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SYNDICATE 6121

ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

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SYNDICATE INFORMATION

MANAGING AGENT:

Managing agent Catlin Underwriting Agencies Limited ("CUAL")

Directors

P Bradbrook	
P Greensmith	
P Jardine	
R Littlemore	
R Glauber	(Non-Executive)
C Ighodaro	(Non-Executive)
B Joseph	(Non-Executive)
J Vereker	(Non-Executive)
P Wilson	(Non-Executive)

Company secretary M L Rees

Registered number 01815126

Registered office 20 Gracechurch Street
London
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SYNDICATE:

Active underwriter P Greensmith

Independent auditors PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors
7 More London Riverside
London
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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)	2017	2016
Syndicate capacity (£m)	—	19.1
Gross premiums written (£m)	4.9	26.1
Net premium written (£m)	4.5	22.7
Earned premiums, net of reinsurance (£m)	14.1	21.4
Underwriting result (£m)	(1.6)	(0.2)
(Loss)/Profit for the financial year (£m)	(1.0)	0.1
Claims ratio	76.7%	61.3%
Expense ratio	34.3%	39.4%
Combined ratio	111.0%	100.7%

**STRATEGIC REPORT OF THE MANAGING AGENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017**

The directors of Catlin Underwriting Agencies Limited ("CUAL"), the managing agent, present their strategic report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017.

Principal activities

Syndicate 6121 was established in 2015 as a 'Special Purpose Arrangement' (SPA). Its principal activity is to underwrite a whole account quota share reinsurance of Syndicate 2003 and this is the only inwards contract that the Syndicate writes. This contract operates on a funds withheld basis.

The underwriting result (net earned premiums minus net claims incurred and net operating expenses) for 2017 is a loss of £1.6m (2016: loss of £0.2m).

The underwriting performance in 2017 was driven by the continuous softening of the rates across the portfolio in the market. The high incidence and magnitude of claims from natural catastrophes in the second half of 2017 such as Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria and California Wildfires added to adverse performance.

Results and performance

During the year, the Syndicate wrote £4.9m (2016: £26.1m) in gross premiums, which represents its share of Syndicate 2003 gross premiums for the 2015 and 2016 year of account, in line with the Whole Account Quota Share agreement between the two syndicates. The syndicate did not participate in the 2017 year of account.

The Syndicate incurred a net loss ratio of 76.7% (2016: 61.3%).

The net operating expense ratio of 34.3% (2016: 39.4%) includes commission and administration expenses which primarily comprise member's personal expenses.

Strategy and future outlook

The 2016 underwriting year is Syndicate's last year of participation in underwriting the whole account quota share reinsurance of Syndicate 2003.

On the 5 March 2018, XL Group Ltd, the ultimate parent of CUAL, announced that it had entered into an agreement to be acquired by AXA. This all-cash offer of \$57.60 per share deal is subject to shareholder approval, regulatory clearances and other customary closing conditions. The acquisition is expected to complete in the second half of 2018.

Managed syndicates

CUAL, the managing agent of the Syndicate, is a company registered in England and Wales. CUAL is a wholly-owned subsidiary of its ultimate parent XL Catlin Group Ltd, a company registered in Bermuda. Copies of the financial statements of both CUAL and XL Catlin Group Ltd are available from 20 Gracechurch Street, London, EC3V 0BG.

The Syndicate is wholly aligned with capital provided by Aioi Nissay Dowa.

This report was approved by the Board and signed on its behalf by:

P Bradbrook
Director
16 March 2018

**MANAGING AGENT'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017**

The directors of the managing agent present their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017.

The annual accounts are prepared using the annual basis of accounting as required by Regulation 5 of the Insurance Accounts Directive (Lloyd's Syndicate and Aggregate Accounts) Regulations 2008 ("the 2008 Regulations"), as well as in compliance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102, "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and Financial Reporting Standard 103, "Insurance Contracts" ("FRS 103").

Future developments and strategy are discussed within the strategic report.

Profit distribution

Profits will continue to be distributed by reference to the results of individual underwriting years. Under Lloyd's accounting rules, the Syndicate's 2015 year of account was closed at the end of 2017 with a return equal to 1.7% of capacity.

Member's balance

The member's balance as at 31 December 2017 was a deficit of £1.2m (2016 £(0.2)m).

Directors

The directors of CUAL who held office during the year and up to the date of signing the annual accounts were:

P Bradbrook		
P Greensmith		
P Jardine		
R Glauber	(Non-Executive)	
B Joseph	(Non-Executive)	
P Wilson	(Non-Executive)	
C Ighodaro	(Non-Executive)	Appointed 12 January 2017
R Littlemore		Appointed 4 July 2017
J Vereker	(Non-Executive)	Appointed 12 September 2017
A McMellin		Resigned 1 January 2017
J Gale		Resigned 1 January 2017
S Catlin	(Non-Executive)	Resigned 30 June 2017
J Harris		Resigned 30 June 2017

Financial instruments and risk management

Information on the use of financial instruments by the Syndicate and its management of financial risk and in particular its exposure to interest rate risk, equity price risk, currency risk, credit risk and liquidity risk is disclosed in note 2 to the financial statements.

**MANAGING AGENT'S REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017**

Statement of managing agent's responsibilities

The directors of the managing agent are responsible for preparing the Syndicate annual accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom accounting standards including Financial Reporting Standard 102 - "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102"), Financial Reporting Standard 103 - "Insurance Contracts" ("FRS 103"), both issued by the Financial Reporting Council.

The Insurance Accounts Directive (Lloyd's Syndicate and Aggregate Accounts) Regulations 2008 ("the Regulations") require the managing agent to prepare Syndicate financial statements for the Syndicate at 31 December each year. 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 Syndicate and of the profit or loss of the Syndicate for that period.

In preparing these Syndicate annual accounts, the directors of the managing agent are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the basis that the Syndicate will continue to write future business unless it is inappropriate to presume that there will be future years of account of the Syndicate.

The directors of the managing agent are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Syndicate's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the Syndicate and enable it to ensure that the Syndicate's annual accounts comply with the Regulations and the relevant provisions of the Companies Act 2006. It is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Syndicate and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The directors confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements.

Statement of disclosure of information to the auditors

Each of the persons who are directors at the date of this report confirms that:

- so far as each director is aware, there is no relevant audit information for which the Syndicate's auditors are unaware; and
- each director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken in his duty as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Syndicate's auditor are aware of that information.

