

(Registration Number 2021/926046/06) Annual Separate Financial Statements for the year ended 31 July 2023

These annual separate financial statements were compiled by: The Office in Stellenbosch Proprietary Limited Chartered Accountants (SA)

These annual separate financial statements have been audited in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Companies Act, 71 of 2008.

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### **General Information**

Country of Incorporation and Domicile	South Africa
Registration Number	2021/926046/06
Nature of Business and Principal Activities	The company performs investment activities.
Directors	YL Labuschagne T Masiela MM Nieuwoudt D Kennon CP van Heerden O Kolbe
Shareholders	Gaia Fund Managers Proprietary Limited Fibonacci Holdings Proprietary Limited
Registered Office	12 Meson Close Techno Park Stellenbosch 7600
Business Address	Workshop 17 Snakepit Building 146 Campground Road Newlands Cape Town 7700
Postal Address	PO Box 12700 Die Boord Stellenbosch 7613
Bankers	Investec Limited
Tax number	9490289205
Level of Assurance	These annual separate financial statements have been audited in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Companies Act, 71 of 2008.
Auditors	PKF Cape Town 14 Papegaai Street Stellenbosch 7600

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### **General Information**

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Preparer	The Office in Stellenbosch Proprietary Limited 8 Helderberg Street Stellenbosch Central Stellenbosch 7600
Legal Advisors	White & Case LLP
Issued	31 October 2023
ISIN	Preference A shares: (ISIN: ZAE400000135) Preference B shares: (ISIN: ZAE400000150) Ordinary shares: (ISIN: ZAE400000127)
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### Report of the Audit and Risk Committee

#### 1. Introduction

The Audit and Risk Committee ("the Committee") is pleased to present its report for the financial year ended 31 July 2023 (FY23). The Committee is an independent statutory committee appointed by shareholders. This report considers the statutory and delegated duties in terms of the Companies Act, 71 of 2008 as well as the Committee's responsibilities in terms of the Cape Town Stock Exchange Requirements. It also addresses some of the matters that the King IV Code on Corporate Governance ("King IV") advises should be considered by the Committee. In addition to its statutory responsibilities this Committee also assists the Board through advising and making submissions on financial reporting, oversight of the risk management process and internal financial controls, external audit functions and statutory and regulatory compliance of the company. This Committee also dealt with duties delegated in terms of risk management.

#### 2. Membership of the Committee and attendance at Committee meetings

The Committee comprised the following members for the year under review:

Committee members Riaan van Heerden (Chairperson) Thabiso Masiela Yvette Labuschagne

The board of the Company are standing invitees. The Committee comprises only Independent Non-Executive Directors. Shareholders will be requested to approve the appointment of the members of the Committee for the 2024 financial year at the Annual General Meeting scheduled for 13 December 2023.

The committee is satisfied that the members thereof have the required knowledge and experience as set out in Section 94(5) of the Companies Act, 71 of 2008 (the "Act") and Regulation 42 of the Companies Regulation 2011.

#### 3. Roles and responsibilities of the committee

The Committee is governed by formal terms of reference that are reviewed and updated annually, as necessary. These terms of reference guide the Committee in terms of its objectives, authority and responsibilities, both statutory and those assigned by the Board. The Committee has an independent role with accountability to both the Board and to shareholders. The Committee's roles and responsibilities include statutory and regulatory duties as per the Companies Act, 71 of 2008, the Cape Town Stock Exchange Requirements, those items recommended in the interest of good governance according to King IV as well as additional responsibilities assigned by the Board. The effectiveness of the Committee is assessed as part of the annual Board and Committee self-evaluation process.

