identified as falling short of the Company's values, the Board addresses this promptly through appropriate management action. The Company operates an open-door reporting policy and is developing a formal whistleblower framework to allow employees and consultants to raise concerns in confidence. The Board will keep these arrangements under review as the Company's workforce and operations expand.

Principle 3: Seek to understand and meet shareholder needs and expectations

As the Company is involved in the mining industry, the Board is highly cognisant of its responsibility not only to shareholders but in the broader community. As such, it has adopted a policy to ensure adequate community consultation is undertaken in the areas where we operate. Notably, in New Mexico USA, Cornwall UK and Leigh Creek Australia, communication with local residents and active involvement in the community has been encouraged. Additionally, the Company has a policy to, where possible, employ local residents when undertaking operations. To date, this has proven highly successful with all locations recording either none or extremely low levels of community dissent.

Environmental & Climate-Related Responsibilities: The Board recognises that climate change and environmental stewardship are material considerations for the Company's long-term strategy, particularly given the nature of its mineral assets and operations. Although the Company is at a pre-production stage for its flagship Redmoor project, the Board incorporates environmental planning into its development framework and expects that the Pre-Feasibility Study for Redmoor will include assessment of climate-related risks and opportunities, energy consumption, carbon footprint, and environmental permitting requirements. The Board will continue to develop its approach to climate-related disclosures as the Company advances towards production, including the publication of a Sustainability Report.

Shareholder input and communication has been actively sought by the Board through direct contact with shareholders at both the Annual General Meeting, shareholder information evenings (sometimes combined with the Annual General Meeting), monitoring of social media platforms, regular RNS releases and direct one on one meetings with larger investors. At all times, due regard is given to the price sensitive nature of comments.

All shareholders are encouraged to attend the Company's Annual General Meeting and investors have access to current information on the Company through its website and via the info@strategicminerals.net email address.

At this stage, the principal environmental and social disclosures are contained in the Strategic Report, including the Company's approach to health and safety, community engagement and environmental stewardship at each of its assets.

As the Company's operations develop, the Board are targeting more comprehensive quantitative ESG disclosure, including the preparation of its first comprehensive Sustainability Report.

Principle 4: Take into account wider stakeholder interests, including social and environmental responsibilities, and their implications for long-term success

The management of the business and the execution of the Group's strategy are subject to a number of risks. The Group regularly reviews the principal risks that face the business and assesses appropriate responses to mitigate and, where possible, eliminate potential adverse impact.

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The Board is constantly undertaking a review of risk and, as a mining company, has adopted and engendered a safety culture within the Group to ensure that personnel safety is considered above financial reward.

The Board obtains assurance over the effectiveness of its risk management and internal control arrangements through review of management accounts and financial reporting at each board meeting, direct oversight by the Audit Committee of financial reporting and audit findings, and operational reporting from site management at Cobre and from the Cornwall Resources team. Given the size of the Company, the Board does not consider it proportionate to maintain a formal internal audit function at this stage, but will keep this position under review as the Company's operations expand.

Information in relation to the Key Risks and Uncertainties that are relevant to the Group are set on page 10-12 of this report.

The Board recognises that its employees and site-based consultants are fundamental to operational delivery and that their engagement, safety and wellbeing are material to the long-term success of the business. The Company maintains direct communication with all site personnel and encourages open reporting of safety or conduct concerns.

Environmental responsibilities, including land stewardship, regulatory permitting and climate-related risks, are embedded in the Company's project development planning, and will be published as part of its upcoming Sustainability Report. The Board will continue to develop its approach to formal stakeholder mapping and reporting on environmental and social matters as the Company grows.

The Board currently has one independent non-executive director and acknowledges the need for greater independent representation within its members. It is committed to keeping its composition under active review and intends to seek to strengthen its independent non-executive representation as the Company's resources and operational complexity increase. The Board is also aware of the expectations of diversity characteristics and will incorporate these considerations into any future director recruitment process.

Board Committees

The Board has established separate sub-committees for Audit, Remuneration and Safety.

Given the composition of the Board and the size of the Company, it is felt a separate Nomination Committee is not yet warranted. However, as the Company's operations expand, the Board will monitor this aspect of operations and will respond accordingly. The Board collectively undertakes the function of such a committee and where conflicts arise the Directors exclude themselves from voting on such matters.

Further information on the Company's Audit, Remuneration, and Safety Committees and their policies are set out under Principle 9 below.

Member details of the committees as at the date of this report are:

Members	Remuneration Committee	Safety Committee	Audit Committee
Charles Manners - Executive Chairman	Member	Member	Chair
Mark Burnett - Executive Director		Chair	Member
Philip Haydn-Slater – Non-Executive Director	Chair		

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Principle 5: Embed effective risk management, internal controls and assurance activities, considering both opportunities and threats, throughout the organisation

There are currently three (3) Board Directors (one of which is non-executive) and the Board considers that, at this time, this is appropriate to the Company's current level of operations, although this is reviewed formally at least annually. The Board is considered well balanced in that:

- Charles Manners - Executive Chairman (appointed Non-Executive Chairman 1 September 2024, then as Executive Chairman 12 August 2025).

Mr Manners has been the largest shareholder in SML for a number of years. He worked in investment banking from 1985 until 2009, latterly as a Senior Managing Director and Head of Fixed Income Sales at Nomura International PLC. From 2009 to 2016, he was a co-founder and partner in an advisory firm, focussed on tailored structured solutions. He was a Non-Executive Director of Asset Trust Housing Association Limited, a regulated provider of affordable shared ownership housing, and is a Director and Chairman of the Board of Campden Charities. In addition, he is an extensive investor, focussed primarily on natural resources, healthcare and real estate.

- Mark Burnett - Executive Director (appointed as Non-Executive Director 1 September 2024 then as Executive Director 15 November 2024).

Mr Burnett is Director of Mining Investments at RAB Capital, a leading mining specialist investor in London, with over 10 years investing and corporate finance experience in extractive industries across North America, Australia and Europe. He has held a number of Non-Executive and Interim-Chair roles in listed companies throughout the crucial minerals industry, operating in Africa and the USA.

- Philip Haydn-Slater - Independent Non-Executive Director (appointed 25 January 2025).

Mr Haydn-Slater has significant public and private company exposure, covering corporate finance, investments, and Board positions of publicly listed companies.

He is currently the Non-Executive Chairman of Riverfort Global Opportunities PLC. He was previously Non-Executive Director of RA International PLC, as well as ASX Listed ADX Energy Ltd and Sacgasco Ltd.

All Directors are encouraged to use their independent judgement and to challenge all matters, whether strategic or operational.

Role of the Chairman

The Chairman's role is multifaceted, encompassing leadership, effective board functioning, communication, and oversight of governance practices. He is responsible for leading the board, setting agendas, facilitating discussions, and ensuring all board members have a voice. The chair also acts as a key communicator, representing the board to stakeholders and shareholders. He oversees the board's performance, including annual reviews, and is responsible for setting high governance standards.

Attendance at Board and Committee Meetings

The Board aims to meet at least eight times a year and as required from time to time to consider specific issues required for decision by the Board.

The Company held nine Board meetings and several sub-committee meetings during the reporting period and the number of meetings attended by each of the Directors of the Company during the year to 31 December 2025 is listed below.

The Directors attended all Board meetings and committee meetings that they were eligible and required to attend, except Mr Peter Wale who did not attend two Board meetings.

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CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT *(continued)*

Director		Board Meetings	Remuneration Committee	Audit Committee	Safety Committee
M Burnett	Executive Director	4	1	-	1
C Manners	Executive Chairman	4	2	2	1
P Haydn-Slater	Non-Executive Director	4	2	-	-
P Wale	Executive Director (resigned 24 March 2025)	-	-	-	-

Directors' conflict of interest

The Company has effective procedures in place to monitor and deal with conflicts of interest. The Board is aware of the other commitments and interests of its Directors, and changes to these commitments and interests are reported to and, where appropriate, agreed with the rest of the Board.

Time Commitment of Directors.

All current Directors are remunerated on a fixed fee basis. Directors are also eligible for the award of share options.

Principle 6: Establish and maintain the board as a well-functioning, balanced team led by the chair

Biographies for the Directors can be found in the 'Board of Directors and Corporate Management' section of the company website at <https://www.strategicminerals.net/>.

The Board is not dominated by one person or group of people.

The Board undertakes regular reviews of its capacity to guide the Company in seeking to implement the Company's strategy. The Board also reviews periodically the appropriateness and opportunity for continuing professional development whether formal or informal.

Independent advice

All Directors are able to take independent professional advice in the furtherance of their duties, if necessary, at the Company's expense. In addition, the Directors have direct access to the advice and services of the Company Secretary, Chief Financial Officer, and the Company's Nominated Adviser, lawyers and auditors.

Re-election of Directors

The Board notes a recommendation that all directors stand for re-election at each Annual General Meeting. The Board has considered this recommendation but has determined that, at this stage of the Company's development, it will continue to follow the rotation provisions set out in its Articles of Association, under which executive directors are not subject to annual re-election. Accordingly, only one Non-Executive Director, will stand for re-election at the forthcoming AGM. The Board will keep this position under review.

Principle 7: Maintain appropriate governance structures and ensure that individually and collectively the directors have the necessary up-to-date experience, skills and capabilities

Given the size of the Company and the small but critical nature of the roles of the Directors, formal board performance measures have not been independently developed. The Company relies upon the market and shareholder feedback to assess the Board's performance.

The Board acknowledges that, given its small size, the temporary or permanent departure of any director would place material additional demands on the remaining directors. In the event of unplanned absence, the Board has discussed and agreed informal cover arrangements to ensure continuity of decision-making and regulatory compliance.

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Principle 8: Evaluate board performance based on clear and relevant objectives, seeking continuous improvement

The Directors recognise that their decisions regarding strategy and risk will impact the corporate culture of the Company as a whole and that this will impact the performance of the Company. The Board seeks to embody and promote a corporate culture that is based on sound ethical values as it believes the tone and culture set by the Board impacts all aspects of the Company, including the way that employees and other stakeholders behave.

The Company has adopted a code for Directors' and employees' dealings in securities which is appropriate for a company whose securities are traded on AIM and is in accordance with the requirements of the Market Abuse Regulation which came into effect in 2016. The Code sets out the circumstances and procedures by which shares can be bought and sold and is supplied to all persons discharging managerial duties.

The formation of the Safety Committee and the way options are allocated to Directors and key management/consultants has created a team environment in which the running of the Company is aligned with medium to longer term shareholder goals.

The Board monitors the Company's culture through regular reporting from operational management, review of safety and wellbeing metrics, and direct engagement with personnel across the Company's sites in Cornwall, New Mexico and Australia. The Board is satisfied that the Company's workforce is treated in a manner consistent with its values of integrity, safety, and responsible stewardship of natural resources.

These measures enable the Company to determine that ethical values and behaviours are recognised and respected.

Principle 9: Establish a remuneration policy which is supportive of long-term value creation and the company's purpose, strategy and culture

As a resource development company, the Board considers that the crucial governance structures and processes revolve around Safety, Audit and Remuneration.

Safety Committee

Safety is a critical matter, particularly given the capacity for harm to employees and consultants. The purpose of the Safety Committee is to ensure that our vision, to provide a safe workplace where no harm comes to anyone, is applied at all of the Company's locations and that a culture of safety pervades throughout the organisation.

The Company believes that all reasonable efforts should be undertaken to ensure incidents are prevented, management have ultimate accountability for health and safety but everyone on site has a responsibility to ensure no one comes to harm and employees have the responsibility to stop any job or activity they believe is unsafe and could cause harm to people.

The Safety Committee attempts to monitor, and report to the full Board, on the achievement of the Company in devoting the necessary resources needed to create a working environment, both physically and supervisorial, in which our people and others under our influence and control can work without sustaining injury or suffering ill health; ensuring no business target takes priority over health and safety; using risk assessments to identify hazards and unsafe behaviours and introduce actions to reduce the risk to acceptable levels; investigating and reporting all accidents and dangerous occurrences and preventing future incidents; setting safety targets with the aim of preventing incidents and accidents and communicate the performance to all employees; ensuring all employees are competent to carry out the tasks assigned to them by providing the relevant information, instruction, training and supervision required; encouraging everyone to contribute to working safely and preventing accidents; designing, constructing, operating and maintaining all equipment, buildings and structures to ensure a safe operation; and comply with all current legislation and codes of practice.

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CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT *(continued)*

Audit Committee

The purpose of the Audit Committee is to provide formal and transparent arrangements for considering how to apply the financial reporting and internal control principles set out in the QCA Code and to maintain an appropriate relationship with the Company's auditors. The key terms are as follows:

- to monitor the integrity of the financial statements of the Company and Group, and any formal announcement relating to the Company's performance;
- to monitor the effectiveness of the external audit process and make recommendations to the Board in relation to the appointment, re-appointment and remuneration of the external auditors;
- to keep under review the relationship with the external auditors including (but not limited to) their independence and objectivity;
- to keep under review the effectiveness of the Company's financial reporting and internal control policies and systems;
- to review key judgements and estimates relating to the impairment assessment of project assets – LCCM, CRL; and
- to assess the ability of the Company and Group to continue as a going concern.

Further details of Board committees are given under Principle 4 above.

Remuneration Committee

The Committee has adopted a remuneration policy designed to attract, retain and motivate directors and senior management of the calibre required to deliver the Company's strategy, while aligning their interests with those of shareholders and avoiding remuneration structures that incentivise excessive risk-taking. The Remuneration Committee reviews the remuneration policy annually and makes recommendations to the full board.

The Board is aware of the recommendation for an advisory vote on the Directors' remuneration report at the Annual General Meeting but has determined not to adopt it at this time. The Company has not historically provided for such a vote and, given the current size and stage of development of the Company, does not consider it proportionate to do so. The Board will keep this position under review.