Approved by the Board of Catlin Underwriting Agencies Limited and signed on its behalf by:

M L Rees
Company Secretary
16 March 2018

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBER OF SYNDICATE 6121**Report on the Syndicate annual accounts****Opinion**

In our opinion, Syndicate 6121's syndicate annual accounts (the "syndicate annual accounts"):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the syndicate's affairs as at 31 December 2017 and of its loss and cash flows for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, (United Kingdom Accounting Standards comprising FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland); and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of The Insurance Accounts Directive (Lloyd's Syndicate and Aggregate Accounts) Regulations 2008.

We have audited the syndicate annual accounts included within the Syndicate 6121 Annual Report and Accounts (the "Annual Report"), which comprise: the statement of financial position at 31 December 2017, the statement of profit or loss for the year then ended, the statement of changes in members' balances, the statement of cash flows and the notes to the syndicate annual accounts, which include a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and The Insurance Accounts Directive (Lloyd's Syndicate and Aggregate Accounts) Regulations 2008, as amended by The Statutory Auditors and Third Country Auditors Regulations 2017 and other applicable law.

Our responsibilities under ISAs (UK) are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the syndicate annual accounts section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We remained independent of the syndicate in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the syndicate annual accounts in the UK, which includes the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

- the managing agent's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the syndicate annual accounts is not appropriate; or
- the managing agent has not disclosed in the syndicate annual accounts any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the syndicate's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the syndicate annual accounts are authorised for issue.

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this statement is not a guarantee as to the syndicate's ability to continue as a going concern.

Reporting on other information

The other information comprises all of the information in the Annual Report other than the syndicate annual accounts and our auditors' report thereon. The managing agent is responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the syndicate annual accounts does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this report, any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the syndicate annual accounts, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the syndicate annual accounts or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify an apparent material inconsistency or material misstatement, we are required to perform procedures to conclude whether there is a material misstatement of the syndicate annual accounts or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report based on these responsibilities.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBER OF SYNDICATE 6121 (CONTINUED)

With respect to the Managing Agent's Report, we also considered whether the disclosures required by Insurance Accounts Directive (Lloyd's Syndicate and Aggregate Accounts) Regulations 2008 have been included.

Based on the responsibilities described above and our work undertaken in the course of the audit, ISAs (UK) require us also to report certain opinions and matters as described below.

Managing Agent's Report

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, the information given in the Managing Agent's Report for the year ended 31 December 2017 is consistent with the syndicate annual accounts and has been prepared in accordance with The Insurance Accounts Directive (Lloyd's Syndicate and Aggregate Accounts) Regulations 2008.

In light of the knowledge and understanding of the syndicate and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we did not identify any material misstatements in the Managing Agent's Report.

Responsibilities for the syndicate annual accounts and the audit*Responsibilities of the managing agent for the syndicate annual accounts*

As explained more fully in the Statement of Managing Agent's Responsibilities set out on page 5, the managing agent is responsible for the preparation of the syndicate annual accounts in accordance with the applicable framework and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The managing agent is also responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of syndicate annual accounts that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the syndicate annual accounts, the managing agent is responsible for assessing the syndicate'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 it is intended for the syndicate to cease operations, or it has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the syndicate annual accounts

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the syndicate annual accounts as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these syndicate annual accounts.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the syndicate annual accounts is located on the FRC's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditors' report.

Use of this report

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the syndicate's members as a body in accordance with part 2 of The Insurance Accounts Directive (Lloyd's Syndicate and Aggregate Accounts) Regulations 2008, as amended by The Statutory Auditors and Third Country Auditors Regulations 2017 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBER OF SYNDICATE 6121 (CONTINUED)**Other required reporting****Other matters on which we are required to report by exception**

Under The Insurance Accounts Directive (Lloyd's Syndicate and Aggregate Accounts) Regulations 2008, as amended by The Statutory Auditors and Third Country Auditors Regulations 2017, we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the managing agent in respect of the syndicate has not kept adequate accounting records; or
- certain disclosures of managing agent remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- the syndicate annual accounts are not in agreement with the accounting records.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

Matthew Nichols (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

London

16 March 2018

**STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017**

	Note	2017 £000's	2016 £000's
TECHNICAL ACCOUNT - GENERAL BUSINESS			
Gross premiums written	4	4,876	26,102
Outward reinsurance premiums		<u>(355)</u>	<u>(3,393)</u>
Net premiums written		4,521	22,709
Change in the gross provision for unearned premiums	9	10,831	(1,254)
Change in the provision for unearned premiums, reinsurers' share	9	<u>(1,259)</u>	<u>(99)</u>
Change in the net provision for unearned premiums		9,572	(1,353)
Earned premiums, net of reinsurance		14,093	21,356
Claims incurred, net of reinsurance			
Change in the provision for claims			
Gross amount	9	(12,025)	(14,536)
Reinsurers' share	9	<u>1,216</u>	<u>1,449</u>
Claims incurred, net of reinsurance		(10,809)	(13,087)
Net operating expenses	7	(4,839)	(8,427)
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Balance on the general business technical account		<u>(1,555)</u>	<u>(158)</u>
NON-TECHNICAL ACCOUNT			
Balance on the general business technical account		(1,555)	(158)
Other income	8	422	288
Foreign exchange gains and losses		<u>153</u>	<u>(67)</u>
(Loss)/Profit for the financial year		<u>(980)</u>	<u>63</u>

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2017**

	Note	2017 £000's	2016 £000's
Reinsurers' share of technical provisions			
Provision for unearned premiums	9	600	1,955
Claims outstanding	9	<u>5,605</u>	<u>1,884</u>
		6,205	3,839
Debtors - amounts falling due within one year			
Debtors arising out of reinsurance operations	11	18,459	—
Other debtors	12	<u>435</u>	<u>—</u>
		18,894	—
Debtors - amounts falling due after one year			
Debtors arising out of reinsurance operations	11	19,744	39,108
Other debtors	13	<u>288</u>	<u>333</u>
		20,032	39,441
Prepayments and accrued income			
Deferred acquisition costs	14	1,722	4,161
		<u>46,853</u>	<u>47,441</u>
TOTAL ASSETS			
Capital and reserves			
Member's balance		(1,161)	(181)
Technical provisions			
Provision for unearned premiums	9	2,388	13,905
Claims outstanding	9	<u>33,645</u>	<u>23,491</u>
		36,033	37,396
Creditors - amounts falling due within one year			
Creditors arising out of reinsurance operations	15	5,717	—
Other creditors	16	<u>772</u>	<u>—</u>
		6,489	—
Creditors - amounts falling due after one year			
Creditors arising out of reinsurance operations	15	4,734	8,522
Other creditors	17	<u>705</u>	<u>1,548</u>
		5,439	10,070
Accruals and deferred income		53	156
		<u>46,853</u>	<u>47,441</u>
TOTAL CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES			

The notes on pages 13 to 32 form part of these financial statements.