The responsibilities of the Committee include, but are not limited to:

- review and approve for recommendation to and approval by the Board, interim reports, the annual report, the annual separate financial statements, accounting policies for the Company, and any other announcement regarding the results or other financial information to be made public;
- ensure that the annual separate financial statements and the annual integrated report comply with all statutory and regulatory requirements;
- ensure that all financial information contained in any submissions to the Board is suitable for inclusion in the annual separate financial statements in respect of any reporting period;
- assess annually the appointment of the external auditor and confirm its independence, recommend its appointment to the AGM and approve its fees;

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- address the external auditor's findings and recommendations;
- report on the risk management process and assesses the Company's exposure to the top strategic risks;
- monitoring of compliance effectiveness within the Company;
- perform duties that are attributed to it by its mandate from the Board, the Companies Act, 71 of 2008, the Cape Town Stock Exchange Requirements, King IV and other regulatory requirements;
- review processes and procedures to ensure the effectiveness of internal systems of control including information and technology.

#### 4. Activities of the committee

The Committee fulfilled its responsibilities during the 2023 financial year. The Committee is satisfied that it has conducted its affairs in accordance with its terms of reference and has discharged its responsibilities. During the financial year under review, the Committee executed the following matters:

#### **Reporting**

- considered and agreed with the adoption of the going-concern premise in the preparation of the annual separate financial statements;
- reviewed the appropriateness of the annual separate financial statements, other reports to shareholders and other financial announcements made public;
- considered whether the annual separate financial statements fairly present the financial position of the Company as at 31 July 2023 and the results of operations and cash flows for the financial year then ended;
- considered the solvency and liquidity of the Company;
- considered accounting treatments, the appropriateness of accounting policies adopted and the effectiveness of the entity's disclosure controls and procedures;
- considered whether any concerns were identified regarding significant legal, tax and other matters that could have a material impact on the annual separate financial statements;
- reviewed the external auditor's audit report;
- considered and noted the key audit matters as determined by the external auditor;
- reviewed the representation letter, signed by management;
- reviewed the quality and integrity of the annual report and the sustainability information before publication;
- The Committee spent time understanding the valuation methodology and various input factors and judgements applied and challenged these where necessary. The committee is satisfied that the valuation of investments performed fairly reflect the fair value of the investments of the Company.

#### External audit

The Audit and Risk Committee nominated PKF Cape Town as the external auditor for the Company for the financial year ended 31 July 2023 and their appointment complies with the Companies Act, 71 of 2008 and all other applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

Taking into consideration the criteria specified for independence by the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors and international regulatory bodies, PKF Cape Town confirmed in an annual written statement that their independence has not been impaired.

The Audit and Risk Committee was assured that no member of the external audit team was hired by the Company or any other company within the group in a financial reporting oversight role during the year under review.

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The auditor's independence was not impaired by any consultancy, advisory or other work undertaken by them for the Company or any previous appointment as auditor of the Company or any other company within the group.

The auditor does not, except as external auditor, or in rendering of permitted non-audit services, receive any direct or indirect remuneration or other benefit from the Company or any other company within the group.

The Audit and Risk Committee reviewed and approved the external audit plan, the budgeted and final fee for the reporting period and the terms of engagement of the external auditors; and pre-approved all audit and permissible non-audit services that PKF Cape Town provides.

PKF Cape Town have been the external auditors of the Company for the year and Pieter Louw van Der Ahee has been the designated auditor for this year.

It was confirmed that no unresolved issues of concern exist between the Company and the external auditors.

#### Internal financial and accounting controls

The Audit and Risk Committee is responsible for reporting on the Company's systems of internal, financial, and accounting controls. The Office in Stellenbosch Proprietary Limited ("OS") provided accounting services to the Company for the year under review. The committee is satisfied with the independence of ORS and the quality of the accounting work provided by them during the year under review. The Committee has accordingly considered the management report from the external audit on such matters and is satisfied that the report confirms the adequacy and effectiveness of the systems of internal control and that there were no material breakdowns in the internal control during the financial year.

#### Risk management and compliance

The Board has responsibility for the oversight of risk management, part of which it may delegate to the Audit and Risk Committee. The Board sets the tone and influences the culture of risk management within the organisation, including ensuring that integrated risk management and internal control systems are implemented.

The Audit and Risk Committee is appointed by the Board to assist in carrying out its responsibilities in relation to risk management and is responsible for overseeing the development, implementation and annual review of a Risk Policy and the process of risk management and ensuring that compliance forms an integral part of Gaia's risk management process.