Securities Trading

The Company has adopted a share dealing code for dealings in shares by Directors and senior employees which is compliant with the Market Abuse Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 ("MAR") and appropriate for an AIM company. The Directors will comply with MAR and AIM Rule 21 relating to dealings and will take all reasonable steps to ensure compliance by persons discharging managerial responsibility ("PDMR") and persons closely associated with them.

Suitability of governance structures

The Board intends that the Company's governance structures evolve over time in parallel with its objectives, strategy and business model to reflect the development of the Company.

Principle 10: Communicate how the company is governed and is performing by maintaining a dialogue with shareholders and other key stakeholders

The Directors believe a healthy dialogue exists between the Board, the Company's shareholders and other stakeholders. The Board regularly has reports on shareholder feedback through summary of social media comments, and undertakes site visits, shareholder webinars and customer visits throughout the year.

In addition, all shareholders are encouraged to attend the Company's Annual General Meeting. The outcomes of all shareholder votes are disclosed in a clear and transparent manner via a regulatory information service, such as RNS of the London Stock Exchange.

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The Company's website includes historical annual reports, notices of general meetings and RNS announcements over the last five years. The Company lists contact details on its website and on all announcements released via RNS, should shareholders wish to communicate with the Board.

The Company will include, when relevant, in its annual report, any matters of note arising from the Audit or Remuneration Committees.

The key governance developments during the year ended 31 December 2025 include the appointment of Philip Haydn-Slater as Independent Non-Executive Director in January 2025, the transition of Charles Manners to Executive Chairman in August 2025 and the Company's adoption of the 2023 QCA Code. The Board is cognisant of growing investor expectations around sustainability reporting and intends to develop its disclosures progressively. A Sustainability Report will soon be published at which point the Board will be in a position to provide more structured reporting on climate-related risks, energy use and environmental impact.

EXTERNAL AUDITOR

During the year the Board met with the auditor to discuss the audit process and the matters the auditor identified during the audit. The Board will continue to meet with the auditor at least twice a year to consider the results, internal procedures and controls and matters raised by the auditor. The Board considers auditor independence and objectivity and the effectiveness of the audit process. It also considers the nature and extent of the non-audit services supplied by the auditor reviewing the ratio of audit to non-audit fees and ensures that an appropriate relationship is maintained between the Group and its external auditor. The current auditor has not supplied any non-audit services.

The Group controls the provision of non-audit services by the external auditor in order that their objectivity and independence are safeguarded and approved of the non-audit services provided by the external auditors. As part of the decision to recommend the appointment of the external auditor, the Board considers the tenure of the auditor in addition to the results of its review of the effectiveness of the external auditor and considers whether there should be a full tender process.

There are no contractual obligations restricting the Board's choice of external auditor. Moore Kingston Smith LLP were appointed as auditors of the Company for the financial year. A resolution to reappoint Moore Kingston Smith LLP will be put to the shareholders at the next Annual General Meeting.

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AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

This report addresses the responsibilities, the membership, and the activities of the Audit Committee in 2025 and up to the approval of the 2025 Annual Report and 2025 year-end financial statements.

Responsibilities

The main responsibilities of the Audit Committee are to:

- monitor the integrity of the financial statements of the Company and Group, and any formal announcement relating to the Company's performance;
- monitor the effectiveness of the external audit process and make recommendations to the Board in relation to the appointment, re-appointment and remuneration of the external auditors;
- keep under review the relationship with the external auditors including (but not limited to) their independence and objectivity;
- keep under review the effectiveness of the Company's financial reporting and internal control policies and systems;
- review key judgements and estimates relating to the impairment assessment of project assets – LCCM, CRL; and
- assess the ability of the Company and Group to continue as a going concern.

Membership

Members of the Audit Committee:

- Charles Manners (Chairman)
- Mark Burnett

Activities in 2025

With regard to the 2025 year-end audit, the Audit Committee has reviewed the following key audit matters:

1. Going Concern

The Directors have considered the Company's and Group's ability to continue as a going concern through review of cash flow forecasts prepared by management for a period of 12 months from the date of signing this report and a review of the key assumptions on which these are based and sensitivity analysis.

In January and March 2026, the Company raised £8.7m (approx. \$12.0m) principally to advance the Redmoor Project through a Pre-Feasibility Study. As a result, the Group is fully funded for all planned activities for a period in excess of 12 months from the date of signing this report, and therefore the Directors do not consider there to be any going concern issues. Consequently, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

2. Impairment Assessments

The Committee has reviewed the judgements surrounding the impairment assessments required under IAS36 for LCCM and IFRS6 for Central Australian Rare Earths Pty Ltd ("CARE") and CRL.

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| CARE: | The Group reduced the carrying amount of the asset to nil in 2019 recognising an impairment loss. During 2021 all tenements were relinquished to the Western Australian government. |
| CRL: | The Redmoor Project is an early-stage exploration project. The Audit Committee is satisfied that results from exploration activity provide sufficient evidence of the continued prospectivity of the asset. Accordingly, no impairment indicators have been identified. |

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AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT *(continued)*

- LCCM: The Board continue to progress a sale of the LCCM project, and in December 2025 the proposed purchaser, Cuprum Metals Pty Ltd, exercised its call option on the project. Both parties continue to work towards a completion of this sale by 31 May 2026, however the Directors note that there can be no guarantee that the sale will be concluded. As the lack of definitive sale agreement is a significant indicator of the ongoing impairment for the LCCM project, the Group has continued to maintain the carrying amount of the asset at nil and has expensed any expenditure on the project during the year, amounting to \$189k.
- COBRE: The Property Plant and Equipment and Right to Use Assets have been assessed for impairment. These assets are being depreciated/amortised in accordance with their estimated useful life or lease term. No impairment indicators have been identified.

Conclusion

In 2026 and beyond, the Audit Committee will continue to adopt the new reporting and regulatory requirements and ensure that the system of internal controls is both maintained and regularly reviewed for improvement. The Audit Committee will also continue to review group assets for triggers that may indicate impairment and closely monitor the financial risks faced by the business and progress made towards mitigating these.

For and on behalf of the Audit Committee



Charles Manners
Chair of Audit Committee

19 May 2026

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REMUNERATION COMMITTEE REPORT

This remuneration report has been prepared by the Remuneration Committee and approved by the Board. The report for 2025 sets out the details of remuneration for the Directors and discloses the amounts paid during the year.

Membership

Members of the of the Remuneration Committee are Philip Haydn-Slater (Chair) and Charles Manners. Other Directors are invited to attend as appropriate provided they do not have a conflict of interest. The aim of the Remuneration Committee is to attract, retain and motivate the executive management of the Company and to offer the opportunity for employees to participate in share option schemes to incentivize employees to enhance shareholder value.

Director Remuneration (audited)

Remuneration for Directors who held office during the year is as follows:

2025	Directors' Salary and fees 2025 \$'000	Consultancy fees 2025 \$'000	Total 2025 \$'000
C Manners	49	-	49
M Burnett	49	-	49
P Haydn-Slater	54	-	54
J Peters	-	54	54
P Wale	68	-	68
Total	<u>220</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>274</u>

2024	Directors' Salary and fees 2024 \$'000	Consultancy fees 2024 \$'000	Total 2024 \$'000
C Manners	10	-	10
M Burnett	10	-	10
A Broome	6	30	36
J Peters	11	44	55
P Wale*	41	-	41
Total	<u>78</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>152</u>

Details of other Director-related party transactions are detailed at Note 25.

J Peters resigned on 15 November 2024. Payments made in 2025 relate to termination benefits.

P Wale resigned on 24 March 2025. Payments include salary to that date and termination benefits.

It should be noted that the Directors of the Company, since becoming Directors, have not sold any shares as at the date of this report.

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REMUNERATION COMMITTEE REPORT *(continued)*

During the year the following share options were issued to Directors:

Director		Number of shares under Option	Exercise price per Option share	Option expiry
M Burnett	Executive Director	70,000,000	0.4 pence	15 August 2035
C Manners	Chairman	50,000,000	0.4 pence	15 August 2035

Each option may only be exercised under the following conditions:

Proportion of Option Shares	Date on which Option Shares become exercisable
50%	Upon share price trading above 0.5p per share for 30-day VWAP
50%	Upon publication of a new Mineral Resource Estimate

Director Remuneration Policy

Going forward into 2026 and beyond, the Committee and I will remain focused on ensuring that reward at the Company continues to be closely aligned with the delivery of long-term shareholder value.

For and on behalf of the Remuneration Committee



Philip Haydn-Slater
Chair of Remuneration Committee

19 May 2026

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF STRATEGIC MINERALS PLC

Opinion

We have audited the Group financial statements of Strategic Minerals Plc (the 'parent company') and its subsidiaries (the 'Group') for the year ended 31 December 2025 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Consolidated and Company Statements of Financial Position, the Consolidated and Company Statements of Cash Flows, the Consolidated and Company Statements of Changes in Equity 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 UK adopted International Accounting Standards.

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 2025 and of the Group's loss for the year then ended;
- the Group financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with UK adopted International Accounting Standards;
- the Parent Company financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with UK adopted International Accounting Standards and as applied in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006; and
- the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

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 Group and the Parent 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 as applied to listed entities, 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.

An overview of the scope of our audit

Our audit approach was a risk-based approach founded on a thorough understanding of the Group's business, its environment and risk profile. We conducted substantive audit procedures and evaluated the Group's internal control environment. We also addressed the risk of management override of internal controls, including assessing whether there was evidence of bias by the directors that may have represented a risk of material misstatement. The components of the Group were evaluated by the group audit engagement team based on a measure of materiality, considering each component as a percentage of the group's total assets, current assets, revenue and gross profit. Any significant risks at component level which impacted the group financial statements were also considered. This allowed the group audit engagement team to determine which components should be subject to a full scope audit approach or a specified audit procedures approach. This was determined based on their relative materiality to the group and our assessment of the level of audit risk.

For components requiring a full scope audit approach, we evaluated controls by performing walkthroughs over the financial reporting systems identified as part of our risk assessment, reviewed the accounts production process and addressed critical accounting matters. We then undertook substantive testing on significant transactions and material account balances.

In order to address the audit risks in respect of the Group and Company financial statements identified during our planning procedures, we performed a full scope audit of the financial statements of the parent company. For the purpose of expressing our opinion on the Group financial statements, we also performed a full scope audit of the financial information of Southern Minerals Group LLC, Cornwall Resources Limited and Leigh Creek Copper Mine Pty Ltd. We performed analytical procedures on the remaining components, which were individually immaterial but collectively covered residual group risk. All work was carried out by the group audit engagement team.

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

Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the Group financial statements of the current period and include the most significant assessed risks of material misstatement (whether or not due to fraud) we identified, including those which had the greatest effect on: the overall audit strategy, the allocation of resources in the audit; and directing the efforts of the engagement team.

Audit Matter	Procedures
Valuation of Exploration and Evaluation assets (Group) Refer to page 49 (Accounting policy) and pages 68 and 69 (note 9 Intangible assets). As at 31 December 2025 the Group held exploration and evaluation assets with a carrying value of \$7.572m (2024: \$5.901m). Management has performed an impairment review of exploration and evaluation assets and concluded that no further impairment is required. The assessment of the recoverable amount of the exploration and evaluation assets required significant judgements and estimates to be made by management. The carrying value of the Group's exploration and evaluation assets was therefore considered to be a key audit matter.	Our audit work included, but was not restricted to, the following procedures: • We critically assessed management's summary of the IFRS 6 project assets including the projected expenditure for each tenement. • We confirmed that the Group has valid title to the applicable exploration licences and has fulfilled any specific conditions therein particularly having regard to minimum expenditure requirements. • We critically assessed and substantively tested capitalised exploration and evaluation expenditure including consideration of its appropriateness for capitalisation under IFRS 6. • We critically assessed the progress of the Redmoor project during the year and post year-end. • We considered management's impairment reviews in the light of any impairment indicators identified in accordance with IFRS 6, including corroboration and challenge thereof. • We reviewed the appropriateness and adequacy of the disclosures in the financial statements. Based on our procedures performed we are satisfied that there was no impairment of exploration and evaluation assets in the year. We consider the disclosures in the financial statements relating to this area to be adequate.