The Syndicate financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors of Catlin Underwriting Agencies Limited and were signed on its behalf by:

P Bradbrook
Director
16 March 2018

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBER'S BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017**

	Member's Balance £000's
Balance as at 1 January 2016	(244)
Loss for the financial year	63
Balance as at 31 December 2016	<u>(181)</u>
Balance as at 1 January 2017	(181)
Loss for the financial year	(980)
Balance as at 31 December 2017	<u><u>(1,161)</u></u>

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017**

	2017	<i>2016</i>
	£000's	<i>£000's</i>
(Loss)/Profit for the financial year	(980)	<i>63</i>
(Decrease)/Increase in net technical provisions	(3,725)	<i>19,443</i>
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors	3,374	<i>(23,830)</i>
Increase in creditors	1,753	<i>4,584</i>
Movement in other assets / liabilities	—	<i>28</i>
Investment return	(422)	<i>(288)</i>
Net cash (used in)/ generated from operating activities	—	<i>—</i>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	—	<i>—</i>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	—	<i>—</i>

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017**

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES**A Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable UK accounting standards including Financial Reporting Standard 102 - "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102"), Financial Reporting Standard 103 - "Insurance Contracts" ("FRS 103"), both issued by the Financial Reporting Council and in compliance with The Large and Medium-sized Companies and Groups (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 ("S12008/410") relating to insurance companies and other requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the previous years presented, unless otherwise stated. The Syndicate has adopted FRS 102 and FRS 103 in these financial statements.

The preparation of these financial statements required the management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. The actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future period affected.

In particular, information about significant areas of estimation uncertainty and critical judgements in applying accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements are described in this statement of accounting policies and specifically in the following notes:

Note 5: movement in prior year's provision for claims outstanding; and

Note 9: insurance liabilities and reinsurance assets (estimates for losses incurred but not reported).

Capital supporting the business of the Syndicate, referred to as Funds at Lloyd's ("FAL") is, in part, held in separate trust funds administered by Lloyd's in addition to amounts held within the Syndicate Premium Trust Funds. The amounts held by the Corporate Member outside the Syndicate Premium Trust Funds are available to meet the underwriting obligations of the Syndicate, if required. However, these funds are not included in the Syndicate's balance sheet because they are not owned by the Syndicate. The Lloyd's central fund arrangements are available in the event that an individual member's funds are exhausted.

Separate underwriting year accounts for the 2015 underwriting year have not been prepared, as the Syndicate has taken advantage of the exemption under paragraph 6 of the Regulations.

B Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, under the accrual basis whereby the incurred cost of claims, commission and related expenses are charged against the earned proportion of premiums, net of reinsurance, as follows:

(a) Premiums written

Premiums written comprise premiums on contracts inception during the financial year, together with adjustments made in the year to premiums written in prior accounting periods. They also include estimates for pipeline premiums, representing amounts due to the Syndicate not yet notified.

Premiums are shown gross of brokerage payable and exclude taxes and duties levied on them.

Contracts with duration of greater than one year and payable in annual instalments, generally, only the initial annual instalment is included as premiums written at policy inception due to the ability of the (re)insured to commute or cancel coverage during the term of the policy. The remaining annual instalments are included as premiums written at each successive anniversary date within the term.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017**

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

B Basis of accounting (continued)

(b) Unearned premiums

Written premium is earned according to the risk profile of the policy. Unearned premiums represent the proportion of premiums written in the year that relate to the unexpired terms of the policies in force at the balance sheet date, calculated on the basis of established earnings patterns or time apportionment as appropriate.

(c) Acquisition costs

Acquisition costs, comprising commission and other internal and external costs related to the acquisition of new business and renewing existing contracts. The proportion of acquisition costs in respect of unearned premiums is deferred at the reporting date and recognised in periods when the related premiums are earned.

(d) Ceded Reinsurance

These are contracts entered into by the Syndicate with reinsurers under which the Syndicate is compensated for losses on contracts issued by the Syndicate and that meet the definition of an insurance contract. Insurance contracts entered into by the Syndicate under which the contract holder is another insurer (inwards reinsurance) are included with insurance contracts.

Any benefits to which the Syndicate is entitled under its reinsurance contracts held are recognised as reinsurance assets. These assets consist of balances due from reinsurers and include reinsurers' share of provisions for claims. These balances are based on calculated amounts of outstanding claims and projections for IBNR, net of estimated irrecoverable amounts having regard to the reinsurance programme in place for the class of business, the claims experience for the period and the current security rating of the reinsurer involved.

Reinsurance liabilities are primarily premiums payable for reinsurance contracts and are recognised as an expense when due. The syndicate assesses its reinsurance assets for impairment. If there is objective evidence of impairment, then the carrying amount is reduced to its recoverable amount and the impairment loss is recognised in the Statement of Profit or Loss.

(e) Claims incurred

Claims incurred comprise claims and settlement expenses (both internal and external) paid in the year and the movement in provision for outstanding claims and settlement expenses, including an allowance for the cost of claims incurred by the balance sheet date but not reported until after the year-end. Claims incurred are reduced by anticipated salvage and other recoveries.

The only inwards contract that the Syndicate writes is the whole account quota share reinsurance of Syndicate 2003, which operates on a funds withheld basis. As such, claims are effectively settled on closure of each underwriting year on a net basis.

(f) Claims provisions and related recoveries

The outstanding claims comprise amounts set aside for claims notified and claims incurred but not yet reported ("IBNR").

Notified claims are estimated on a case by case basis. In estimating the cost of these the Syndicate has regard to the claim circumstance as reported, any information available from loss adjusters and information on the cost of settling claims with similar characteristics in a previous period. Large claims impacting each relevant business class are generally assessed separately, being measured on a case by case basis or projected separately in order to allow for the possible distortion of the development and incidence of these large claims.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017**

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

B Basis of accounting (continued)

(f) Claims provisions and related recoveries (continued)

The amount included in respect of IBNR is based on statistical techniques of estimation applied by the Syndicate's actuaries. These techniques generally involve projecting from past experience of the development of claims over time to form a view of the likely ultimate claims to be experienced for more recent underwriting, having regard to variations in the business accepted and the underlying terms and conditions. For the most recent years, where a high degree of volatility arises from projections, estimates may be based in part on output from rating and other models of the business accepted and assessments of underwriting conditions. Classes of business where claims are typically reported relatively quickly after the claim event tend to display lower levels of volatility.

The provision for claims includes amounts in respect of internal and external claims handling costs.

