

THE LAW DEBENTURE CORPORATION P.L.C.
UNAUDITED INTERIM ACCOUNTS
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

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Statement of Directors' responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing interim accounts with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare interim accounts for the six-month period ended 30 June 2025, which are prepared in accordance with section 838 of the Companies Act 2006, or which have been prepared subject only to matters which are not material for determining, by reference to items mentioned in section 836(1) of the Companies Act 2006, whether the proposed distributions would contravene the relevant section.

In preparing these interim accounts, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and apply to all shares;
- state whether applicable IFRSs as adopted by the European Union have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and
- prepare the accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue to operate for the foreseeable future.

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 interim accounts comply with the relevant provisions of the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company, which includes taking reasonable steps to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

The Directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the Company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of accounts may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

To the best of our knowledge the interim accounts, prepared in accordance with the relevant provision of the Companies Act 2006, have been properly prepared.



Denis Jackson
Director
24 July 2025

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Condensed Statement of Comprehensive Income For the six months ended 30 June 2025

	Notes	Revenue return £'000	Capital return £'000	Total £'000
Revenue				
Realised gains / (losses) from investments held at fair value through profit or loss		-	132,405	132,405
Income from investments held at fair value through profit or loss		22,450	-	22,450
Income from stock lending		501	-	501
Other interest receivable and similar income		145	-	145
Total revenue and capital gains / (losses)		23,096	132,405	155,501
Expenses				
Cost of sales		(100)	-	(100)
Management fees		(339)	(1,016)	(1,355)
Other administrative expenses		(2,128)	(609)	(2,737)
Total expenses		(2,567)	(1,625)	(4,192)
Profit before finance costs and taxation		20,529	130,780	151,309
Finance costs		(961)	(2,454)	(3,415)
Profit before taxation		19,568	128,326	147,894
Taxation on net return on ordinary activities		-	-	-
Profit after taxation for the period		19,568	128,326	147,894
Return per ordinary share	2	14.78	96.91	111.69

The total column of this statement represents the Statement of Comprehensive Income of the Company. All capital and revenue items are derived from continuing operations. No operations were acquired or discontinued during the period. The Company has no recognised gains or losses other than those recognised in the above statement.

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Condensed Statement of Financial Position As at 30 June 2025

	Notes	£'000
Non-current assets		
Other intangible assets		16
Investments held at fair value through profit or loss	3	1,207,271
Investments in subsidiary undertakings	3	61,071
Total non-current assets		1,268,358
Current assets		
Trade and other receivables	4	42,975
Other accrued income and prepaid expenses		4
Total assets		1,311,337
Current liabilities		
Creditors: amounts due within one year	5	64,359
Other taxes including social security		27
Cash and cash equivalents		16,290
Total current liabilities		80,676
Non-current liabilities		
Creditors: amounts due after one year	6	124,304
Total liabilities		204,980
Net assets		1,106,357
Capital and reserves		
Called up share capital		6,694
Share premium		131,023
Capital redemption		8
Capital reserves	8	938,591
Retained earnings		30,041
Equity Shareholders' funds		1,106,357

The unaudited interim accounts were approved by the directors on 24 July 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



Denis Jackson
Director

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Condensed Statement of Changes in Equity For the six months ended 30 June 2025

	Share capital £'000	Share premium £'000	Capital redemption £'000	Capital reserves £'000	Retained earnings £'000	Total £'000
At 1 January 2025	6,626	119,449	8	810,265	34,283	970,631
Profit / (loss) after taxation	-	-	-	128,326	19,568	147,894
Issue of shares	68	11,574	-	-	-	11,642
Dividend relating to 2024 (note 7)	-	-	-	-	(12,598)	(12,598)
Dividend relating to 2025 (note 7)	-	-	-	-	(11,212)	(11,212)
At 30 June 2025	6,694	131,023	8	938,591	30,041	1,106,357

Capital reserves comprises realised and unrealised gains / (losses) on investments held at fair value through profit or loss (refer note 8).

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Notes to the financial statements

1. Accounting policies

a) Basis of preparation

The condensed interim financial information has been prepared on a going concern basis, in accordance with IAS 34 and the Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules of the UK's Financial Conduct Authority.

These financial statements are prepared for the purposes of Section 838 of the Companies Act 2006 and are abridged and unaudited but are otherwise prepared on a consistent basis and following the same accounting policies as the annual accounts for the year to 31 December 2024.

Going concern

The Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company will continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and have therefore used the going concern basis in preparing the condensed financial statements.

The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below. Where presentational guidance set out in the Statement of Recommended Practice: Financial Statements of Investment Trust Companies and Venture Capital Trusts ('SORP') for investment trusts issued by the Association of Investment Companies ('AIC') in July 2022 is consistent with the requirements of IFRSs, the Directors have sought to prepare the financial statements on a basis consistent with the recommendations of the SORP.

b) Critical accounting estimates, judgements and policies

The preparation of the Company's financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts recognised in the financial statements; however uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that require a material adjustment to the carrying amount of the asset or liability affected in the future. As the majority of the Company's financial assets are quoted securities, in the opinion of the Directors, the amounts included as assets and liabilities in the financial statements are not subject to significant judgements, estimates or assumptions.

c) Investments at fair value through profit or loss

Listed and unlisted investments, which comprise the investment trust portfolio, have been designated as investments held at fair value through profit or loss. Purchases and sales of listed and unlisted investments are recognised on the date on which the Company commits to purchase or sell the investment. Investments are initially recognised at fair value and transaction costs are expensed as incurred. Gains and losses arising from listed and unlisted investments, as assets at fair value through profit or loss, are included in the statement of comprehensive income statement in the period in which they arise. The Company has not taken the option to irrevocably designate any equity securities as fair value through other comprehensive income. Transaction costs are expensed immediately.