Gaia Fund Managers Proprietary Limited is responsible for day-to-day risk management including identifying and evaluating the significant risks faced by the Company; implementing an effective risk management process, including the identification, analysis, and evaluation of risks specific to their area of responsibility; and setting the tone and influence of the culture of risk management.

The Committee is obliged to report any material breach of a relevant legal and/or regulatory requirement in the conduct of the Company. No evidence or indication of any such breach or material non-compliance has been brought to the attention of the Committee by the external auditors or any other party.

#### Comments on key audit matters, addressed by PKF Cape Town in its external auditor's report

The external auditors have reported on two key audit matters in respect of their 2023 audit being:

- valuation of investments in subsidiaries GF Property SPV 1 (RF) Proprietary Limited and GF Property SPV 2 (RF) Proprietary Limited; and
- the valuation of other financial liability Class A and Class B Preference shares.

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Both of these key audit matters related to material annual separate financial statements line items and require judgement and estimates to be applied by management. The committee assessed the methodology, assumptions and judgements applied by management in dealing with each of the key audit matters. Furthermore, the committee discussed the key audit matters with the external auditors to understand their related audit processes and views. Following our assessment, we were comfortable with the conclusions reached by management and the external auditors.

#### 5. Conclusion

The Audit and Risk Committee is satisfied that it has complied with all its legal, regulatory and other responsibilities for the year under review. Following the audit of the annual separate financial statements, the Audit and Risk Committee recommended Board approval thereof.

On behalf of the Audit and Risk Committee

Riaan van Heerden Audit and Risk Committee Chairperson

31 October 2023

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### **Directors' Responsibilities and Approval**

The directors are required by the Companies Act, 71 of 2008 to maintain adequate accounting records and are responsible for the content and integrity of the annual separate financial statements and related financial information included in this report. It is their responsibility to ensure that the annual separate financial statements satisfy the financial reporting standards with regards to form and content and present fairly the statement of financial position, results of operations and business of the company, and explain the transactions and financial position of the business of the company at the end of the financial year. The external auditors are engaged to express an independent opinion on the separate financial statements.

The annual separate financial statements are presented in terms of the International Financial Reporting Standards and are based upon appropriate accounting policies consistently applied throughout the company and supported by reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates.

The directors acknowledge that they are ultimately responsible for the system of internal financial control established by the company and place considerable importance on maintaining a strong control environment. To enable the directors to meet these responsibilities, the directors set standards for internal control aimed at reducing the risk of error or loss in a cost effective manner. The standards include the proper delegation of responsibilities within a clearly defined framework, effective accounting procedures and adequate segregation of duties to ensure an acceptable level of risk. These controls are monitored throughout the company and all employees are required to maintain the highest ethical standards in ensuring the company business is conducted in a manner that in all reasonable circumstances is above reproach.

The focus of risk management in the company is on identifying, assessing, managing and monitoring all known forms of risk across the company. While operating risk cannot be fully eliminated, the company endeavours to minimise it by ensuring that appropriate infrastructure, controls, systems and ethical behaviour are applied and managed within predetermined procedures and constraints.

The directors are of the opinion, based on the information and explanations given by management, that the system of internal control provides reasonable assurance that the financial records may be relied on for the preparation of the annual separate financial statements. However, any system of internal financial control can provide only reasonable, and not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss. The going-concern basis has been adopted in preparing the annual separate financial statements. Based on forecasts and available cash resources the directors have no reason to believe that the company will not be a going concern in the foreseeable future. The annual separate financial statements support the viability of the company.

The external auditors are responsible for independently auditing and reporting on the company separate financial statements. The separate financial statements have been examined by the external auditors and their unqualified audit report is presented on pages 13 to 15.

The annual separate financial statements set out on pages 4 to 45 which have been prepared on the going concern basis, were approved by the directors and were signed on 31 October 2023 on their behalf by:

Denzil Kennon

T Masiela

D Kennon

Place of signature Date of signature Cape Town 31 October 2023

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### **Certificate by the Company Secretary**

In terms of section 88(2)(e) of the Companies Act, 71 of 2008, I certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, Gaia Fibonacci Fibre REIT 1 Limited has lodged all returns required in terms of the Companies Act, 71 of 2008, with the Registrar of Companies for the financial year ended 31 July 2023 and that the returns are true, correct and up to date.