The reinsurers' share of provisions for claims is based on calculated amounts of outstanding claims and projections for IBNR having regard to the reinsurance programme in place for the class of business and the claims experience for the year. It is net of estimated irrecoverable amounts having regard to the current security rating of the reinsurance companies involved. The Syndicate uses a number of statistical techniques to assist in making the above estimates.

The two most critical assumptions with regards to claims provisions are that the past is a reasonable predictor of the likely level of claims development and that the rating and other models used for current business are fair reflections of the likely level of ultimate claims to be incurred.

Allowance is made, however, for changes or uncertainties which may create distortions in the underlying statistics or which might cause the cost of unsettled claims to increase or reduce when compared with the cost of previously settled claims including:

- changes in Syndicate processes which might accelerate or slow down the development and/or recording of paid or incurred claims compared with the statistics from previous periods;
- changes in the legal environment;
- the effects of inflation;
- changes in the mix of business;
- the impact of large losses; and
- movements in industry benchmarks.

The directors of CUAL consider that the provisions for gross claims and related reinsurance recoveries are fairly stated on the basis of the information currently available to them. However, ultimate liability will vary as a result of subsequent information and events and this may result in significant adjustments to the amounts provided. Adjustments to the amounts of claims provisions established in prior years are reflected in the financial statements for the period in which the adjustments are made. The methods used, and the estimate made, are reviewed regularly.

The Syndicate discounts unpaid loss reserves arising from US Workers' Compensation business.

The payment is considered to have duration of greater than four years from the balance sheet date. The discounting rates and mean estimated terms used for the US Workers' Compensation is 3.75% over 22 years.

	Undiscounted reserves		Discount credit	
	2017	<i>2016</i>	2017	<i>2016</i>
	£	<i>£</i>	£	<i>£</i>
US Workers' Compensation	268,007	<i>296,160</i>	94,743	<i>85,257</i>

The Syndicate utilises tabular reserving for US workers' compensation unpaid losses that are considered fixed and determinable, and discount such losses using an interest rate of 3.75%. The interest rate approximates the implied return on the market-based assets supporting the expected cash-flows of our liabilities. The tabular reserving methodology results in applying uniform and consistent criteria for establishing expected future indemnity and medical payments and the use of mortality tables to determine expected payment periods.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017**

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

B Basis of accounting (continued)

(f) Claims provisions and related recoveries (continued)

Provision is made at the year-end for the estimated cost of claims incurred but not settled at the Balance Sheet date, including the cost of claims incurred but not yet reported to the Syndicate. The estimated cost of claims includes expenses to be incurred in settling claims. The Syndicate takes all reasonable steps to ensure that it has appropriate information regarding its claims exposures. However, given the uncertainty in establishing claims provisions, it is likely that the final outcome will prove to be different from the original liability established. Any differences between provisions and subsequent settlements are dealt with in the general business technical account of later years.

(g) Unexpired risks provision

A provision for unexpired risks is made where claims and related expenses, likely to arise after the end of the financial period in respect of contracts concluded before that date, are expected to exceed the unearned premiums after the deduction of any acquisition costs deferred. The expected claims relate to policies in force at the year-end, having regard to events that occur prior to the balance sheet date.

Unexpired risk surpluses and deficits are offset when business risk classes are managed together and a provision is made only when an aggregate deficit arises.

(h) Financial assets at fair value through the income statement

All financial assets are designated as fair value through the statement of profit or loss upon initial recognition because they are managed and their performance is evaluated on a fair value basis. Purchases and sales are recognised on the trade date, which is the date the group commits to purchase or sell the asset, net of transaction costs. These investments are subsequently carried at fair value.

C Investment return

Investment return comprises all investment income, realised investment gains and losses and movements in unrealised gains and losses, net of investment expenses, charges and interest. Net gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of financial assets are recognised through the statement of profit or loss within 'Unrealised gains on investments' or 'Unrealised losses on investments' in the period in which they arise. Investment return is recorded in the non-technical account within the statement of profit or loss. Dividends on equity securities are recorded as revenue on the ex-dividend date, which includes the imputed tax credits. Interest is recognised on an accruals basis for financial assets at fair value through the Statement of Profit or Loss.

a. Realised gains and losses

Realised gains and losses on investments carried at market value are calculated as the difference between sale proceeds and purchase price.

b. Unrealised gains and losses

Unrealised gains and losses on investments represent the difference between their valuation at the balance sheet date and their purchase price or, where acquired in previous years, their valuation at the last balance sheet date, together with the reversal of unrealised gains and losses recognised in earlier accounting periods in respect of investment disposals in the current period.

c. Investment expenses, charges or interest

There are accounted for as incurred on an accruals basis.

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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

D Foreign currency

Items included in the financial statements are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Syndicate operates (the functional currency). The Syndicate's financial statements are presented in thousands of sterling, which is the Syndicate's functional currency. Foreign currency transactions in US dollars, Canadian dollars, Euros and Australian dollars are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the dates of the transactions or at an appropriate average rate.

With the adoption of FRS 102 and FRS 103, all assets and liabilities arising from insurance contracts should be treated as monetary items. At each period end foreign currency monetary items are re-translated into US dollars at the rate of exchange at the balance sheet date. For this purpose all assets and liabilities arising from insurance contracts (including unearned premiums, deferred acquisition costs and unexpired risks provisions) are monetary items. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction and non-monetary items measured at fair value are measured using the exchange rate when fair value was determined.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the non-technical account.

E Taxation

Under Schedule 19 of the Finance Act 1993 managing agents are not required to deduct income tax from trading income. UK basic rate income tax deducted from Syndicate investment income is recoverable by managing agents and consequently the distribution made to members or their members' agents is gross of tax. Capital appreciation falls within trading income and is also distributed gross of tax. No provision has been made for any United States Federal Income Tax payable on underwriting results or investment earnings. Any payments on account made by the Syndicate during the year have been included in the Statement of Financial Position under the heading "other debtors".

F Investments and Overseas Deposits

Investments and overseas deposits are stated at current value at the balance sheet date. For this purpose listed investments are stated at bid value and deposits with credit institutions are stated at cost. All other financial instruments are designated as at fair value through profit and loss. In line with normal Lloyd's market practice, the Syndicate writes business in certain jurisdictions that require the deposit of cash and investments in locally held trust funds therefore preventing the free transfer of cash between currencies and locations.

G Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market, other than those that the Syndicate has designated at fair value through the statement of profit or loss. Loans and receivables are carried at amortised cost less any impairment losses.

Receivables arising from insurance contracts are also classified in this category and are reviewed for impairment as part of the impairment review of loans and receivables. This basis of valuation is viewed by the directors as having prudent regard to the likely realisable value.