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Valuation of investments and recoverability of loans made to subsidiary undertakings (Parent Company) Refer to pages 49 and 50 (Accounting policy) and pages 70 and 71 (note 10 Investments). At 31 December 2025 the value of investments and loans to subsidiary undertakings in the company financial statements was \$4.350m (2024: \$4.523m) and \$2.819m (2024: \$1.431m) respectively. Management has assessed the carrying value of investments and recoverability of loans made to subsidiary undertakings including the application of the expected credit loss ('ECL') model under IFRS 9. In making this assessment, management makes several significant judgements. These include determining appropriate assumptions for calculating the loss allowance under IFRS 9 (including probability of default and loss given default) and cash flow forecasts. As a result, errors or deliberate manipulation of these determining factors could result in material misstatement of the parent company financial statements. Consequently, it was considered to be a key audit matter.	Our audit work included, but was not restricted to, the following procedures: • We gained an understanding of the interactions between Strategic Minerals Plc and its subsidiaries particularly in respect of their performance throughout the year. • We assessed how settlement can be achieved, first by comparing the cumulative carrying value of the investments and loans made to subsidiary undertakings to their respective net assets and by assessing each subsidiary's cash flow forecasts. • We critically assessed management's assessment that loans due from group undertakings should be accounted for in accordance with IFRS 9 and are not within the scope of IAS 27. • We critically assessed the recoverability of loans due from group undertakings in respect of expected credit losses (ECL) in accordance with IFRS 9. • We critically assessed the reasonableness of management's allocation of loans to the various stages under IFRS 9 including an assessment of management's definition of significant increase in credit risk and of default. • We critically assessed the accounting policy and detailed disclosures in the financial statements to determine whether information provided in the financial statements is compliant with the requirements of IFRS 9. • We reviewed the appropriateness and adequacy of the disclosures in the financial statements. Based on our audit work performed we have not identified any material misstatement in the valuation of investments and loans to subsidiary undertakings. We consider the disclosures in the financial statements relating to this area to be adequate.
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Going concern Refer to note 1 on page 47 in the consolidated financial statements. The Group incurred a post tax loss of \$0.148m for the year (including discontinued operations) (2024: \$1.305m profit) and has net current liabilities of \$0.544m (2024: \$1.061m) disclosed in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at 31 December 2025. The directors have prepared a cashflow forecast that show that the Company and Group will be able to meet their ongoing liabilities as they fall due for at least twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements.	Our audit work included, but was not restricted to, the procedures detailed in the 'Conclusions relating to going concern' section in our report: Based on our audit work performed we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that individually or collectively may cast significant doubt on the Company's and Group'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. We consider the disclosures in the financial statements relating to this area to be adequate.
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Our application of materiality

The scope and focus of our audit were influenced by our assessment and application of materiality. We define materiality as the magnitude of misstatement that could reasonably be expected to influence the readers and the economic decisions of the users of the financial statements. We use materiality to determine the scope of our audit and the nature, timing, and extent of our audit procedures and to evaluate the effect of misstatements, both individually and on the financial statements as a whole. We apply the concept of materiality both in planning and performing our audit, and in evaluating the effect of misstatements.

Based on our professional judgement we determined materiality for the financial statements as a whole and performance materiality as follows:

	Group financial statements
Materiality	\$98,000
Basis for determining materiality	Gross assets
Rationale for the benchmark applied	The group is an asset-based operation. Consequently, gross assets was considered likely to be the metric on which the users of the financial statements will place most focus.
Performance materiality	\$49,000
Basis for determining performance materiality	50% of overall materiality.

	Parent company financial statements
Materiality	\$71,500
Basis for determining materiality	Gross assets
Rationale for the benchmark applied	The parent company holds investments in and loans to subsidiary undertakings. Consequently, gross assets was considered likely to be the metric on which the users of the financial statements will place most focus.
Performance materiality	\$35,750
Basis for determining performance materiality	50% of overall materiality.

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Performance materiality:

We calculated performance materiality at a level lower than materiality to reduce the probability that, in aggregate, uncorrected and undetected misstatements exceed the materiality level for the Group consolidated financial statements as a whole. We determined Group and Parent Company performance materiality to be \$49,000 and \$35,750 respectively, which was set at 50% of overall materiality and reflects the Parent's and Group's listed status.

Component materiality:

We set materiality for each component of the Group based on a percentage of Group materiality dependent on the size and our assessment of risk of material misstatements of that component. Component materiality, other than the Parent Company's, ranged from \$940 to \$68,600. In the audit of each component, we further applied performance materiality levels of 50% of the component materiality to our testing to ensure that the risk of errors exceeding component materiality was appropriately mitigated.

Trivial:

We agreed with the Audit Committee that we would report to them all individual audit differences in excess of \$4,900 and \$3,575 for the Group and Parent Company respectively. We also agreed to report differences below this threshold that, in our view, warranted reporting on qualitative grounds. We also reported to the Audit Committee on disclosure matters that we identified when assessing the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate. Our evaluation of the directors' assessment of the Group and Parent Company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting included:

- Critically assessing the going concern assessment prepared by management covering at least twelve months from the date of approval of the financial statements and challenging the client as regards the key assumptions and forecasts used in their assessment;
- Performing sensitivity analysis on the forecasts to ensure there is sufficient cash flow headroom for the Company and Group to continue as a going concern for at least that period;
- Agreeing the post year end equity issues in January and March 2026 to supporting documentation;
- Critically assessing the Redmoor project exploration commitments and critically assessing the Company's and Group's ability to meet those commitments and meet the UK Shared Prosperity Fund grant funding requirements;
- Assessing the likelihood of the sale of the Leigh Creek Copper Mine Pty Ltd project and the associated sale proceeds;
- Reviewing the trading performance of the Company and Group post year end and comparing it to the forecast to assess their accuracy; and
- Assessing the adequacy of the going concern disclosures in the financial statements.

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 Group and Parent Company'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.

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

Emphasis of Matter

We draw attention to Note 2 on pages 55 and 56 to the financial statements which describes the uncertainty related to the post year end disposal of Leigh Creek Copper Mine Pty Ltd. Management have considered the scenario whereby ultimately the purchaser does not elect to acquire 100% of Leigh Creek Copper Mine Pty Ltd.

The Group has accrued for an environmental bond, as detailed in Note 22 due to the Department of Energy and Mining, South Australian Government, of \$1.160m (2024: \$1.082m) at 31 December 2025. If the purchaser elects not to acquire 100% of Leigh Creek Copper Mine Pty Ltd the environmental bond will remain payable by the Group, likely within twelve months from the date of signing these financial statements.

Management's cash flow forecast for the period to 31 December 2027 does not include the payment of the environmental bond. If the environmental bond is not paid then potentially the mineral lease, which was due for renewal in October 2025, may be cancelled by the Department of Energy and Mining. Due to the unpredictable outcome of whether the purchaser will elect to acquire 100% of Leigh Creek Copper Mine Pty Ltd the impact on the Group and the Company cannot be predicted with any certainty. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

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

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the 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 there is 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.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the part of the directors' remuneration report to be audited has been properly prepared in accordance with 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:

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- 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 and the part of the directors' remuneration report to be audited 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 18, 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.

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.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the FRC's website at

<https://www.frc.org.uk/auditors/auditor-assurance/auditor-s-responsibilities-for-the-audit-of-the-fi/description-of-the-auditor-s-responsibilities-for>

This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Explanation as to what extent 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. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below.

The objectives of our audit in respect of fraud, are; to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud; to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud, through designing and implementing appropriate responses to those assessed risks; and to respond appropriately to instances of fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both management and those charged with governance of the company.

Our approach was as follows:

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory requirements applicable to the Group and Parent Company and considered that the most significant are the Companies Act 2006, UK adopted International Accounting Standards, the AIM rules and UK taxation legislation.
- We obtained an understanding of how the Group and Parent Company complies with these requirements by discussions with management and those charged with governance.
- We assessed the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements, including the risk of material misstatement due to fraud and how it might occur, by holding discussions with management and those charged with governance.

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- We inquired of management and those charged with governance as to any known instances of non-compliance or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Based on this understanding, we designed specific appropriate audit procedures to identify instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. This included making enquiries of management and those charged with governance and obtaining additional corroborative evidence as required.
- We evaluated managements' incentives to fraudulently manipulate the financial statements and determined that the principal risks related to management bias in accounting estimates and judgemental areas of the financial statements. We challenged the assumptions and judgements made by management in respect of the significant areas of estimation, as described in the key audit matters section. Further audit procedures performed to address the risk of fraud included but were not limited to the testing of journals and evaluating the business rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above. We are less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that are not closely related to events and transactions reflected in the financial statements. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

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 which we are required to include in an auditor's report addressed to them. 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.



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19 May 2026

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

	Note	Year to 31 December 2025 \$'000	Year to 31 December 2024 \$'000
Revenue	4	4,231	4,745
Raw materials and consumables used		(618)	(846)
Gross profit		3,613	3,899
Overhead expenses	5	(2,298)	(1,726)
Other expenses	5	(612)	(45)
Profit from operations		703	2,128
Lease interest	5	(47)	(19)
Profit before taxation		656	2,109
Income tax charge	7	(615)	(691)
(Loss)/profit for the year from continuing operations		41	1,418
Loss for the year from discontinued operations	26	(189)	(113)
(Loss)/profit for the period attributable to the owners of the parent		(148)	1,305
Other comprehensive income			
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Exchange gain arising on translation of foreign operations		363	(71)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to the owners of the parent		215	1,234
Profit /(loss) per share attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the parent:			
Basic and diluted (loss)/profit per share from total operations (cents)	8	(0.007)	0.065
Basic and diluted (loss)/profit per share from continuing operations (cents)	8	(0.002)	0.070
Basic and diluted (loss)/profit per share from discontinued operations (cents)	8	(0.008)	(0.006)

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

		31 December 2025	31 December 2024
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000
Assets			
Non-current assets			
Other intangible assets	9	-	-
Exploration and evaluation assets	9	7,572	5,901
Property, plant, and equipment	11	101	60
Right of use assets	18	810	1,053
		<u>8,483</u>	<u>7,014</u>
Current assets			
Inventories	12	4	4
Trade and other receivables	13	384	295
Assets held for sale	22	134	127
Prepayments	13	78	36
Cash and cash equivalents	14	777	621
		<u>1,377</u>	<u>1,063</u>
Total Assets		<u>9,860</u>	<u>8,097</u>
Equity and liabilities			
Share capital	19	3,388	2,916
Share premium	19	50,283	49,387
Merger reserve		21,300	21,300
Foreign exchange reserve		(853)	(1,216)
Option reserve		560	-
Warrant reserve	19	-	5
Other reserves		(23,023)	(23,023)
Retained earnings		(44,551)	(44,403)
Total Equity		<u>7,104</u>	<u>4,966</u>
Liabilities			
Non-current Liabilities			
Provisions	16	208	270
Lease liabilities	18	627	737
		<u>835</u>	<u>1,007</u>
Current liabilities			
Liabilities held for sale	22	1,169	1,098
Income tax payable		124	415
Trade and other payables	15	394	242
Loan and borrowings	21	-	-
Lease liabilities	18	234	369
		<u>1,921</u>	<u>2,124</u>
Total Liabilities		<u>2,756</u>	<u>3,131</u>
Total Equity and Liabilities		<u>9,860</u>	<u>8,097</u>

These financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 19 May 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:



Mark Burnett
Executive Director

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

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**COMPANY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025**

	Notes	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
Assets			
Non-current assets			
Investments in subsidiary undertakings	10	4,350	4,523
Loans due from subsidiary undertakings	10	2,819	1,431
		7,169	5,954
Current assets			
Trade and other receivables	13	21	10
Cash and cash equivalents	14	8	14
		29	24
Total Assets		7,198	5,978
Equity and liabilities			
Share capital	19	3,388	2,916
Share premium	19	50,283	49,387
Merger reserve		21,300	21,300
Foreign exchange reserve		(1,522)	(1,397)
Option reserve		560	-
Warrant reserve	19	-	5
Retained earnings		(71,103)	(70,020)
Total Equity		2,906	2,191
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	15	147	110
Loans due to subsidiary undertakings	15	4,145	3,677
Total Liabilities		4,292	3,787
Total Equity and Liabilities		7,198	5,978

As permitted by Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006, the statement of comprehensive income of the parent Company is not presented as part of these financial statements. The parent Company made a loss for the year of \$1,083,000 (2024: \$673,000).

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

	Notes	Year to 31 December 2025 \$'000	Year to 31 December 2024 \$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
(Loss)/profit		(148)	1,305
<i>Adjustments for:</i>			
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	11	22	18
Amortisation of right of use asset	18	381	334
Loss from discontinued operations	26	189	113
Income tax expense	7	615	691
Lease interest		47	19
Foreign exchange gain		9	-
Share based payment expense	20	549	-
Increase in trade and other receivables	13	(89)	(76)
Increase in prepayments	13	(42)	(36)
Increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	15	152	(721)
Income tax paid		(968)	(223)
Net cash generated from operating activities		<u>717</u>	<u>1,424</u>
Investing activities			
Net cash used in discontinued operations	26	(189)	(113)
Purchase of exploration and evaluation assets	9	(1,289)	(418)
Purchase of plant and equipment	11	(61)	-
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>(1,539)</u>	<u>(531)</u>
Financing activities			
Proceeds from borrowings	21	-	62
Repayment of borrowings	21	-	(104)
Net share placing proceeds	19	1,374	-
Lease payments	18	(426)	(343)
Net cash generated from/(used in) financing activities		<u>948</u>	<u>(385)</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		<u>126</u>	<u>508</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		621	112
Effects of exchange rate changes on the balance of cash held in foreign currencies		30	1
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	14	<u><u>777</u></u>	<u><u>621</u></u>

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**COMPANY STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

	Notes	Year to 31 December 2025 \$'000	Year to 31 December 2024 \$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Loss		(1,083)	(673)
<i>Adjustments for:</i>			
Foreign exchange on investment in subsidiary undertakings	10	-	(112)
Foreign exchange on loans to subsidiary undertakings	10	-	56
Other foreign exchange movements		22	-
Impairment of loans to subsidiary undertakings	10	-	128
Increase in loans due to subsidiary undertakings	15	372	1,447
Foreign exchange on loans due to subsidiary undertakings	15	-	(60)
Increase in loans due from subsidiary undertakings	10	(1,259)	(549)
Increase in trade and other receivables	13	(10)	(3)
Increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	15	28	(227)
Share based payment expense		549	-
Net cash (used in)/generated from operating activities		(1,381)	7
Financing activities			
Net share placing proceeds	19	1,374	-
Net cash generated from financing activities		1,374	-
(Decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(7)	7
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		14	7
Effects of exchange rate changes on the balance of cash held in foreign currencies		1	-
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	14	8	14

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

	Share capital \$'000	Share premium reserve \$'000	Merger reserve \$'000	Warrant/ Option reserve \$'000	Initial Restructure reserve \$'000	Foreign exchange reserve \$'000	Retained earnings \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Balance at 31 December 2023	2,916	49,387	21,300	5	(23,023)	(1,145)	(45,708)	3,732
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,305	1,305
Foreign exchange translation	-	-	-	-	-	(71)	-	(71)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	-	-	-	-	-	(71)	1,305	1,234
Balance at 31 December 2024	2,916	49,387	21,300	5	(23,023)	(1,216)	(44,403)	4,966
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	(148)	(148)
Foreign exchange translation	-	-	-	-	-	363	-	363
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	-	363	(148)	215
Issue of share capital	472	891	-	-	-	-	-	1,363
Exercise of warrants	-	5	-	(5)	-	-	-	-
Issue of options	-	-	-	560	-	-	-	560
Balance at 31 December 2025	3,388	50,283	21,300	560	(23,023)	(853)	(44,551)	7,104

All comprehensive income is attributable to the owners of the parent Company.