The fair value of listed investments is based on quoted market prices at the reporting date. The quoted market price used is the bid price.

The fair value of unlisted investments is determined by the Directors with reference to the International Private Equity and Venture Capital Valuation (IPEV) guidelines (December 2022).

Gains and losses on investments and direct transaction costs are analysed within the income statement as capital. All other costs of the investment trust are treated as revenue items.

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

d) Dividend income

Dividend income from investments is recognised when the shareholders' rights to receive payment have been established.

e) Interest income

Interest income is accrued on a time basis using the effective interest rate applicable.

f) Stock lending income

Stock lending revenue is accounted for on an accruals basis and shown in the profit and loss based on amounts to which the Company is entitled.

g) Expenses

All administrative expenses and interest payable are accounted for on an accrual basis. Expenses which are incidental to the purchase or sale of an investment are charged to the capital column of the Statement of Comprehensive Income and allocated to capital reserves. Based on the Board's expected long term split of returns between capital gains and income, the Company charges 75% of investment management fees and finance costs to capital and the other 25% to revenue.

h) Foreign currency

Transactions recorded in foreign currencies during the year are translated into sterling at the exchange rate ruling on the date of the transaction. Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are translated into sterling at the exchange rate ruling at that date.

i) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held with banks and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, subject to insignificant changes in fair value.

j) Borrowing

Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value, which is generally the proceeds net of transaction costs incurred. The difference between the proceeds net of transaction costs and the redemption value is recognised in the income statement over the term of the borrowings using the effective interest rate method, so as to generate a constant rate of return on the amount outstanding.

k) Segmental reporting

The Directors are of the opinion that the Company is engaged in a single segment of business, being an investment business.

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

l) Equity and reserves

Called up share capital represents the nominal value of ordinary shares issued.

The share premium reserve represents the difference between the issue price of shares and the nominal value of shares at the date of issue, net of related issue costs.

The capital redemption reserve was created on the cancellation and repayment of the Company's share capital.

The capital reserves represent the following:

- gains and losses on realisation of investments; and
- changes in the fair value of investments which are readily convertible to cash.

The retained earnings represents accumulated revenue profits retained by the Company that have not currently been distributed to the shareholders as a dividend.

m) Dividends payable to shareholders

Dividends payable to shareholders are recognised in the financial statements when they become legally payable. Dividends paid are disclosed in the Statement of Changes in Equity.

2. Return per ordinary share

The return per share is based on the net profit attributable to shareholders of £19,568,000 and on the weighted average number of shares on issue during the period of 132,420,058.

The capital return per share is based on the net capital return attributable to shareholders of £128,326,000 and on the weighted average number of shares on issue during the period of 132,420,058.

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3. Investments held at fair value through profit or loss

	Listed £000	Unlisted £000	Total £000
Opening cost at 1 January 2025	930,550	9,611	940,161
Gains/(losses) at 1 January 2025	<u>106,622</u>	<u>(4,845)</u>	<u>101,777</u>
Opening fair value at 1 January 2025	1,037,172	4,766	1,041,938
 Purchases at cost	105,599	-	105,599
Cost of acquisition	(496)	-	(496)
Sales - proceeds	(72,175)	-	(72,175)
- realised gains on sales	19,746	-	19,746
Gains / (losses) in the income statement	<u>112,891</u>	<u>(233)</u>	<u>112,659</u>
Closing fair value at 30 June 2024	<u>1,202,737</u>	<u>4,533</u>	<u>1,207,271</u>

Investments in subsidiary undertakings	£'000
At 1 January 2025 and 30 June 2025	<u>61,071</u>

4. Debtors: Amounts due within one year	£'000
Amounts due from group undertakings	36,373
Trade and other receivables	6,548
Other taxes receivable	54
Total	<u>42,975</u>
 5. Creditors: Amounts due within one year	 £'000
Amounts due to group undertakings	62,665
Trade and other payables	1,688
Deferred income	6
Total	<u>64,359</u>
 6. Creditors: Amounts due after one year	 £'000
Long term borrowings	<u>124,304</u>
Total	<u>124,304</u>

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

7. Dividends

Dividends on ordinary shares comprise the following:	£'000
Final dividend for the period ended 31 December 2024	12,598
First interim dividend for the period ended 31 December 2025	11,212
Total dividend paid	23,810

8. Capital reserves

	Unrealised appreciation / (depreciation) £000	Realised reserves £000	Total £000
At 1 January 2025	81,968	728,297	810,265
Net gains / (losses) on investments	112,659	19,746	132,405
Cost of acquisition	(496)	-	(496)
Foreign exchange	(114)	-	(114)
Transfers to revenue	-	(3,469)	(3,469)
At 30 June 2025	194,017	744,574	938,591