H Financial liabilities

Creditors are recognised initially at fair value, net of directly attributable transaction costs. Creditors are subsequently stated at amortised cost determined according to the effective interest rate method.

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2 RISK MANAGEMENT

Financial risk management objectives

The syndicate is exposed to a range of financial risks through Syndicate 2003's financial assets, insurance liabilities and reinsurance assets. In particular, the key financial risk is that the proceeds from those financial assets are not sufficient to fund the obligations arising from insurance policies as they fall due. The most important components of this financial risk are market risk (including interest rate risk, equity price risk and currency risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The nature of the business underwritten by the syndicate is such that the strategy applied to mitigate those risks is identical to the strategy applied by Syndicate 2003.

These risks arise from open positions in interest rate, currency and equity products, all of which are exposed to general and specific market movements. The risks that the syndicate primarily faces due to the nature of Syndicate 2003's investments and liabilities are interest rate risk, equity price risk and currency risk.

The Syndicate's overall risk management programme focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the syndicate's financial performance. Syndicate 2003, on the syndicate's behalf, manages these positions within a risk management framework ("the framework") that has been developed to ensure that investment proceeds and returns are in excess of obligations under insurance contracts. Syndicate 2003 produces regular reports that are circulated to the management of the Managing Agency. The principal technique of the syndicate's framework is to match assets and liabilities from insurance contracts by reference to the type of benefits payable to contract holders. The framework is also integrated with the management of the financial risks associated with Syndicate 2003's other financial assets and liabilities not directly associated with insurance liabilities.

The notes that follow explain how financial risks are managed using the categories utilised in the syndicate's framework.

(a) Insurance risk

Insurance risk arises from Syndicate 2003's general insurance business and refers to the risk of loss or of adverse change in the value of insurance liabilities due to inadequate pricing and reserving assumptions. Examples of such risks include unexpected losses arising from fluctuations in the timing, frequency and severity of claims compared to expectations and inadequate reinsurance protection. With the syndicate writing one whole account quota share contract with Syndicate 2003, in effect the Syndicate's underwriting and reinsurance strategies are set within the context of the overall CUAL strategies, approved by the Board and communicated clearly throughout the business through policy statements and guidelines.

Capital resource sensitivities

The capital position is sensitive to market conditions due to changes in the value of the assets, and to assumptions and experience in respect of the value of the liabilities. The most significant risks to the Syndicate are as follows:

Event risk

The risk that individual risk losses or catastrophes lead to claims that are higher than anticipated in plans and pricing.

Pricing risk

The risk that the level of expected loss is understated in the pricing process.

Reinsurance risk

Reinsurance risk to the Syndicate occurs where reinsurance contracts put in place to reduce gross insurance risk do not perform as anticipated, prove inadequate in terms of the vertical or horizontal limits purchased or result in coverage disputes.

Cycle risk

The risk that business is written in a soft market without full knowledge as to the adequacy of rates, terms and conditions.

Expense risk

The risk that the allowance for expenses and inflation in pricing is inadequate.

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2 RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) Insurance risk (continued)

Underwriting risks are monitored on the syndicate's behalf by Syndicate 2003. These risks are continually monitored through, for example, the established peer review process, underwriting authority limits imposed, round table review and audits, as well as via exception reporting. Formal price monitoring procedures form part of the standard monthly management information. These contribute to the quarterly actuarial review whereby the loss outcome of the underwriting activity is continually re-assessed and considered by the Reserving actuaries. There is a dedicated Catastrophe and Aggregation management function independent of Underwriting management, whose responsibility is to model aggregate risk and support pricing decisions, providing a key control to the underwriting process.

Syndicate 2003 seeks to maintain a diversified and balanced portfolio of risks in order to reduce the variability of outcomes. Experience shows that the larger the portfolio of similar insurance contracts, the smaller the relative variability about the expected outcome will be. In addition, a more diversified portfolio is less likely to be affected by a change in any subset of the portfolio. This is achieved by accepting a spread of business over time, segmented between different classes of business. Syndicate 2003's Syndicate business forecasts for each class of business reflect this underwriting strategy, and set out the types of business to be written, the geographical regions in which business is to be written and the industry sectors to which the Syndicate is prepared to expose itself. These plans are approved and monitored by management and are submitted to Lloyd's.

Syndicate 2003's management also recognises that insurance events are, by their nature, random, and the actual number and size of events during any one year may vary from those estimated using established statistical techniques. To address this, Syndicate 2003's actuarial team sets out the realistic disaster scenario (RDS) exposure that it is prepared to accept in certain territories to a range of natural and man-made events.

Specific scenarios monitored include:

- Two consecutive Atlantic seaboard windstorms
- Florida windstorm
- Gulf of Mexico windstorm
- European windstorm
- Japanese windstorm
- California earthquake
- New Madrid earthquake
- Japanese earthquake
- UK flood

The current aggregate position is monitored at the time of underwriting a risk, and reports are produced to highlight the key aggregations to which the Syndicate is exposed. Syndicate 2003 uses a number of modelling tools to monitor aggregation and to simulate catastrophe losses in order to measure the effectiveness of its reinsurance programmes. Stress and scenario tests are also run using these models. The greatest likelihood of significant losses to the Syndicate arises from catastrophe events, such as flood damage, windstorm or earthquake. Where possible the Syndicate's underwriting team measures geographic accumulations and uses their knowledge of the business, historical loss behaviour and commercial catastrophe modelling software. The Syndicate regularly models and monitors known accumulations of risks including natural catastrophes, marine, liability and political events. Upon application of the reinsurance coverage purchased, the key gross and net exposures are calculated on the basis of a 1 in 200 year event.

Loss development tables providing information about historical claims development are included in note 9.

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2 RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(b) Market risk

Market risk is the impact arising from the uncertainty of asset prices, interest rates, foreign exchange rates, and other factors related to financial markets and investment asset management.

XL Catlin Group imposes restrictions on the external investment managers' investment strategies. Strict limits, by trust fund, are set for types of assets held, concentration limits and average investment grade ratings. Investments are typically investment grade bonds and investment grade asset backed securities. Guidelines and benchmarks are set annually and approved by the board.

The performance of the investment managers is monitored constantly by XL Catlin Group investment specialists and reported monthly to CUAL management and reviewed quarterly by the CUAL Board of directors. The Syndicate aims to manage exchange rate exposure in US dollar terms and asset and liabilities are duration matched.

Market risk includes:

(i) Interest rate risk

The Syndicate does not hold fixed interest securities, but is indirectly exposed to interest rate risk through the investment return remitted to the syndicate in lieu of the interest income received on the funds withheld by Syndicate 2003.