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The Office in Stellenbosch Proprietary Limited Per: Ilzemarie Knoetze Company Secretary 31 October 2023

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### **Directors' Report**

The directors submit their report on the annual separate financial statements of Gaia Fibonacci Fibre REIT 1 Limited for the year ended 31 July 2023.

#### 1. Incorporation

The company was incorporated on 7 October 2021 and obtained its certificate to commence business on the same day.

#### 2. Review of financial results and activities

#### Main business and operations

Gaia Fibonacci Fibre REIT 1 Limited was incorporated in South Africa. The company performs investments activities. The company operates in South Africa.

#### **Review of Financial Results & Activities.**

The company generated a loss after tax for the year ended 31 July 2023 of R358,104 (2022: profit of R16,145,451).

The annual separate financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act, 71 of 2008.

Company cash flows from operating activities amounted to an outflow of R402,217 (2022 outflow: R64,993) for the year ended 31 July 2023. Full details of the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the company are set out in these annual separate financial statements.

#### 3. Authorised and issued share capital

Refer to note 6 of the annual separate financial statements for detail of the movement in authorised and issued stated capital.

#### 4. Dividends

An interim dividend of R0.00317 per Ordinary share was approved and an interim dividend of R271.81 per Class A Preference Share were approved by the directors on 31 October 2022 in South Africa currency. Dividends were paid on 28 November 2022 to shareholders registered in the company's register at the close of business on the declaration date.

An interim dividend of R0.00058 (2022: R0.00115) per Ordinary share was approved and an interim dividend of R52.29 (2022: R103.53) per Class A Preference Share were approved by the directors on 11 November 2022 in South Africa currency. A final dividend of R0.00286 per Ordinary share was approved and a final dividend of R56.53 per Class A Preference Share and R219.99 per Class B Preference Share were approved by the directors on 26 May 2023 in South Africa currency. Dividends were paid on 28 November 2022 and 12 June 2023, respectively, to shareholders registered in the company's register at the close of business on the respective declaration date(s).

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### **Directors' Report**

#### 5. Directors

The directors of the company during the y	year and up to the date of this report are a	as follows:
Directors	Designation	Changes
D Kennon	Executive Director	
YL Labuschagne	Independent Non-Executive Director	
T Masiela (Chairman)	Independent Non-Executive Director	
MM Nieuwoudt	Executive Director	
MCS Nell	Executive Director	Resigned 31 July 2023
CP van Heerden	Independent Non-Executive Director	
O Kolbe	Independent Non-Executive Director	Appointed 31 July 2023

#### 6. Events after reporting date

The directors are not aware of any matter or circumstance arising since the end of the financial year to the date of this report that could have a material effect on the financial position of the company.

#### 7. Going concern

The annual separate financial statements have been prepared on the basis of accounting policies applicable to a going concern. This basis presumes that funds will be available to finance future operations and that the realisation of assets and settlement of liabilities, contingent obligations and commitments will occur in the ordinary course of business.

The directors believe that the company has adequate financial resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future and accordingly the annual separate financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The directors have satisfied themselves that the company is in a sound financial position and that it has access to sufficient borrowing facilities to meet its foreseeable cash requirements. The directors are not aware of any new material changes that may adversely impact the company.

The directors are also not aware of any material non-compliance with statutory or regulatory requirements or of any pending changes to legislation which may affect the company.

#### 8. Secretary

The company designated secretary is Ilzemarie Knoetze (The Office in Stellenbosch Proprietary Limited).

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#### **Business address**

8 Helderberg Street Stellenbosch Central Stellenbosch 7600

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### **Directors' Report**

#### 9. Shareholders

There have been no changes in ownership during the current financial year.