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

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**COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

	Share capital \$'000	Share Premium reserve \$'000	Merger reserve \$'000	Warrant/ Option reserve \$'000	Foreign exchange reserve \$'000	Retained earnings \$'000	Total Equity \$'000
Balance at 31 December 2023	2,916	49,387	21,300	5	(1,337)	(69,347)	2,924
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	-	(673)	(673)
Foreign exchange translation	-	-	-	-	(60)	-	(60)
Total comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	-	-	(60)	(673)	(733)
Balance at 31 December 2024	2,916	49,387	21,300	5	(1,397)	(70,020)	2,191
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	-	(1,083)	(1,083)
Foreign exchange translation	-	-	-	-	(125)	-	(125)
Total comprehensive profit for the year	-	-	-	-	(125)	(1,083)	(1,208)
Issue of share capital	472	891	-	-	-	-	1,363
Exercise of warrants	-	5	-	(5)	-	-	-
Issue of options	-	-	-	560	-	-	560
Balance at 31 December 2025	3,388	50,283	21,300	560	(1,522)	(71,103)	2,906

All comprehensive income is attributable to the owners of the parent Company.

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COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025 *(continued)*

Share capital is the amount subscribed for shares at nominal value.

Share premium represents the excess of the amount subscribed for share capital over the nominal value of these shares net of share issue expenses.

Merger reserve arises from the 100% acquisition of Ebony Iron Pty Limited in September 2011 and LCCM In April 2018 whereby the excess of the fair value of the issued ordinary share capital issued over the nominal value of these shares is transferred to this reserve, in accordance with section 612 of the Companies Act 2006.

Share option reserve relates to increases in equity for services received in equity-settled share-based payment transactions and on the grant of share options.

Warrants reserve represents the value of warrants issued. Warrants reserve is non-distributable and will be transferred to share premium account upon the exercise of warrants. The balance of warrants reserve in relation to the unexercised warrants at the expiry of the warrants period will be transferred to retained earnings.

Initial restructure reserve consists of an adjustment arising from the Group reorganisation in 2011 being the formation of a new holding Company for Iron Glen Holdings Limited by way of a share for share issue and is the difference between consideration given and net assets of the Company at the date of acquisition.

The foreign exchange reserve occurs on consolidation of the translation of the subsidiaries balance sheets at the closing rate of exchange and their income statements at the average rate.

The company foreign exchange reserve recognises the exchange differences arising on translating the closing net assets of the Company at the closing rate at the balance sheet date, and the results of Company's operations at average exchange rate for the year.

Retained earnings represent the cumulative loss of the Group attributable to equity shareholders.

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NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

1. Significant accounting policies

Basis of preparation

In preparing these financial statements the presentational currency is US dollars. As the Group's revenues and majority of its costs, assets and liabilities are denominated in US dollars it is considered appropriate to report in this currency. The financial statements are rounded to the nearest \$'000.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below. The policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with UK adopted International Accounting Standards in conformity with the requirement of the Companies Act 2006.

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with UK adopted International Accounting Standards requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires Group management to exercise judgment in applying the Group's accounting policies. The areas where significant judgments and estimates have been made in preparing the financial statements and their effect are disclosed in note 2.

The financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for the acquisition of LCCM and the valuation of certain investments which have been measured at fair value.

Going concern basis

The Directors have considered the Company's and Group's ability to continue as a going concern through review of cash flow forecasts prepared by management for a period of at least 12 months from the date of signing this report and a review of the key assumptions on which these are based and sensitivity analysis.

In January and March 2026, the Company raised £8.7m (approx. \$12.0m) principally to advance the Redmoor Project through a Pre Feasibility Study. As a result, the Group is fully funded for all planned activities for a period of at least 12 months from the date of signing this report, and therefore the Directors do not consider there to be any going concern issues. Consequently, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

New standards issued but not yet effective

At the date of approval of these financial statements, the following new or amended standards and interpretations have been issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and endorsed for use in the United Kingdom but were not yet effective for the year ended 31 December 2025. The Group has not early adopted any of these standards.

IFRS Accounting Standard	Effective period beginning on or after
IAS 1 (Amendments) - Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current	1 January 2027
IAS 7 and IFRS 7 (Amendments) - Supplier Finance Arrangements	1 January 2027
IFRS 18 Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements	1 January 2027
IFRS 19 Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures	1 January 2027

It is not expected that the amendments listed above, except for IFRS 18, once adopted, will have a material impact on the financial statements.

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Basis of consolidation

Where the company has control over an investee, it is classified as a subsidiary. The company controls an investee if all three of the following elements are present: power over the investee, exposure to variable returns from the investee, and the ability of the investor to use its power to affect those variable returns. Control is reassessed whenever facts and circumstances indicate that there may be a change in any of these elements of control.

De-facto control exists in situations where the company has the practical ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee without holding the majority of the voting rights. In determining whether de-facto control exists the company considers all relevant facts and circumstances, including:

- The size of the company's voting rights relative to both the size and dispersion of other parties who hold voting rights;
- substantive potential voting rights held by the company and by other parties;
- other contractual arrangements; and
- historic patterns in voting attendance.

The consolidated financial statements present the results of the company and its subsidiaries ("the Group") as if they formed a single entity. Intercompany transactions and balances between group companies are eliminated in full.

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the results of business combinations using the acquisition method. In the statement of financial position, the acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities are initially recognised at their fair values at the acquisition date. The results of acquired operations are included in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income from the date on which control is obtained. They are deconsolidated from the date on which control ceases.

Business combinations

Acquisitions of subsidiaries and businesses are accounted for using the acquisition method under IFRS3 Business Combinations ("IFRS3"). The cost of the business combination is measured as the aggregate of the fair values (at the date of exchange) of assets given, liabilities incurred or assumed, and equity instruments issued by the Group and the Company in exchange for control of the acquiree. The acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities that meet the relevant conditions for recognition are recognised at their fair values at the acquisition date. Goodwill arising on acquisition is recognised as an asset and initially measured at cost, being the excess of the fair value of the consideration paid over the Group's interest in the fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities acquired. If the Group's interest in the fair value of the acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities exceeds the cost of the business combination, the excess is recognised immediately in profit or loss. Transaction costs incurred directly in connection with business combinations are expensed.

Impairment of non-financial assets (excluding inventories)

Other non-financial assets are subject to impairment tests whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that their carrying amount may not be recoverable. Where the carrying value of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount (i.e., the higher of value in use and fair value less costs to sell), the asset is written down accordingly.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the impairment test is carried out on the smallest Group of assets to which it belongs for which there are separately identifiable cash flows: its cash generating units ('CGUs').

Impairment charges are included in the statement of comprehensive income, except to the extent they reverse gains previously recognised in other comprehensive income.

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Externally acquired intangible assets

Externally acquired intangible assets are initially recognised at cost and subsequently amortised over their useful economic lives.

Intangible assets are recognised on business combinations if they are separable from the acquired entity or give rise to other contractual or legal rights. The amounts ascribed to such intangibles are arrived at by using appropriate valuation techniques (see section related to critical estimates and judgements below).

An intangible asset was recognised in the acquisition of Leigh Creek Copper Mine Pty Ltd and represents the fair value of the offtake agreement that was in place at acquisition date (Note 9).

Exploration and evaluation assets

The Group has continued to apply the 'successful efforts' method of accounting for Exploration and Evaluation ("E&E") costs, having regard to the requirements of IFRS 6 'Exploration for the Evaluation of Mineral Resources'.

The successful efforts method means that only the costs which relate directly to the discovery and development of specific mineral reserves are capitalised. Such costs may include costs of licence acquisition, technical services and studies, exploration drilling and testing but do not include costs incurred prior to having obtained the legal rights to explore the area. Under successful efforts accounting, exploration expenditure which is general in nature is charged directly to the statement of comprehensive income and that which relates to unsuccessful exploration operations, though initially capitalised pending determination, is subsequently written off. Only costs which relate directly to the discovery and development of specific commercial mineral reserves will remain capitalised and to be depreciated over the lives of these reserves. Exploration and evaluation costs are capitalised within intangible assets. Costs incurred prior to obtaining legal rights to explore are expensed immediately to the statement of comprehensive income.

All lease and licence acquisition costs, geological and geophysical costs and other direct costs of exploration, evaluation and development are capitalised as intangible assets or property, plant and equipment according to their nature. Intangible assets comprise costs relating to the exploration and evaluation of properties which the Directors consider to be unevaluated until reserves are appraised as commercial, at which time they are transferred to tangible assets as 'Developed mineral assets' following an impairment review and depreciated accordingly. Where properties are appraised to have no commercial value, the associated costs are treated as an impairment loss in the period in which the determination is made. Management considers all tenements relating to each project to represent one asset when undertaking their impairment assessment.

Property, plant, and equipment

Items of property, plant and equipment are initially recognised at cost. As well as the purchase price, cost includes directly attributable costs.

Depreciation is provided on all items of property, plant, and equipment so as to write off their carrying value over their expected useful economic lives. It is provided at the following rates:

- Plant and machinery (except screening equipment) – 5 to 10 years straight line basis
- Screening Equipment – on a unit of production basis
- Mining assets - on a unit of production basis

The carrying value of property, plant and equipment assets is assessed annually and any impairment is recorded in the statement of comprehensive income.

Investments in subsidiaries – company only

Investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost less provision for any impairment in value.

If circumstances indicate that impairment may exist, investments in subsidiary undertakings of the Company are evaluated using market values, where available, or the discounted expected future cash flows of the investment.

If these cash flows are lower than the Company's carrying value of the investment an impairment charge is recorded in the Company.

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Loans to subsidiaries – company only

Loans to subsidiaries are stated at cost less provision for expected credit losses ("ECL's").

The Company recognises an ECL's on intercompany loans, based on management's assessment and understanding of the credit risk attaching to each asset, changes in the level of credit risk between periods and an assessment of the scenarios under which management expect the assets to be repaid.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand and deposits held on call with under 90 days maturity with banks.

Revenue

Revenue from the sale of magnetite is recognised when the Group passes control of the product to the customer, and it is probable the Group will receive the funds. Control is considered to have passed when the goods are passed to the buyer, being the point of leaving the mine gate for domestic sales to the US markets. This is point in time when revenue is recognised.

Where a contract allows the Group to advance bill ahead of delivery, a contract liability in relation to the outstanding performance obligation is only recognised on the date when payment is received. In those cases, the entity recognises revenue only after it transfers the goods to the buyer.

Inventories

Inventories are initially recognised at cost, and subsequently at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost comprises all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition.

Taxation

Income tax

Income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from profit as reported in the same income statement because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible. The Group's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the statement of financial position date.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognised where the carrying amount of an asset or liability in the consolidated statement of financial position differs from its tax base, except for differences arising on:

- the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction which is not a business combination and at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting or taxable profit; and
- investments in subsidiaries where the Group is able to control the timing of the reversal of the difference and it is probable that the difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Recognition of deferred tax assets is restricted to those instances where it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the difference can be utilised. The Group has not recognised any deferred tax assets at the balance date.

When an asset or liability is raised the amount of the asset or liability is determined using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date and are expected to apply when the deferred tax liabilities/(assets) are settled/(recovered).

Fair values

The carrying amounts of the financial assets and liabilities such as cash and cash equivalents, receivables and payables of the Group at the statement of financial position date approximated their fair values, due to the relatively short-term nature of these financial instruments.

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NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025 *(continued)*

Share-based compensation

The fair value of the employee and suppliers' services received in exchange for the grant of options and warrants is recognised as an expense. The total amount to be expensed over the vesting period is determined by reference to the fair value of the options and warrants granted, excluding the impact of any non-market vesting conditions (for example, profitability and sales growth targets). Non-market vesting conditions are included in assumptions about the number of options and warrants that are expected to vest. At each statement of financial position date, the entity revises its estimates of the number of options and warrants that are expected to vest. It recognises the impact of the revision to original estimates, if any, in the statement of comprehensive income, with a corresponding adjustment to equity.

The proceeds received net of any directly attributable transaction costs are credited to share capital (nominal value) and share premium when the options and warrants are exercised.

The fair value of share-based payments recognised in the statement of comprehensive income is measured by use of the Black Scholes model or other appropriate models, which takes into account conditions attached to the vesting and exercise of the equity instruments. The expected life used in the model is adjusted; based on management's best estimate, for the effects of non-transferability, and exercise restrictions. The share price volatility percentage factor used in the calculation is based on management's best estimate of future share price behaviour and is selected based on past experience.

Equity instruments

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares or options are shown in equity as a deduction, net of tax, from proceeds.

The fair value of warrants is credited to warrants reserve. The warrants reserve is non-distributable and will be transferred to share premium account upon the exercise of warrants. The balance of the warrants reserve in relation to unexercised warrants at the expiry of the warrants period will be transferred to accumulated profits.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present obligation as a result of a past event, and it is probable that the Group will be required to settle that obligation. Provisions are measured at the Directors' best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligation at the statement of financial position date and are discounted to present value where the effect is material.