Syndicate 2003 monitors interest rate risk on a monthly basis by calculating the impact of changes in interest rate on the value of investments and the net present value of liabilities against a risk appetite that has been agreed with the Board.

Syndicate 2003 purchases interest rate swap contracts to manage its interest rate risk.

The sensitivity analysis for interest rate risk illustrates how changes in the fair value of future cash flows of an interest bearing financial asset will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates at the reporting date.

Sensitivity analysis

Changes in interest yields, with all other variables constant, would result in changes in the capital value of debt securities and borrowings as well as subsequent interests receipts and payments. This would affect reported profits and net assets as indicated in the table below:

	Impact on profit after tax		Impact on net assets	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
50 basis points increase	(201)	(151)	(201)	(151)
50 basis points decrease	198	150	198	150

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2 RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)**(b) Market risk (continued)****(ii) Equity price risk**

The Syndicate does not hold equity investments, but is indirectly exposed to equity securities price risk through the investment return remitted to the Syndicate in lieu of the interest income received on the funds withheld by Syndicate 2003.

Syndicate 2003 has a defined investment policy which sets limits on the syndicate's exposure to equities both in aggregate terms and by geography, industry and counterparty. This policy of diversification is used to manage the Syndicate's price risk arising from its investments in equity securities.

Sensitivity analysis

Changes in stock market prices, with all other variables constant, would result in changes in the interest income remitted by Syndicate 2003. This would affect reported profits and net assets as indicated in the table below:

	Impact on profit after tax		Impact on net assets	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
5% increase	60	35	60	35
5% decrease	(60)	(35)	(60)	(35)

(iii) Currency risk

The Syndicate is indirectly exposed to currency risk in respect of insurance liabilities under policies of insurance denominated in currencies other than Pounds Sterling. Due to the funds withheld nature of the whole account quota share contract the syndicate has with Syndicate 2003, this risk is managed by the Board of CUAL.

The Syndicate is primarily exposed to currency risk in respect of Syndicate 2003's liabilities under policies of insurance denominated in currencies other than Pounds Sterling. The most significant currencies to which the syndicate is exposed are US Dollars, Canadian Dollar and Euro.. The Syndicate seeks to mitigate the risk by matching the estimated foreign currency denominated liabilities with assets denominated in the same currency.

2017

	GBP	USD	EUR	CAD	TOTAL
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Reinsurers' share of technical provisions	2,696	2,769	402	338	6,205
Insurance and Reinsurance receivables	5,792	26,595	3,419	2,397	38,203
Other assets	271	1,797	224	153	2,445
Total assets	<u>8,759</u>	<u>31,161</u>	<u>4,045</u>	<u>2,888</u>	<u>46,853</u>
Technical provisions	(4,937)	(25,544)	(2,977)	(2,575)	(36,033)
Insurance and reinsurance payables	(2,854)	(6,802)	(492)	(303)	(10,451)
Other creditors	(1,071)	(470)	(5)	16	(1,530)
Total Liabilities	<u>(8,862)</u>	<u>(32,816)</u>	<u>(3,474)</u>	<u>(2,862)</u>	<u>(48,014)</u>

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2 RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)**(b) Market risk (continued)****(iii) Currency risk (continued)**

2016

	<i>GBP</i> £000's	<i>USD</i> £000's	<i>EUR</i> £000's	<i>CAD</i> £000's	<i>TOTAL</i> £000's
Reinsurers' share of technical provisions	335	2,833	325	347	3,840
Insurance and Reinsurance receivables	4,380	29,823	2,669	2,236	39,108
Other assets	507	3,367	318	301	4,493
Total assets	5,222	36,023	3,312	2,884	47,441
Technical provisions	(28,232)	(3,722)	(2,610)	(2,831)	(37,395)
Insurance and reinsurance payables	(510)	(7,380)	(354)	(277)	(8,521)
Other creditors	(1,107)	(584)	(8)	(6)	(1,705)
Total Liabilities	(29,849)	(11,686)	(2,972)	(3,114)	(47,621)

Sensitivity analysis

Fluctuations in the Syndicate's trading currencies against the Sterling would result in a change to profit after tax and net assets value.

The table below gives an indication of the impact on profit after tax and net assets of a percentage change in the relative strength of the Pound sterling against the value of Euros, the Canadian dollar and the US dollar, simultaneously. The analysis is based on current information.

	Impact on profit after tax		Impact on net assets	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Changes to Euro, Canadian dollar and US dollar relative to Pounds sterling	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
GBP weakens 20% against other currencies	(273)	11	(264)	(30)
GBP weakens 10% against other currencies	(121)	6	(117)	(16)
GBP strengthens 10% against other currencies	99	(7)	96	20
GBP strengthens 20% against other currencies	182	(16)	176	45

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2 RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(c) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty will be unable to pay amounts in full when due. Syndicate 6121 is indirectly sensitive to the credit risk managed by Syndicate 2003.

The table below provides information on the credit quality of financial assets of the Syndicate that are neither past due nor impaired:

2017	AAA	AA	A	BBB or below	Not rated	Total
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Reinsurance debtors						—
Reinsurers' share of claims outstanding	—	—	5,565	6	34	5,605
Total	—	—	5,565	6	34	5,605

2016	AAA	AA	A	BBB or below	Not rated	Total
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Reinsurance debtors	—	361	—	—	—	361
Reinsurers' share of claims outstanding	—	—	1,723	2	160	1,885
Total	—	361	1,723	2	160	2,246

The Syndicate has no reinsurance debtors that are past due but not considered to be impaired. The Syndicate does not currently hold any impaired assets (2016: *no impaired assets held*).

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2 RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(d) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that cash may not be available to pay obligations when due at a reasonable cost. The primary liquidity risk of the Syndicate is the obligation to pay claims as they fall due. The projected settlement of these liabilities is modelled, on a regular basis, using actuarial techniques. Due to the funds withheld nature of the contract the Syndicate underwrites, this risk is borne by Syndicate 2003. The Syndicate is therefore indirectly sensitive to the liquidity risk in Syndicate 2003.

The following tables analyse financial liabilities by maturity date:

2017	No contractual maturity date	Less than one year on demand	Between 1 and 3 years	Between 3 and 5 years	Over 5 years	Total
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Other Creditors	—	5,290	6,638	—	—	11,928
Claims outstanding	—	14,921	18,724	—	—	33,645
Financial liabilities	—	20,211	25,362	—	—	45,573

2016	No contractual maturity date	Less than one year on demand	Between 1 and 3 years	Between 3 and 5 years	Over 5 years	Total
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Other Creditors	—	—	10,070	—	—	10,070
Claims outstanding	—	—	23,491	—	—	23,491
Financial liabilities	—	—	33,561	—	—	33,561

The nature of insurance is that the requirements of funding cannot be predicted with absolute certainty and therefore the theory of probability is applied on insurance contracts to ascertain the likely provision and the time period when such liabilities will require settlement.