The ordinary shareholders and their interests at the end of the year are:

	Holding
Gaia Fund Managers Proprietary Limited	50.01%
Fibonacci Holdings Proprietary Limited	49.99%

#### 10. Interest in subsidiaries

The company holds 100% interest in GF Property SPV 1 (RF) Proprietary Limited, GF Property SPV 2 (RF) Proprietary Limited and GF Property SPV 3 (RF) Proprietary Limited during the year under review. Details of the company's interests in subsidiaries are presented in the annual separate financial statements in note 3.

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#### 11. Liquidity and solvency

The directors have performed the liquidity and solvency tests as required by the Companies Act, 71 of 2008.

#### 12. Independent Auditors

PKF Cape Town were appointed as auditors for the company for the financial year 2023, in accordance with section 90(6) of the Companies Act, 71 of 2008.

#### 13. Consolidation of Financial Statements

The company did not prepare consolidated financial statements since it is an investment entity. Refer to accounting policy 1.2 of the annual separate financial statements for further details on the consolidation exemption.

#### 14. Significant transactions during the year

On 19 August 2022 the company concluded a specific issuance of B Preference shares for an aggregate subscription of R111,243,027 which was immediately used to purchase additional shares in the subsidiary GF Property SPV 2 (RF) Proprietary Limited.

The additional funding was reserved for further investments into fibre networks and concluded during the 2023 financial year.



### **Independent Auditor's Report**

#### To the Shareholders of Gaia Fibonacci Fibre REIT 1 Limited

#### Report on the Audit of the Separate Financial Statements

#### Opinion

We have audited the separate financial statements of Gaia Fibonacci Fibre REIT 1 Limited set out on pages 17 to 45, which comprise the separate statement of financial position as at 31 July 2023, separate statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, separate statement of changes in equity and separate statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the separate financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the separate financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the separate financial position of Gaia Fibonacci Fibre REIT 1 Limited as at 31 July 2023, and its separate financial performance and separate cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act 71 of 2008.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Separate Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the company in accordance with the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors' Code of Professional Conduct for Registered Auditors (IRBA Code) and other independence requirements applicable to performing audits of financial statements in South Africa. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IRBA Code and in accordance with other ethical requirements applicable to performing audits in South Africa. The IRBA Code is consistent with the corresponding sections of the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards). We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the separate financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the separate financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. For the matter below, our description of how our audit addressed the matter is provided in that context.

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
The investments in subsidiaries and the other financial liabilities are measured at fair value through profit and loss and significant judgement and assumptions are exercised by management in determining the fair values. We consider these judgements and assumptions to be a key audit matter due to both balances being material and the high estimation uncertainty involved in determining the respective fair values. The valuation of these assets and liabilities are based on the discounted future dividend cash flows from the underlying investments and cash available to settle the liabilities. There are estimations involved in the forecasting of the future cash flows, the discount rate used and the annual inflation rate. The future cash flows are highly dependent on the revenue of the underlying investments which is based on the uptake rate of the fibre networks for the remaining investment	<ul> <li>We held discussions with management to obtain an understanding of the process applied in terms of determining the fair value of the investment in subsidiaries and the other financial liabilities.</li> <li>We performed the following procedures: <ul> <li>Evaluated Gaia Fibonacci Fibre REIT 1's fair value calculations and the principles and integrity of the dividend discount models.</li> <li>Tested the inputs used in the cash flow forecast for reliability and accuracy.</li> <li>Evaluated the cash flow forecasts for this year of operation by comparing it to the actual realised</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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period. Therefore, the forecast of the cash flows is a significant assumption impacting the valuation of the investments in subsidiaries and the other financial liabilities.	cash flows to determine the accuracy and reasonableness of management forecasts.
Refer to Note 3, Investments in subsidiaries, and Note 7, Other financial liabilities, on how the key audit matter was identified in the valuation of these financial instruments.	<ul> <li>Tested the reasonability of management's assumptions of the CPI Index, uptake rates of the fibre networks and line speed demographics for the long-term outlook over the remaining investment period.</li> </ul>
	• Tested the reasonability of the overall discount rate and recalculated the discount rate.
	• Re-computed the fair values.
	Based on the results of the above procedures, we consider the carrying value and disclosure of the investments in subsidiaries and the other financial liabilities measured through profit and loss to be reasonable.