Provisions for decommissioning costs are recognised in accordance with IAS 37 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets. Provisions are recorded at the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the Group's future obligations. Provisions are reviewed at each reporting date to reflect the current best estimate of the cost at present value. Any change in the date on which provisions fall due will change the present value of the provision. Any change in the present value of the estimated future expenditure is reflected and adjusted against the provision and development asset, unless the asset to which the provision relates has been impaired, in which case the reversal of the provision is taken through the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income. The increase in restoration provisions, owing to the passage of time, is charged to the consolidated statement of comprehensive income as a finance expense.

Financial instruments

Non-derivative financial instruments comprise trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents, loans and borrowings, and trade and other payables.

Non-derivative financial instruments are recognised initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transactions costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost.

A financial instrument is recognised when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets are derecognised if the Group's contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial assets expire or if the Group transfers the financial assets to another party without retaining control or substantially all risks and rewards of the asset. Regular purchases and sales of financial assets are accounted for at trade date, i.e., the date that the Group commits itself to purchase or sell the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised if the Group's obligations specified in the contract expire or are discharged or cancelled.

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Financial assets

All financial assets other than an immaterial investment in listed equity shares, which are measured at fair value through profit or loss, are classified as financial assets at amortised cost. The Group determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition.

The Group's financial assets include cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables and other receivables.

The Company's financial assets include cash and cash equivalents and loans receivable due from subsidiaries.

The Company recognises a loss allowance for expected credit losses ("ECL") on intercompany loans which are measured at amortised cost. The amount of expected credit losses is updated at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition of the respective financial instrument.

If the credit risk on a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition, the loss allowance is equal to the lifetime expected credit losses. If the credit risk has not increased significantly, the loss allowance is equal to the twelve month expected credit losses.

The Group applies the IFRS 9 simplified approach to measuring credit losses using a lifetime expected credit loss provision for trade receivables.

Further details of the reviews undertaken during the year are set out in Note 3.

Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities refer to trade payables, other payables and loans and borrowings (including the host borrowing in a convertible instrument) and are initially recognised at fair value net of any transaction costs directly attributable to the issue of the instrument. Such liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

All loans and borrowings which are financial instruments are initially recognised at the present value of cash payable to the lender (including interest). After initial recognition they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. The effective interest rate amortisation is included in finance costs in the income statement.

Where there is a significant modification to a financial liability, the financial original liability is de-recognised, and a new financial liability is recognised at fair value in accordance with the Group's policy.

Convertible loan notes are assessed in accordance with IAS 32 Financial Instruments: Presentation to determine whether the conversion element meets the fixed-for-fixed criterion. Where this is met, the instrument is accounted for as a compound financial instrument with appropriate presentation of the liability and equity components. Where the fixed-for-fixed criterion is not met, the conversion element is accounted for separately as an embedded derivative which is measured at fair value through profit or loss. On issue of a convertible borrowing, the fair value of embedded derivative is determined, and the residual is recorded as a host liability initially at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost. Issue costs are apportioned between the components based on their respective carrying amounts when the instrument was issued. The finance costs recognised in respect of the convertible borrowings includes the accretion of the liability.

Foreign currencies

Transactions entered into by Group entities in a currency other than the currency of the primary economic environment in which they operate (their "functional currency") are recorded at the rates ruling when the transactions occur. The functional currency of the Company is deemed to be GBP. Foreign currency monetary assets and liabilities are translated at the rates ruling at the reporting date. Exchange differences arising on the retranslation of unsettled monetary assets and liabilities are recognised immediately in profit or loss, except for foreign currency borrowings qualifying as a hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation, in which case exchange differences are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the foreign exchange reserve along with the exchange differences arising on the retranslation of the foreign operation.

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On consolidation, the results of overseas operations are translated into US Dollars at rates approximating to those ruling when the transactions took place. All assets and liabilities of overseas operations, including goodwill arising on the acquisition of those operations, are translated at the rate ruling at the reporting date. Exchange differences arising on translating the opening net assets at opening rate and the results of overseas operations at actual rate are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the foreign exchange reserve.

On disposal of a foreign operation, the cumulative exchange differences recognised in the foreign exchange reserve relating to that operation up to the date of disposal are transferred to the consolidated statement of comprehensive income as part of the gain or loss on disposal.

Management of capital

The Group's policy is to ensure that it will always have sufficient cash to allow it to meet its liabilities when they become due. The principal liabilities of the Group arise in respect of the costs of financing working capital as inventory is built up prior to sale.

The Board receives periodic cash flow projections as well as information on cash balances. The Board will not commit to material expenditure prior to being satisfied that sufficient funding is available to the Group to finance the planned programmes.

Research and Development Tax Incentive (RDTI)

The Group's policy is that any RDTI should be recognised as a government grant, in accordance with IAS20 Accounting for Government Grants. This means it will be recognised as part of profit before tax, either as income or as a reduction of the associated costs.

Where the Group capitalises development costs, then the RDTI amounts received that relate to these costs will be offset against the capitalised development costs or deferred exploration expenditure as the case may be.

Leases

All leases are accounted for by recognising a right-of-use asset and a lease liability except for:

- Leases of low-value assets; and
- Leases with a duration of twelve months or less.

Lease liabilities are measured at the present value of the contractual payments due to the lessor over the lease term, with the discount rate determined by reference to the rate inherent in the lease unless (as is typically the case) this is not readily determinable, in which case the Group's incremental borrowing rate on commencement of the lease is used. Variable lease payments are only included in the measurement of the lease liability if they depend on an index or rate. In such cases, the initial measurement of the lease liability assumes the variable element will remain unchanged throughout the lease term. Other variable lease payments are expensed in the period to which they relate.

On initial recognition, the carrying value of the lease liability also includes:

- Amounts expected to be payable under any residual value guarantee;
- The exercise price of any purchase option granted in favour of the Group if it is reasonably certain to assess that option; and
- Any penalties payable for terminating the lease, if the term of the lease has been estimated on the basis of termination option being exercised.

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Right-of-use assets are initially measured at the amount of the lease liability, reduced for any lease incentives received, and increased for:

- Lease payments made at or before commencement of the lease;
- Initial direct costs incurred; and
- The amount of any provision recognised where the Group is contractually required to dismantle, remove, or restore the leased asset.

Subsequent to initial measurement lease liabilities increase as a result of interest charged at a constant rate on the balance outstanding and are reduced for lease payments made. Right-of-use assets are amortised on a straight-line basis over the remaining term of the lease or over the remaining economic life of the asset if, rarely, this is judged to be shorter than the lease term.

When the Group revises its estimate of the term of any lease (because, for example, it re-assesses the probability of a lessee extension or termination option being exercised), it adjusts the carrying amount of the lease liability to reflect the payments to make over the revised term, which are discounted at the same discount rate that applied on lease commencement. The carrying value of lease liabilities is similarly revised when the variable element of future lease payments dependent on a rate or index is revised. In both cases an equivalent adjustment is made to the carrying value of the right-of-use asset, with the revised carrying amount being amortised over the remaining (revised) lease term.

Government Grants

Government grants received on capital expenditure are generally deducted in arriving at the carrying amount of the asset purchased. Grants for revenue expenditure are netted against the cost incurred by the Group. Where retention of a government grant is dependent on the Group satisfying certain criteria, it is initially recognised as deferred income. When the criteria for retention have been satisfied, the deferred income balance is released to the consolidated statement of comprehensive income or netted against the asset purchased.

Assets and liabilities held for Sale

Non-current assets (or disposal groups) are classified as assets and liabilities held for sale when their carrying amount is to be recovered principally through a sale transaction and a sale is considered highly probable. They are stated at the lower of carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell and are presented separately in the income statement as discontinued operations, and the associated assets and liabilities of the disposal group are presented as separate line items in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as Group disposal assets and Group disposal liabilities.

2. Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The Group makes certain estimates and assumptions regarding the future. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. In the future, actual experience may differ from these estimates and assumptions. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

Estimates

(a) Carrying value of intangible assets

Management assesses the carrying value of the exploration and evaluation assets of \$7.572m (2024: \$5.901m) for indicators of impairment based on the requirements of IFRS 6 which are inherently judgemental. This includes ensuring the Group maintains legal title, assessment regarding the commerciality of reserves and the clear intention and financial ability to move the asset forward to development.

- The Redmoor Project is an early-stage exploration projects and therefore management have applied judgement in the period as to whether the results from exploration activity provide sufficient evidence to continue to move the asset forward to development. There are no indicators of impairment for the Redmoor Project in the 31 December 2025 financial year.

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- ii) The intangible asset associated with the offtake agreement for the LCCM project was impaired to nil at 31 December 2023. The asset continues to be impaired to nil at 31 December 2025.

Further detail regarding the carrying value of exploration and evaluation assets can be found in Note 9.

(b) Share based payments

The fair value of share-based payments recognised in the statement of comprehensive income is measured by use of the Black Scholes model after taking into account market-based vesting conditions and conditions attached to the vesting and exercise of the equity instruments. The expected life used in the model is adjusted based on management's best estimate, for the effects of non-transferability, exercise restrictions and behavioural considerations. The share price volatility percentage factor used in the calculation is based on management's best estimate of future share price behaviour based on past experience. Further details are given in Note 20. The charge in the statement of comprehensive income is \$0.549m (2024: \$nil).

(c) Carrying value of amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings.

IFRS 9 requires the parent company to make certain assumptions when implementing the forward-looking expected credit loss model. This model is required to be used to assess the intercompany loan receivables from its subsidiaries for impairment. Arriving at an expected credit loss allowance involved considering different scenarios for the recovery of the intercompany loan receivables, the possible credit losses that could arise and probabilities for these scenarios.

The following were considered: the exploration project risk, the future sales potential of product, value of potential reserves and the resulting expected economic outcomes of the project. Further details are given in Note 10.

(d) Carrying Value of Development Assets

Management assesses the carrying value of Development assets for indicators of impairment based on the requirements of IAS36 which are inherently judgemental.

The following are the key assumptions used in this assessment of carrying value.

- i) Mineable reserves over life of project
- ii) Forecasted Copper pricing
- iii) Capital and operating cost assumptions to deliver the mining schedule
- iv) Foreign exchange rates
- v) Discount rate

If the carrying amount of the Development asset exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired. The Group will reduce the carrying amount of the asset to its recoverable amount and recognise an impairment loss. The assessment is carried out twice per year – end of half year reporting period and end of annual reporting period.

2025 Assessment

Additions to the Development asset recognised in respect of LCCM in 2025 represent ongoing costs associated with maintaining the asset.

The Group has reduced the carrying amount of the asset to nil recognising an impairment loss of \$0.189m at 31 December 2025 (2024: \$0.113m) in profit or loss.

The Board continue to progress a sale of the LCCM project, and in December 2025 the proposed purchaser, Cuprum Metals, exercised its call option on the project, paying a first instalment of A\$150,000. Both parties continue to work towards a completion of this sale by 31 May 2026, at which point the purchaser will pay a second instalment of A\$1,750,000, however the Directors note that there can be no guarantee that the sale will be concluded. As the lack of definitive sale agreement is a significant indicator of the ongoing impairment for the LCCM project, the Group has continued to maintain the carrying amount of the asset at nil and has expensed any expenditure on the project during the year.

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The Group has accrued for an environmental bond, as detailed in Note 22, due to the Department of Energy and Mining, South Australian Government, for \$1.160m at 31 December 2025. If under the Call Option the purchaser elects not to acquire 100% of Leigh Creek Copper Mine Pty Ltd the environmental bond will remain payable by the Group likely within twelve months from the date of signing these financial statements. Management's cash flow forecast for the period to 31 December 2027 does not include the payment of the environmental bond. If the environmental bond is not paid then potentially the mineral lease, may be cancelled by the Department of Energy and Mining. Due to the unpredictable outcome of whether the purchaser will elect to acquire 100% of Leigh Creek Copper Mine Pty Ltd prior to 31 May 2026 the impact on the Group and the Company cannot be predicted with any certainty.

(e) Determination of incremental borrowing rate for leases

Under IFRS 16, where the interest rate implicit in the lease cannot be readily determined the incremental borrowing rate is used. The incremental borrowing rate is defined as the rate of interest that a lessee would have to pay to borrow, over a similar term and with a similar security, the funds necessary to obtain an asset of a similar value to the cost of the right-of-use asset in a similar economic environment.

Refer to Note 18 for details in relation to lease arrangements.

(f) Disposal group (assets for sale)

The Company is in the process of selling LCCM and does not intend to develop the LCCM project itself.

The Directors have assessed that LCCM currently meets the criteria for disclosure under IFRS 5 – Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations.

Consequently, LCCM has been categorised as a disposal group (asset held for sale) in the consolidated financial statements in the prior and current year.

Judgements

(g) Investments in subsidiaries

Investment in subsidiaries of \$7.169m (2024: \$5.954m) comprises the cost of acquiring shares in subsidiaries and loans to subsidiary undertakings.

If an impairment trigger is identified and investments in subsidiaries and loans to subsidiary undertakings are tested for impairment, estimates are used to determine the expected net return on investment. The estimated return on investment takes into account the underlying economic factors in the business of the Company's subsidiaries including estimated recoverable reserves, resources prices, capital investment requirements, and discount rates among other things. Refer to Note 10 for further details in respect of the recoverability of the investment in subsidiaries and loans to subsidiary undertakings.

(h) Contingent consideration as part of asset acquisition

Judgement is required in determining the accounting for the contingent consideration payable in respect of the CRL acquisition. The Group has an obligation to pay A\$1m on net smelter sales arising from CRL production reaching A\$50m and a further A\$1m on net smelter sales arising from CRL production reaching A\$100m.