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3 MANAGEMENT OF CAPITAL

(a) Capital Framework at Lloyd's

The Society of Lloyd's (Lloyd's) is a regulated undertaking and subject to the supervision of the Prudential Regulatory Authority (PRA) under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and in accordance with Solvency II legislation.

Within this supervisory framework, Lloyd's applies capital requirements at member level and centrally to ensure that Lloyd's complies with Solvency II, and beyond that to meet its own financial strength, licence and ratings objectives.

Although, as described below, Lloyd's capital setting processes use a capital requirement set at Syndicate level as a starting point, the requirement to meet Solvency II and Lloyd's capital requirements applies at overall and member level respectively, not at Syndicate level. Accordingly the capital requirement in respect of Syndicate 6121 is not disclosed in these financial statements. See note 15 for details of the Syndicate's FAL and FIS requirements.

(b) Lloyd's Capital Setting Process

In order to meet Lloyd's requirements, each Syndicate is required to calculate its Solvency Capital Requirement (SCR) for the prospective underwriting year. This amount must be sufficient to cover a 1 in 200 year loss, reflecting uncertainty in the ultimate run-off of underwriting liabilities (SCR 'to ultimate'). The Syndicate must also calculate its SCR at the same confidence level but reflecting uncertainty over a one year time horizon (one year SCR) for Lloyd's to use in meeting Solvency II requirements. The SCRs of each Syndicate are subject to review by Lloyd's and approval by the Lloyd's Capital and Planning Group.

A Syndicate may be comprised of one or more underwriting members of Lloyd's. Each member is liable for its own share of underwriting liabilities on the Syndicate(s) on which it participates but not other members' shares. Accordingly, the capital requirement that Lloyd's sets for each member operates on a similar basis. Each member's SCR shall thus be determined by the sum of the member's share of the Syndicate SCR 'to ultimate'. Where a member participates on more than one Syndicate, a credit for diversification is provided to reflect the spread of risk, but consistent with determining an SCR which reflects the capital requirement to cover a 1 in 200 year loss 'to ultimate' for that member. Over and above this, Lloyd's applies a capital uplift to the member's capital requirement, known as the Economic Capital Assessment (ECA). The purpose of this uplift, which is a Lloyd's not a Solvency II requirement, is to meet Lloyd's financial strength, licence and ratings objectives.

(c) Provision of capital by members

Each member may provide capital to meet its ECA either by assets held in trust by Lloyd's specifically for that member (Funds at Lloyd's), held within and managed within a Syndicate (Funds in Syndicate) or as the member's share of the members' balances on each Syndicate on which it participates.

Resources available to meet members' and Lloyd's capital requirements are separately identified in the Statement of Changes in Member's Balances.

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4 SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS

Gross premiums written, gross premiums earned, gross claims incurred, gross operating expenses and the reinsurance balances by class of business are as follows:

2017						
Reinsurance	Gross Premiums Written	Gross Premiums Earned	Gross Claims Incurred	Gross Operating Expenses	Reinsurance Balance	Total
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Fire and other damage to property	1,875	6,160	(5,849)	(2,184)	143	(1,730)
Accident and health	2,634	5,615	(3,212)	(1,796)	(70)	537
Marine, aviation and transport	353	3,892	(2,870)	(1,012)	(311)	(301)
Motor (third party liability)	14	40	(94)	(8)	1	(61)
Total	4,876	15,707	(12,025)	(5,000)	(237)	(1,555)
2016						
Reinsurance	Gross Premiums Written	Gross Premiums Earned	Gross Claims Incurred	Gross Operating Expenses	Reinsurance Balance	Total
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Fire and other damage to property	12,579	12,239	(7,257)	(4,473)	(895)	(386)
Accident and Health	5,593	5,574	(3,412)	(2,050)	(331)	(219)
Marine, aviation and transport	7,367	6,498	(3,550)	(1,807)	(614)	527
Motor (third party liability)	563	536	(317)	(271)	(28)	(80)
Total	26,102	24,847	(14,536)	(8,601)	(1,868)	(158)

The reinsurance balance represents the charge to the technical account from the aggregate of all items relating to outwards reinsurance.

The Lloyd's insurance market has been treated as one geographical segment. All business is signed and concluded in the UK.

All gross premiums written originate in the United Kingdom.

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5 MOVEMENT IN PRIOR YEAR'S PROVISION FOR CLAIMS OUTSTANDING

An unfavorable run-off deviation (prior accident years' increase) of £1.1m was experienced during the year, wholly in respect of reserve movements on the 2015 year of account Whole Account Quota Share contract with Syndicate 2003.

6 EMPLOYEES & DIRECTORS

The Syndicate and its managing agent have no employees (2016: *nil*).

The Syndicate did not directly incur staff costs during the year (2016: *£nil*).

The Syndicate was not recharged any expenses during the year relating to the remuneration of the directors of CUAL (2016: *£nil*).

Under the standard managing agent's agreement, Catlin Underwriting Agencies Limited receives an annual fee for services provided.

7 NET OPERATING EXPENSES

	2017 £000's	2016 £000's
Acquisition costs	2,780	7,984
Change in deferred acquisition costs	2,206	(197)
	<u>4,986</u>	<u>7,787</u>
Administration expenses	14	814
Reinsurance commissions and profit participation	(161)	(174)
	<u>4,839</u>	<u>8,427</u>

Administrative expenses include:

	2017 £000's	2016 £000's
<i>Audit Services:</i>		
Fees payable to the Syndicate's auditor for the audit of the Syndicate's accounts	52	52
<i>Non-audit Services:</i>		
Fees payable to the Syndicate's auditor for other services:		
Other services pursuant to legislation, including the audit of the regulatory return	17	13
	<u>69</u>	<u>65</u>

This is the auditors' remuneration attributable to the Syndicate, the cost of which is borne through another company in the XL group.

8 OTHER INCOME

	2017 £000's	2016 £000's
Income on funds withheld balance	<u>422</u>	<u>288</u>

Other income represents interest on funds withheld balances on the Whole Account Quota Share agreement with Syndicate 2003.