Whilst a possible obligation exists in relation to the consideration payable, given the early stage of the project it was concluded that at the reporting date it is not probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Therefore, in accordance with IAS 37, a contingent liability, relating to this possible obligation is disclosed in Note 23.

(i) Contingent consideration -LCCM Bond B Payable

Judgement was required in determining the accounting for the contingent consideration payable for the LCCM Environmental Bond, as determined by the Government of South Australia under the July 2022 PEPR. The Group has an obligation to pay a A\$1.14m bond prior to commencement of authorised operations at the LCCM site. This Bond B addresses future liabilities resulting from operations as described in the PEPR.

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Whilst a possible obligation exists in relation to the consideration payable, given the project is not in operation, it was concluded that at the reporting date it is not probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Therefore, in accordance with IAS 37, a contingent liability, relating to this possible obligation is disclosed in Note 23.

3. Financial instruments - Risk management

The Group is exposed to the following financial risks:

- Credit risk
- Foreign exchange risk
- Commodity price risk
- Liquidity risk

In common with all other businesses, the Group is exposed to risks that arise from its use of financial instruments. This note describes the Group's objectives, policies, and processes for managing those risks and the methods used to measure them.

There have been no substantive changes in the Group's exposure to financial instrument risks, its objectives, policies, and processes for managing those risks or the methods used to measure them from last year unless otherwise stated in this note.

Principal financial instruments

The principal financial instruments used by the Group, from which financial instrument risk arises, are:

- Trade and other receivables
- Cash and cash equivalents
- Trade and other payables
- Lease liabilities
- Borrowings

A summary of the financial instruments held by category is provided below:

Group	Financial assets at amortised cost	
	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
Cash and cash equivalents	777	621
Assets held for sale	134	127
Trade and other receivables	384	277
Total financial assets	1,295	1,025
Group	Financial liabilities at amortised cost	
	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
Trade and other payables	296	150
Liabilities held by Group for resale	1,169	1,098
Lease liabilities	861	1,106
Total financial liabilities	2,326	2,354

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Company	Financial assets at amortised cost	
	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
Cash and cash equivalents	8	14
Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings	2,819	1,431
Total financial assets at amortised cost	2,827	1,445

Company	Financial liabilities at amortised cost	
	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
Trade and other payables	49	18
Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings	4,145	3,677
Total financial liabilities	4,194	3,695

General objectives, policies and processes

The Board has overall responsibility for the determination of the Group's risk management objectives and policies and, whilst retaining ultimate responsibility for them, it has delegated the authority for designing and operating processes that ensure the effective implementation of the objectives and policies to the Group's finance function. The overall objective of the Board is to set policies that seek to reduce risk as far as possible without unduly affecting the Group's competitiveness and flexibility. Further details regarding these policies are set out below:

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Group if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. The Group is mainly exposed to credit risk from credit sales. It is Group policy, implemented locally, to assess the credit risk of new customers before entering contracts. Such credit assessments are taken into account by local business practices. Further disclosures regarding trade and other receivables, which follow IFRS 9 including expected credit losses, are provided for in Note 13.

The Company is exposed to credit risk through amounts due from its subsidiary undertakings. Refer to Note 1 for details on the credit loss allowance made.

Credit risk also arises from cash and cash equivalents and deposits with banks and financial institutions. For banks and financial institutions, only independently rated parties with minimum rating "A" are accepted.

Foreign exchange risk

Foreign exchange risk arises when individual Group entities enter into transactions denominated in a currency other than their functional currency. The Group's policy is, where possible, to allow Group entities to settle liabilities denominated in their own functional currency (being Pound Sterling, US dollar and Australian dollar) with the cash generated from their own operations where possible in that currency. Where Group entities have liabilities denominated in a currency other than their functional currency (and have insufficient reserves of that currency to settle them), cash already denominated in that currency will, where possible, be transferred from elsewhere within the Group.

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The parent Company maintains US dollar and pounds sterling bank accounts, whilst subsidiaries may hold either these currency accounts or their local currency.

All receivables and payables are settled at the prevailing spot rate; no forward contracts or other hedging instruments are currently entered into. The Board monitors the total foreign exchange risk on a periodic basis but given the major in and out flows of cash are in US dollars there is a natural hedge in place which minimises the overall exposure.

As of 31 December, the net exposure to foreign exchange risk was as follows:

Net foreign currency financial assets/(liabilities)

	US dollar		Sterling		Australian dollar		Total	
	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
Group								
Total net exposure	(545)	(664)	125	(20)	(611)	(645)	(1,031)	(1,329)

The effect of a 20% strengthening of the Sterling and Australian Dollar against the US Dollar at the reporting date on the corresponding net financial assets carried at that date would, all other variables held constant, have resulted in an increase in the post-tax profit for the year of \$125,000 (2024: \$133,000) and an increase in the net assets of \$125,000 (2024: \$133,000). A 20% weakening in the exchange rate would, on the same basis, have decreased post-tax profit and decreased net assets by \$125,000 (2024: \$133,000).

Net foreign currency financial assets/(liabilities)

	Functional currency of individual entity			
	Sterling		Total	
	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
Company				
Total net exposure	(41)	(4)	(41)	(4)

Commodity price risk

Typically, the sale of magnetite to the export market, as opposed to US domestic customers, is priced by reference to the market quoted Platts IODEX 62% Fe CFR China price over which the Group has no influence. There were no exports of product in the 2025 year. As domestic sales prices are determined more by local supply/demand factors and transportation costs, they do not, generally fluctuate with changes in global prices, hence, there is no significant exposure to market price risks expected in the coming year.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk arises from the Group's management of working capital.

The Group's policy is to ensure that it will always have sufficient cash to allow it to meet its liabilities when they become due. To achieve this aim, it seeks to maintain cash balances to meet expected requirements for a period of at least 30 days.

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Liquidity risk (continued)

The Board receives periodic cash flow projections as well as information regarding cash balances. The Group does not have any overdraft or credit lines in place. The liquidity risk of each Group entity is managed centrally by the finance function.

The following table sets out the contractual maturities (representing undiscounted contractual cash-flows) of financial liabilities:

Group	Up to 3 months	Between 3 and 12 Months	Between 1 and 2 year	Between 2 and 5 Years	Over 5 years
At 31 December 2025	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Trade and other payables	296	-	-	-	-
Liabilities for sale	-	1,169	-	-	-
Lease liabilities	57	177	241	386	-
Total	353	1,346	241	386	-
Group	Up to 3 months	Between 3 and 12 months	Between 1 and 2 year	Between 2 and 5 years	Over 5 years
At 31 December 2024	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Trade and other payables	150	-	-	-	-
Liabilities for sale	-	1,098	-	-	-
Lease liabilities	134	235	209	528	-
Total	284	1,333	209	528	-
Company	Up to 3 months	Between 3 and 12 months	Between 1 and 2 year	Between 2 and 5 years	Over 5 years
At 31 December 2025	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Trade and other payables	147	-	-	-	-
Loans from subsidiary undertakings	-	4,145	-	-	-
Total	147	4,145	-	-	-
Company	Up to 3 months	Between 3 and 12 months	Between 1 and 2 year	Between 2 and 5 years	Over 5 years
At 31 December 2024	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Trade and other payables	110	-	-	-	-
Loans from subsidiary undertakings	-	3,677	-	-	-
Total	110	3,677	-	-	-

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Capital Disclosures

The Group monitors "adjusted capital" which comprises all components of equity (i.e., share capital, share premium, merger reserve, and retained earnings).

The Group's objectives when maintaining capital are:

- to safeguard the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, so that it can continue to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders and
- to provide an adequate return to shareholders by pricing products with the level of risk.

The Group sets the amount of capital it requires in proportion to risk. The Group manages its capital structure and adjusts it in the light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets.

4. Segment information

The Group has four main segments during the period:

- *Southern Minerals Group LLC (SMG)* - This segment is involved in the sale of magnetite to both the US domestic market and historically transported magnetite to port for onward export sale.
- *Head Office* - This segment incurs all the administrative costs of central operations and finances the Group's operations. A management fee is charged for completing this service and other certain services and expenses.
- *Development Asset - discontinued* – This segment holds the Leigh Creek Copper Mine Development Asset in Australia and incurs all related operating costs.
- *United Kingdom* - The investment in the Redmoor Project in Cornwall, United Kingdom is held by this segment.

Factors that management used to identify the Group's reportable segments.

The Group's reportable segments are strategic business units that carry out different functions and operations and operate in different jurisdictions.

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision-maker. The chief operating decision maker has been identified as the Board and management team which includes the Board and the Chief Financial Officer.

Measurement of operating segment profit or loss, assets, and liabilities

The Group evaluates segmental performance on the basis of profit or loss from operations calculated in accordance with UK-adopted International Accounting Standards.

Segment assets exclude tax assets and assets used primarily for corporate purposes. Segment liabilities exclude tax liabilities. Loans and borrowings are allocated to the segments in which the borrowings are held. Details are provided in the reconciliation from segment assets and liabilities to the consolidated statement of financial position.

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	SMG	Head Office	United Kingdom	Development Asset-discontinued	Intra Segment Elimination	Total
	2025 \$'000	2025 \$'000	2025 \$'000	2025 \$'000	2025 \$'000	2025 \$'000
Revenues	4,231	-	-	-	-	4,231
Total Revenue	4,231	-	-	-	-	4,231
Raw Materials and consumables	(618)	-	-	-	-	(618)
Overhead expenses	(901)	(1,485)	(214)	-	-	(2,600)
Management fee and other income/(expense)	(100)	260	-	-	-	160
Amortisation- right of use asset	(363)	-	-	-	-	(363)
Depreciation	(36)	-	(8)	-	-	(44)
Interest	-	-	(1)	-	-	(1)
Foreign exchange gain/(loss)	-	(51)	(5)	(6)	-	(62)
Segment profit/(loss) from operations	<u>2,213</u>	<u>(1,276)</u>	<u>(228)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>703</u>
Lease interest	(47)	-	-	-	-	(47)
Finance expense	-	-	-	-	-	-
Segment profit/(loss) before taxation	<u>2,166</u>	<u>(1,276)</u>	<u>(228)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>656</u>
Taxation	(615)	-	-	-	-	(615)
Segment profit/(loss) continuing operations	<u>1,551</u>	<u>(1,276)</u>	<u>(228)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>41</u>
Segment loss from discontinued operations	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(189)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(189)</u>
Segment profit/(loss)	<u>1,551</u>	<u>(1,276)</u>	<u>(228)</u>	<u>(195)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(148)</u>

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	SMG 2024 \$'000	Head Office 2024 \$'000	United Kingdom 2024 \$'000	Development Asset- discontinued 2024 \$'000	Intra Segment Elimination 2024 \$'000	Total 2024 \$'000
Revenues	4,745	-	-	-	-	4,745
Total Revenue	4,745	-	-	-	-	4,745
Raw Materials and consumables	(846)	-	-	-	-	(846)
Overhead expenses	(737)	(618)	(19)	-	-	(1,374)
Management fee income/(expense)	(100)	102	-	-	(2)	-
Amortisation- right of use asset	(334)	-	-	-	-	(334)
Depreciation	(18)	-	-	-	-	(18)
Interest	-	(9)	-	-	-	(9)
Foreign exchange gain/(loss)	-	(933)	-	-	920	(13)
Segment profit/(loss) from operations	<u>2,710</u>	<u>(1,458)</u>	<u>(19)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>918</u>	<u>2,151</u>
Lease interest	(19)	-	-	-	-	(19)
Finance expense	-	(11)	(12)	-	-	(23)
Segment profit/(loss) before taxation	<u>2,691</u>	<u>(1,469)</u>	<u>(31)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>918</u>	<u>2,109</u>
Taxation	(691)	-	-	-	-	(691)
Segment profit/(loss) continuing operations	<u>2,000</u>	<u>(1,469)</u>	<u>(31)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>918</u>	<u>1,418</u>
Segment loss from discontinued operations	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(113)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(113)</u>
Segment profit/(loss)	<u>2,000</u>	<u>(1,469)</u>	<u>(31)</u>	<u>(113)</u>	<u>918</u>	<u>1,305</u>

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As at 31 December 2025	SMG \$'000	Head Office \$'000	Development Asset- discontinued \$'000	United Kingdom \$'000	Total \$'000
Additions to non-current assets	-	-	-	1,287	1,287
Reportable segment assets	1,258	455	134	8,013	9,860
Reportable segment liabilities	1,186	149	1,169	252	2,756

As at 31 December 2024	SMG \$'000	Head Office \$'000	Development Asset \$'000	United Kingdom \$'000	Total \$'000
Additions to non-current assets	-	-	113	418	531
Reportable segment assets	1,649	397	127	5,924	8,097
Reportable segment liabilities	1,854	153	1,098	26	3,131

	External revenue by location of customers		Non-current assets by location of assets	
	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
United States	4,231	4,745	910	1,104
United Kingdom	-	-	7,573	5,910
Australia (Development Asset-discontinued)	-	-	-	-
	4,231	4,745	8,483	7,014

Revenues from Customer A totalled \$2,135,460 (2024: \$2,440,676), which represented 51% (2024: 51%) of total sales, Customer B \$908,237 (2024: \$797,755) which represented 22% (2024: 17%) of total sales, Customer C totalled \$612,393 (2024: \$795,252) which represented 13% (2024: 17%) and Customer D totalled \$538,922 (2024: \$557,172) which represented 13% (2024: 12%).