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9 INSURANCE LIABILITIES AND REINSURANCE ASSETS

	Provision for unearned premium	Claims Outstanding
	£000's	£000's
2017		
Gross Technical Provisions		
As at 1 January 2017	13,905	23,491
Movement in the provision	(10,831)	12,025
Foreign exchange movements	(686)	(1,871)
As at 31 December 2017	<u>2,388</u>	<u>33,645</u>
Reinsurers' share of technical provisions		
As at 1 January 2017	1,955	1,884
Movement in the provision	(1,259)	1,216
Paid claims adjustment	—	2,322
Foreign exchange movements	(96)	183
As at 31 December 2017	<u>600</u>	<u>5,605</u>
Net technical provisions		
As at 1 January 2017	11,950	21,607
As at 31 December 2017	<u>1,788</u>	<u>28,040</u>
<i>2016</i>	<i>Provision for unearned premium</i>	<i>Claims Outstanding</i>
	<i>£000's</i>	<i>£000's</i>
Gross Technical Provisions		
As at 1 January 2016	10,235	5,926
Movement in the provision	1,254	14,536
Foreign exchange movements	2,416	3,029
As at 31 December 2016	<u>13,905</u>	<u>23,491</u>
Reinsurers' share of technical provisions		
As at 1 January 2016	1,593	457
Movement in the provision	(99)	1,449
Foreign exchange movements	461	(22)
As at 31 December 2016	<u>1,955</u>	<u>1,884</u>
Net technical provisions		
As at 1 January 2016	8,642	5,469
As at 31 December 2016	<u>11,950</u>	<u>21,607</u>

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10 CLAIMS DEVELOPMENT TRIANGLES

To illustrate the robustness of our reserves, the loss development tables below provide information about historical claims development by the pure underwriting year.

Gross claims development

	2016 £000's	2017 £000's	Total £000's
12 months	6,543	8,411	
24 months	13,873	18,908	
36 months	14,737		
Estimate total losses	14,737	18,908	33,645
Paid claims	—	—	—
Gross reserves	14,737	18,908	33,645

Net claims development

	2016 £000's	2017 £000's	Total £000's
12 months	6,002	7,546	
24 months	12,578	15,953	
36 months	12,087		
Estimate net total losses	12,087	15,953	28,040
Paid claims	—	—	—
Net reserves	12,087	15,953	28,040

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11 DEBTORS ARISING OUT OF REINSURANCE OPERATIONS

	2017	<i>2016</i>
	£000's	<i>£000's</i>
Due within one year	18,459	—
Due after one year	19,744	<i>39,108</i>
	<u>38,203</u>	<i><u>39,108</u></i>

12 OTHER DEBTORS:
Amounts falling due within one year

	2017	<i>2016</i>
	£000's	<i>£000's</i>
Investment income receivable	<u>435</u>	<i><u>—</u></i>

13 OTHER DEBTORS:
Amounts falling due after one year

	2017	<i>2016</i>
	£000's	<i>£000's</i>
Investment income receivable	<u>288</u>	<i><u>333</u></i>

14 DEFERRED ACQUISITION COSTS

	2017	<i>2016</i>
	£000's	<i>£000's</i>
On insurance contracts	<u>1,722</u>	<i><u>4,161</u></i>

The reconciliation of opening and closing deferred acquisition costs is as follows:

	2017	<i>2016</i>
	£000's	<i>£000's</i>
At 1 January	4,161	<i>3,225</i>
Expenses for the acquisition of contracts deferred during the year	(2,206)	<i>197</i>
Foreign exchange movement	(233)	<i>739</i>
At 31 December	<u>1,722</u>	<i><u>4,161</u></i>

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15 CREDITORS ARISING OUT OF REINSURANCE OPERATIONS

	2017 £000's	2016 £000's
Due within one year	5,717	—
Due after one year	4,734	8,522
	<u>10,451</u>	<u>8,522</u>

16 OTHER CREDITORS:
Amounts falling due within one year

	2017 £000's	2016 £000's
Expenses payable	715	—
Profit commission payable	57	—
	<u>772</u>	<u>—</u>

17 OTHER CREDITORS:
Amounts falling due after one year

	2017 £000's	2016 £000's
Expenses payable	705	1,422
Profit commission payable	—	126
	<u>705</u>	<u>1,548</u>

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18 FUNDS AT LLOYD'S

Every member is required to hold capital at Lloyd's which is held in trust and known as Funds at Lloyd's (FAL). These funds are intended primarily to cover circumstances where Syndicate assets prove insufficient to meet participating members' underwriting liabilities.

Since FAL is not under the management of the managing agent, no amount has been shown in these financial statements by way of such capital resources. However, the managing agent is able to make a call on the members' FAL to meet liquidity requirements or to settle losses.

19 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Catlin Underwriting Agencies Limited ("CUAL") is the managing agent for Syndicate 6121. Under the standard managing agent's agreement, CUAL receives an annual fee of 1% of stamp capacity and profit commissions at 20%. Profit commissions are not recognised until the second year of development for each year of account. In 2017 managing agency fees amounted to £0.02m (2016: £0.2m) and profit commissions amounted to £0.1m (2016: nil). The balance due to CUAL as at 31 December 2017 was £0.6m (2016: £0.5m).

Catlin Syndicate 6121 Limited is the sole member of Syndicate 6121 for 2015 and subsequent years of account.

The XL Catlin Group wholly owns a number of cover holders which underwrite on behalf of Syndicate 2003 and these are listed below:

Catlin Canada Inc	Catlin Brasil Servicos Tecnicos Ltda
Catlin Insurance Company Inc US	Catlin Australia Pty Limited
Catlin Specialty Insurance Company	Catlin Singapore Pte Limited
Catlin Insurance Services Inc	Catlin Lauban Limited
Catlin Underwriting Inc	Catlin (BB) Ltd
Catlin France SAS	Catlin Ecosse Insurance Limited
Catlin Schweiz AG	Catlin Risk Solutions Limited
Catlin Hong Kong Limited	Catlin Re Switzerland Ltd
Catlin Guernsey Limited	Catlin Europe SE
Catlin Middle East Limited	

Syndicate 6121 provides whole account quota share to Syndicate 2003.

20 ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING

Catlin Insurance Company Ltd, a company registered in Bermuda, is the parent undertaking of the smallest group to consolidate the financial statements of Catlin Syndicate Limited. Copies of the Catlin Insurance Company Ltd consolidated financial statements can be obtained from The Secretary, Catlin Insurance Company Ltd, O'Hara House, One Bermudiana Road, Hamilton, Bermuda HM08.

The ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is XL Group Ltd, a company registered in Bermuda, which is the parent undertaking of the largest group to consolidate the financial statements of Catlin Syndicate Limited. Copies of the XL Group Ltd consolidated financial statements can be obtained from 20 Gracechurch Street, London, EC3V 0BG.