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5. (Loss)/profit before tax

Group		Year to 31 December 2025 \$'000	Year to 31 December 2024 \$'000
Costs by nature			
	Notes		
(Loss)/profit before tax is stated after charging:			
Directors' fees and emoluments	6	301	160
Fees payable to the company's auditor for the audit of the parent company and consolidated financial statements		99	89
Non-audit services		-	-
Staff costs	6	525	686
Depreciation		44	18
Amortisation of right-of -use assets		363	334
Equipment rental (i)		2	11
Equipment maintenance		106	60
Legal, professional and consultancy fees		456	138
Travelling and related costs		43	-
Other expenses		359	230
Overhead expenses		2,298	1,726
Foreign exchange loss		62	13
Share based payments charge		549	-
Interest		1	9
Finance fee		-	23
Other expenses		612	45
Lease interest		47	19
Loss from discontinued operations	26	189	113
		3,146	1,903

(i) Equipment hire includes a number of short-term rentals.

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6. Directors and employees

Group	Year to 31 December 2025 \$'000	Year to 31 December 2024 \$'000
Staff costs during the year		
Directors' remuneration expense including consulting fees	54	74
Directors' remuneration – salary and wages	220	78
Directors' remuneration Pension costs	-	8
Share based payment expense	549	-
Wages and salaries including consulting fees for management	527	656
Social security costs	25	30
Total staff costs	1,375	846

Details of the highest paid Director are disclosed in the Remuneration Committee Report on pages 29 and 30.

The average number of people (including Directors) employed by the Group during the year was:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Total	18	12

Company	Year to 31 December 2025 \$'000	Year to 31 December 2024 \$'000
Staff costs during the year		
Directors' remuneration including consulting fees	-	30
Directors' remuneration – salary and wages	220	78
Directors' remuneration pension costs	-	8
Share based payment expense	549	-
Social security costs	25	-
Total staff costs	794	116

The average number of people (including Directors) employed by the Company during the year was:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Total	3	3

The number of directors to whom retirement benefits under money purchase pension schemes is nil (2024: nil).

The following Directors were issued share options during the year, details of which can be found in Note 20:

Director		Number of shares under Option	Exercise price per Option share	Option expiry
M Burnett	Executive Director	70,000,000	0.4 pence	15 August 2035
C Manners	Chairman	50,000,000	0.4 pence	15 August 2035

At 31 December 2025, no Directors or key management personnel had any accrued short term, post-employment, long term or termination benefits other than the share options detailed above (2024: nil). The Key Management Personnel of the Group are considered to be the Directors.

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7. Taxation

	Year to 31 December 2025 \$'000	Year to 31 December 2024 \$'000
Current tax expense – Overseas Tax (USA)	677	537
Deferred tax (credit)/expense	(62)	154
	615	691
Reconciliation of effective tax rates	\$'000	\$'000
Profit before tax (including discontinued operations)	467	1,996
Tax at the UK standard rate of corporation tax of 25% (2024 - 25%)	117	499
Effect of		
Expenses not deductible for tax	57	93
Allowable deductions	-	(121)
Under provision in respect of previous years	-	12
Losses carried forward	379	174
Difference in overseas tax rates	62	34
	615	691

The Group has a tax payable of \$0.124m (2024: payable \$0.415m).

The Group has unused losses to carry forward of \$27,702,244 (2024: \$26,176,847). No deferred tax asset has been recognised for losses as their recovery is not probable in the foreseeable future.

Different tax rates applied in overseas jurisdictions reflect the different tax rates applicable in the various jurisdictions in which the Group operates. The current tax expense and over provision in respect of prior year relates to operations in the USA. The combined state, federal and branch rate of corporate tax in USA is approximately 29%.

The Company and Group do not have any exposure to Pillar Two income taxes.

8. Earnings per share

Earnings per ordinary share have been calculated using the weighted average number of shares in issue during the relevant financial year. The weighted average number of shares in issue during the year was 2,237,498,862 (2024: 2,015,964,616).

Fully diluted earnings are based on 2,237,498,862 (2024: 2,015,964,616) shares and the loss for the financial period was \$0.148m (2024: profit \$1.305m).

Instruments (including contingently issuable shares) that could potentially dilute basic earnings per share in the future but were not included in the calculation of diluted earnings per share because they are antidilutive for the periods presented.

For details shares issued following the year end refer to Note 27.

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9. Intangible Assets

Group	Exploration and evaluation assets \$'000	Other intangible assets \$'000	Total \$'000
Cost			
At 1 January 2024	6,690	26,317	33,007
Additions for the year	444	-	444
Research and Development refund	(26)	-	(26)
Reclassification to Disposal Group	-	(545)	(545)
Foreign exchange difference	(85)	-	(85)
At 31 December 2024	7,023	25,772	32,795
At 1 January 2025	7,023	25,772	32,795
Additions in the year	2,101	-	2,101
Grant reimbursement	(791)	-	(791)
Research and Development refund	(23)	-	(23)
Foreign exchange difference	384	-	384
At 31 December 2025	8,694	25,772	34,466
Amortisation and impairment			
At 1 January 2024	(1,122)	(26,317)	(27,439)
Reclassification to Disposal Group	-	545	545
At 31 December 2024	(1,122)	(25,772)	(26,894)
At 1 January 2025	(1,122)	(25,772)	(26,894)
At 31 December 2025	(1,122)	(25,772)	(26,894)
Net book value			
At 31 December 2023	5,568	-	5,568
At 31 December 2024	5,901	-	5,901
At 31 December 2025	7,572	-	7,572

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Exploration and evaluation assets

- (i) Exploration and evaluation ("E&E") costs as at 31 December 2025 are the costs associated with the exploration tenements in the UK held by Cornwall Resources Ltd ('CRL').

Other intangible assets

- (ii) The other intangible asset of \$25,772k arose from a contractual relationship entered into by Southern Minerals Group LLC ('SMG'), an entity wholly owned by Ebony Iron Pty Limited, with a third party for the rights to a magnetite stockpile held at that party's Cobre mine in New Mexico, USA. This other intangible asset was fully amortised by the end of 31 December 2017.
- (iii) An intangible asset of \$545k arose from the contractual relationship entered into by LCCM with a third party for an offtake agreement over the Leigh Creek Copper mine project. Further information regarding the impairment of the LCCM project can be found at Note 11.

The intangible asset was assessed for impairment at 31 December 2025.

The carrying value of the intangible asset was assessed as \$nil at 31 December 2024 and 31 December 2025 and an impairment expense of \$nil (2024: \$nil) has been charged to the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

At 31 December 2025, the intangible asset had been reclassified as an Asset Held for Sale, refer Note 22.

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10. Investments

Company	Loans to subsidiary undertakings (ii)	Shares in subsidiary undertakings (i)	Total
Cost	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
At 1 January 2024	7,449	51,213	58,662
Movement in the year	549	-	549
Foreign exchange difference	(128)	265	137
At 31 December 2024	7,870	51,478	59,348
At 1 January 2025	7,870	51,478	59,348
Movement in the year	1,268	-	1,268
Foreign exchange difference	129	2,743	2,872
At 31 December 2025	9,267	54,221	63,488
Impairment			
At 1 January 2024	(6,383)	(46,802)	(53,185)
Charge for the year	(128)	-	(128)
Foreign exchange difference	72	(153)	(81)
At 31 December 2024	(6,439)	(46,955)	(53,394)
At 1 January 2025	(6,439)	(46,955)	(53,394)
Charge for the year	(9)	-	(9)
Foreign exchange difference	-	(2,916)	(2,916)
At 31 December 2025	(6,448)	(49,871)	(56,319)
Carrying Value			
At 31 December 2024	1,431	4,523	5,954
At 31 December 2025	2,819	4,350	7,169

(i) Shares in subsidiary undertakings are assessed for impairment and are carried at cost. Refer Note 1 for further information in respect to the accounting policy.

(ii) Loans provided to subsidiary undertakings are interest free and repayable on demand. The loans are expected to be repaid by future disposal proceeds and revenues generated from the Group's assets in USA and the UK respectively.

Loans to subsidiary undertakings are assessed for impairment in accordance with IFRS 9. Under IFRS 9, provisions for impairment of loans in subsidiary undertakings is based on an expected credit loss assessment (refer Note 1 for further detail).

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IFRS 9 requires the parent company to make assumptions when implementing the forward- looking expected credit loss model. This model is required to be used to assess the intercompany loan receivables from its subsidiaries for impairment. The model also assesses the investment in subsidiaries for impairment.

Arriving at an expected credit loss allowance involved considering different scenarios for the recovery of the intercompany loan receivables, the possible credit losses that could arise and probabilities for these scenarios and an assessment of the net asset position of the subsidiary.

The following were considered, the exploration project risk, the future sales potential of product, value of potential reserves and the resulting expected economic outcomes of the project.

Refer Note 1 for further information in respect to the accounting policy and Note 2 (c) in relation to the accounting judgements.

Investment in subsidiaries

	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
Company- carrying value		
Investments in subsidiary undertakings – CRL	4,350	4,523
	4,350	4,523

The Company holds more than 20% of the share capital of the following companies:

Subsidiary undertakings	Country of Incorporation	Principal Activity	Class of share	% Owned
Central Australian Rare Earths Pty Ltd	Australia (ii)	Exploration and development	Ordinary	100%
Iron Glen Holdings Pty Limited	Australia (ii)	Holding Company	Ordinary	100%
Southern Minerals Group LLC (i)	USA (iii)	Sale of magnetite	Ordinary	100%
SMG Cobre LLC (i)	USA (iii)	Holding Company	Ordinary	100%
Ebony Iron Pty Limited	Australia (ii)	Holding Company	Ordinary	100%
Leigh Creek Copper Mine Pty Ltd (i)	Australia (ii)	Exploration and development	Ordinary	100%
Iron Glen Pty Ltd	Australia (ii)	Dormant Company	Ordinary	100%
Cornwall Resources Limited	United Kingdom (iv)	Exploration and development	Ordinary	100%

(i) Held by Ebony Iron Pty Limited

(ii) Registered office – 3 Laundess Avenue, Panania NSW 2213

(iii) Registered office - 303 Fierro Road, Hanover, New Mexico, USA, 88041

(iv) Registered office – 27-28 Eastcastle St, London W1W 8DH United Kingdom

Cornwall Resources Limited is exempt from audit by virtue of section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

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11. Property, Plant, and Equipment

Group	Development Asset \$'000	Plant and Machinery \$'000	Total \$'000
Cost			
At 1 January 2024	8,033	723	8,756
Additions in the year	113	-	113
Reclassify to disposal asset	(8,146)	(328)	(8,474)
Foreign exchange difference	-	7	7
At 31 December 2024	-	402	402
At 1 January 2025	-	402	402
Additions – Reclassify to Disposal Asset	-	63	63
Foreign exchange difference	-	(11)	(11)
At 31 December 2025	-	454	454
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 January 2024	(8,033)	(643)	(8,676)
Charge in the year –impairment	(113)	-	(113)
Charge in the year – depreciation	-	(18)	(18)
Reclassify to Disposal Asset	8,146	328	8,474
Foreign exchange difference	-	(9)	(9)
At 31 December 2024	-	(342)	(342)
At 1 January 2025	-	(342)	(342)
Charge for the year – depreciation	-	(22)	(22)
Foreign exchange difference	-	11	11
At 31 December 2025	-	(353)	(353)
Carrying value			
At 31 December 2023	-	80	80
At 31 December 2024	-	60	60
At 31 December 2025	-	101	101

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Management assesses the carrying value of Development assets for indicators of impairment based on the requirements of IAS36. The following are the key assumptions used in this assessment of carrying value.

- Mineable reserves over life of project
- Forecasted Copper pricing
- Capital and operating cost assumptions to deliver the mining schedule
- Foreign exchange rates
- Discount rate

If the carrying amount of the Development asset exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired. The Group will impair the carrying amount of the asset to its recoverable amount and recognise an impairment loss.

2025 Assessment

There are significant indicators of impairment for the LCCM project. Additions to the asset in 2025 represent ongoing costs associated with maintaining the asset.

The Group has reduced the carrying amount of the asset to nil recognising an impairment loss of \$0.189m in the year ended 31 December 2025 (2024: \$0.113m) as the loss for the year from discontinued operations in profit or loss.

The Board continue to progress a sale of the LCCM project, and in December 2025 the proposed purchaser, Cuprum Metals, exercised its call option on the project, paying a first instalment of A\$150,000. Both parties continue to work towards a completion of this sale by 31 May 2026, at which point the purchaser will pay a second instalment of A\$1,750,000, however the Directors note that there can be no guarantee that the sale will be concluded. As the lack of definitive sale agreement is a significant indicator of the ongoing impairment for the LCCM project, the Group has continued to maintain the carrying amount of the asset at nil and has expensed the expenditure on the project during the year.

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12. Inventories

	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
Finished goods held for sale	4	4
	4	4

No inventories have been written off to profit or loss in the year (2024: Nil).

13. Trade and other receivables

	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
Group		
Current		
Trade receivables	240	277
Less: provision for impairment of trade receivables	-	-
	240	277
VAT/GST Receivable	144	18
	384	295
Prepayments	78	36
Company		
Current		
VAT/GST Receivable	21	10
	21	10

The Group's trade receivables are derived from magnetite customers at Cobre, whose credit quality is assessed by considering the customers financial position, experience, and other factors. There are no significant concentrations of credit risk, whether through exposure to individual customers, specific industry sectors and/or regions. Within 90 days of the year end, the Group had collected 100% of the trade receivables outstanding at 31 December 2025. The Group did not recognise any impairment and believes that credit risk is limited as customers pay within a short period of time.

The Group applies the IFRS 9 simplified approach to measuring credit losses using a lifetime expected credit loss provision for trade receivables. Based on the assessment, the carrying value of trade receivables, classified at amortised cost, approximated the fair value.

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14. Cash and cash equivalents

	2025	2024
Group	\$'000	\$'000
Bank current accounts	777	621
Cash in the statement of cash flows	777	621
Company		
Bank current accounts	8	14
Cash in the statement of cash flows	8	14

The Group's balances are held with well-known and highly rated UK, USA, and Australian banks.

15. Trade and other payables

	2025	2024
Group	\$'000	\$'000
Trade payables	281	125
Other payables	15	25
Accruals	98	92
	394	242
Company		
Trade payables	41	7
Other payables	8	11
Accruals	98	92
	147	110
Loans due to subsidiary undertakings	4,145	3,677
	4,145	3,677

Book values approximate to fair value at 31 December 2025 and 2024.

Intercompany loan balances are interest-free, and repayable on demand.

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16. Provisions

Group	Deferred Tax Liability \$'000	Total \$'000
At 1 January 2024	116	116
Movement for the year	154	154
At 31 December 2024	270	270
Movement for the year	(62)	(62)
At 31 December 2025	208	208

17. Deferred tax

A deferred tax liability has been recognised in relation to the temporary differences arising from accelerated depreciation for tax purposes compared to the depreciation charged in the financial statements.

Under the applicable tax legislation, certain fixed assets are depreciated at a faster rate for tax purposes than for accounting purposes. This has resulted in a taxable temporary difference and the recognition of a corresponding deferred tax liability.

18. Leases

The Group has leases for plant and machinery (including two dozers and an excavator) and a vehicle. Each lease is reflected on the balance sheet as a right-of-use asset and a lease liability. The Group classifies its right-of-use assets in a consistent manner to its property, plant, and equipment (see Note 11).

Right of Use Asset

Group	Plant, machinery, and vehicles \$'000	Total \$'000
At 1 January 2024	453	453
Additions	940	940
Amortisation (capitalised)	(6)	(6)
Amortisation	(334)	(334)
At 31 December 2024	1,053	1,053
Group		
At 1 January 2025	1,053	1,053
Additions	142	142
Amortisation (capitalised)	(4)	(4)
Amortisation	(381)	(381)
At 31 December 2025	810	810

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Lease Liabilities

Group	Plant, machinery, and vehicles \$'000	Total \$'000
As at 1 January 2024	455	455
Additions	975	975
Interest payments	19	19
Lease payments	(343)	(343)
At 31 December 2024	1,106	1,106
As at 1 January 2025	1,106	1,106
Additions	132	132
Interest expense	49	49
Lease payments	(426)	(426)
At 31 December 2025	861	861

Lease liabilities are presented in the Statement of Financial Position as follows:

Group	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
Current	234	369
Non-Current	627	737
Total	861	1,106

Maturity Analysis of lease liabilities

Group	Up to 3 Months \$'000	Between 3 and 12 Months \$'000	Between 1 and 2 Years \$'000	Between 2 and 5 Years \$'000	Over 5 years \$'000
At 31 December 2025					
Lease liabilities	57	177	241	386	-
Total	57	177	241	386	-

The Company does not have any lease liabilities.

The table below describes the nature of the Group's leasing activities by type of right-of-use asset.

Right of Use Asset	No of Right of Use assets leased	Range of remaining term	No of leases with extension options
Plant and Machinery	6	1-5 years	-
Motor Vehicle	1	1-5 years	-

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19. Share Capital and Premium

	Number	Share Capital \$,000	Share Premium \$,000	Total \$,000
At 1 January 2025 Ordinary shares of 0.1 pence each	2,015,964,616	2,916	49,387	52,303
At 31 December 2025 Ordinary shares of 0.1 pence each	2,369,297,949	3,388	50,283	53,671

During the year, in April 2025 the Company issued 333,333,333 new Ordinary Shares at a placing price of 0.3 pence per share for gross proceeds of £1m. In November 2025 20,000,000 new Ordinary shares were issued in relation to the exercise of certain warrants at an exercise price of 0.5 pence per share for a total consideration of £0.1m.

The Parent Company has one class of Ordinary Share and all shares have equal voting rights and rank *pari passu* for the distribution of dividends and repayment of capital.

The total issued share capital of the Company comprises 2,369,297,949 ordinary shares of 0.10p each, with one voting right per share. The Company does not hold any ordinary shares in treasury.

The total number of ordinary shares and voting rights in the Company at 31 December 2025 is therefore 2,369,297,949.

During 2024, the Company issued 10,000,000 warrants. Each warrant attached which entitled the holder to subscribe for one new Ordinary Share at a price of 0.50p per share with an expiry date of 31 December 2025. All warrants in issue at the start of the year lapsed during the year.

Date of grant	Granted at 31.12.24	Issued	Lapsed	Granted at 31.12.25	Exercise price	Exercise Period From	Exercise Period To
10.10.23	10,000,000	-	(10,000,000)	-	0.50p	10.10.23	31.12.25
01.04.24	10,000,000	-	(10,000,000)	-	0.50p	01.04.24	31.12.25

The number of warrants that are exercisable at 31 December 2025 is nil (2024:20,000,000).

20. Share based payments

The Group has a share-ownership compensation scheme for senior executives of the Group whereby senior executives may be granted options to purchase ordinary shares in the Company.

During the year the Company granted options over ordinary shares to certain Directors and senior management. The options vest subject to continued employment and performance conditions as detailed below. Options have a 10 year life and an exercise price of 0.4 pence.

Proportion of Option Shares	Date on which Option Shares become exercisable
50%	Upon share price trading above 0.5p per share for 30-day VWAP
50%	Upon publication of a new Mineral Resource Estimate

Date of grant	Granted at 31.12.24	Issued	Lapsed	Granted at 31.12.25	Exercise price	Exercise Period From	Exercise Period To
15.08.25	-	145,000,000	-	145,000,000	0.40p	15.08.25	15.08.35

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The fair value of options granted during the year was determined using the Black-Scholes valuation model.

The key inputs used in the valuation were:

Share price at date of grant	0.315p
Exercise Price	0.400p
Expected Volatility*	105%
Expected Dividend	Nil
Contractual Life	10 years
Risk free rate	4.09%
Estimated fair value of each option	0.2868p

*The expected volatility was determined based on the historic volatility of the Company's shares.

The Company recognised an expense of \$549,000 in relation to the issue of these options (2024: \$nil).

The weighted average remaining contractual life of share options outstanding at 31 December 2025 was 9.4 years (2024: nil).

No options were granted in 2024.

21. Loans and Borrowings

Group	Loan \$'000	Total \$'000
As at 1 January 2024	35	35
Loan advance	62	62
Accrued interest	10	10
Foreign exchange	(3)	(3)
Loan repayment	(104)	(104)
As at 31 December 2024	-	-
Loan advance	-	-
Accrued interest	-	-
Foreign exchange	-	-
Loan repayment	-	-
As at 31 December 2025		

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22. Assets Held for Sale

Group	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
Assets of Disposal Group Classified as held for Sale		
Development Asset (Note 11)	8,146	8,146
Development Asset – Impairment	(8,146)	(8,146)
Property Plant and Equipment (Note 11)	328	328
Property Plant and Equipment- Impairment	(328)	(328)
Intangible Asset (Note 9(iii))	545	545
Intangible Asset - Impairment	(545)	(545)
Cash and cash equivalents	-	3
Other Current Assets	134	124
	134	127
Liabilities of Disposal Group Classified as held for Sale		
Trade payables	9	16
Environmental bond	1,160	1,082
	1,169	1,098
Net Assets of Disposal Group Classified as held for Sale	(1,035)	(971)

The Board continue to progress a sale of the LCCM project, and in December 2025 the proposed purchaser, Cuprum Mentals, exercised its call option on the project, paying a first instalment of A\$150,000. Both parties continue to work towards a completion of this sale by 31 May 2026, at which point the purchaser will pay a second instalment of A\$1,750,000, however the Directors note that there can be no guarantee that the sale will be concluded. As the lack of definitive sale agreement is a significant indicator of the ongoing impairment for the LCCM project, the Group has continued to maintain the carrying amount of the asset at \$nil and has expensed any expenditure on the project during the year.

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23. Commitments

- (a) Capital expenditure commitments.

At 31 December 2025, no capital commitments existed (2024: Nil).

- (b) Exploration commitments

To maintain current rights to tenure of exploration tenements, the Group is required to outlay amounts in respect of tenement rent to the relevant governing authorities and to meet certain annual exploration expenditure commitments. Other than for standard rent and licence fees, the Group has flexibility over the life of the tenement to meet exploration expenditure commitments. The expected timing of outlays (exploration expenditure, rent and licence fees) which arise in relation to granted tenements and are as follows:

Group	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
due within one year	385	142
due after one year and within five years	1,589	788
due after five years	2,097	708
	4,071	1,638

If LCCM is sold or the mining leases and exploration tenements are relinquished, there would be a decrease in the expenditure commitments to the following:

Group	\$'000
due within one year	52
due after one year and within five years	167
due after five years	159
	378

- (c) Other commitments

As part of the terms of agreement in relation to the purchase of CRL, the Company had a commitment of AUD \$1m on net smelter sales arising from CRL production reaching AUD \$50m and a further AUD \$1m on net smelter sales arising from CRL production reaching AUD \$100m.

Given the asset is still in the exploration phase, these milestone events triggering deferred consideration payments are uncertain.

As part of the PEPR, the Company has an obligation to pay a AUD \$1.140m bond prior to commencement of authorised operations at the LCCM site. The bond addresses future liabilities resulting from operations as described in the PEPR.

Whilst a possible obligation exists in relation to the consideration payable, given the project is not in operation, it was concluded that at reporting date that the payment is uncertain.

When the payments become probable, the Group will recognise a liability in the financial statements.

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24. Controlling party

There is no ultimate controlling party of the Group.

25. Related party transactions

Director and key management personnel remuneration has been disclosed in Note 6.

Directors' interest in shares and options have been disclosed in the Directors Remuneration Report.

The Group incurred costs of \$44,920 (2024: \$72,567) in relation to J Peters' directors remuneration and termination benefits to an associated entity. Of this amount \$nil (2024: \$14,513) was incurred by the Company and \$44,920 (2024: \$58,054) was incurred by Iron Glen Holdings Pty Ltd.

The amount outstanding at the year-end payable to the associated entities was \$nil (2024: \$nil).

During 2025 no interest was paid on accrued director remuneration (2024 \$20,136).

There were no other transactions with Directors, key management personnel or other related parties.

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26. Discontinued operations

The single line-item discontinued operations in 2025 represents the loss in the year of Leigh Creek Copper Mine Pty Ltd that is being actively marketed for sale.

	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Impairment loss	(189)	(113)
Loss for the year from discontinued operations	(189)	(113)

The cash outflows of \$189,000 from discontinued operations relating to Leigh Creek Copper Mine Pty Ltd in the consolidated statement of cash flows (2024: nil) represent additions to the Development Asset.

27. Events after the end of the reporting period

£4m and £4.7m Placements

In January 2026, the Company undertook a Placing which raised gross proceeds of £4m before costs through the placing of 307,692,308 new Ordinary Shares to certain investors at a price of 1.3 pence per share.

In March 2026, the Company undertook a Placing which raised gross proceeds of £4.7m before costs through the placing of 134,285,712 new Ordinary Shares to certain investors at a price of 3.5 pence per share.

The net proceeds of the Placings will be principally used to progress activities at the Company's Redmoor Tungsten-Tin-Copper Project in Cornwall and for working capital purposes.

Grant of Options

On 12 February 2026 the Company issued 88,675,000 share options to Directors of the Company and existing employees of Cornwall Resources Limited, the Company's wholly owned subsidiary.

The share options have an exercise price of 3.5 pence, representing a 33% premium to the 30-day volume weighted average price preceding this announcement.

The share options have a term of 5 years and will vest in two tranches, with 50% becoming exercisable after one year from the date of grant and the remaining 50% after two years, provided each recipient remains an employee of the Company at the time of vesting.

The following options were issued to Directors of the Company as part of this issue of options:

Director		Number options issued
M Burnett	Executive Director	25,000,000
C Manners	Chairman	25,000,000
P Haydn-Slater	Non-Executive Director	10,000,000

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Competent Persons Statement

The information in this report that relates to Redmoor Project is based on information compiled and reviewed at the time by Laurie Hassall MSci (Geology), FIMM, QMR, FGS, who is a full time employee of Snowden Optiro. Mr Hassall holds a Masters of Science degree in Geology from the University of Southampton and is a Fellow of the Institute of Materials, Minerals and Mining (FIMMM), through which he is also accredited as Qualified for Minerals Reporting (QRM). He is also a Fellow of the Geological Society of London (FGS). Snowden Optiro has been engaged by Cornwall Resources Limited to provide independent technical advice. Mr Hassall, a full-time employee of Snowden Optiro, is acting as the Competent Person and is independent of Cornwall Resources Limited. He has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration, and to the activity being undertaken, to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (JORC Code). Mr Hassall is also Competent Person as defined in the Note for Mining and Oil & Gas Companies which form part of the AIM Rules for Companies. Mr Hassall consents to the inclusion in this announcement of the matters based on his information, in the form and context in which it appears. He confirms that, to the best of his knowledge, there is no new information or data that materially affects the information contained in previous market announcements, and that the form and context in which the information is presented has not been materially modified.

The information in this report that relates to the LCCM project is based on information compiled by Mr. David Larsen, who is a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists (Member No. 1976). Mr. Larsen is a consultant to the Company. He has sufficient experience relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person, as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (JORC 2012) and a qualified person as defined in the AIM Note for Mining and Oil & Gas Companies which forms part of the AIM Rules for Companies. Mr. Larsen has over 30 years' Australia and international experience in exploration, mining geology and resource estimation for gold, base metals and iron ore deposits.