#### **Other Information**

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the document titled "Gaia Fibonacci Fibre REIT 1 Limited Annual Separate Financial Statements for the year ended 31 July 2023", which includes the Report of the Audit and Risk Committee Report, Certificate by the Company Secretary and the Directors' Report, as required by the Companies Act 71 of 2008, and the Report of the Compiler, which we obtained prior to the date of this report, and a document titled "Gaia Fibonacci Fibre REIT 1 Limited Integrated Annual Report 2023". The Gaia Fibonacci Fibre REIT 1 Limited Integrated Annual Report 2023 is expected to be made available to us after the date of this auditor's report. As soon as the annual report is available, it will be reviewed and should any inconsistencies with the separate financial statements be noted, this will be reported on. The other information does not include the separate financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the separate financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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

#### Responsibilities of the Directors for the Separate Financial Statements

The directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the separate financial statements in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act 71 of 2008, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of separate financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the separate financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the 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 company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Separate Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the separate 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 ISA's 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 separate financial statements.

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

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

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

We also provide the directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

From the matters communicated with the directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the separate financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

#### Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

In terms of the IRBA Rule published in Government Gazette Number 39475 dated 04 December 2015, we report that PKF Cape Town has been the auditor of Gaia Fibonacci Fibre REIT 1 Limited for one year.

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31 October 2023 STELLENBOSCH

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#### **Report of the Compiler**

#### To the Directors of Gaia Fibonacci Fibre REIT 1 Limited

We have compiled the accompanying annual separate financial statements of Gaia Fibonacci Fibre REIT 1 Limited based on information you have provided. These annual separate financial statements comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 July 2023, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

We performed this compilation engagement in accordance with International Standard on Related Services 4410 (Revised), Compilation Engagements.

We have applied our expertise in accounting and financial reporting to assist you in the preparation and presentation of these annual separate financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act, 71 of 2008. We have complied with relevant ethical requirements, including principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care.

These annual separate financial statements and the accuracy and completeness of the information used to compile them are your responsibility.

Since a compilation engagement is not an assurance engagement, we are not required to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information you provided to us to compile these annual separate financial statements. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or a review conclusion on whether these annual separate financial statements are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

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### **Statement of Financial Position**

Investments in subsidiaries3329,775,529186,8Total non-current assets329,817,504186,8Current assets329,817,504186,8	41,975 38,060 <b>80,035</b> 34,813 - <b>34,813</b>
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Current assets	34,813 -
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Cash and cash equivalents 4 703,186 1,2	- 34,813
Loan to group company 5 207,220	34,813
Total current assets910,4061,2	,
Total assets 330,727,910 188,1	14,848
Equity and liabilities	
Equity	
Issued capital 6 1,000	1,000
Retained income 15,011,552 16,0	30,451
Total equity 15,012,552 16,0	31,451
Liabilities	
Non-current liabilities	
Other financial liabilities 7 315,507,236 171,9	80,912
Current liabilities	
Trade and other payables   8   208,122   1	02,485
Total liabilities 315,715,358 172,0	83,397
Total equity and liabilities 330,727,910 188,1	14,848

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### Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

			10 month
		Year ended 31	period ended
Figures in R	Notes	July 2023	31 July 2022
Revenue	9	7,048,291	1,240,477
Other income		57,093	-
Administrative expenses	10	(309,265)	(54,975)
Other expenses	11	(768,867)	(219,517)
Other (losses) / gains	12	(511,045)	16,197,929
Profit from operating activities		5,516,207	17,163,914
Investment income	13	75,751	16,537
Finance costs	14	(5,950,062)	(1,035,000)
(Loss) / profit before tax		(358,104)	16,145,451
Income tax expense	15	-	-
(Loss) / profit for the year		(358,104)	16,145,451

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### **Statement of Changes in Equity**

		Retained	
Figures in R	Issued capital	income	Total
Changes in equity			
Profit for the period	-	16,145,451	16,145,451
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	16,145,451	16,145,451
Dividends recognised as distributions to shareholders	-	(115,000)	(115,000)
Shares issued	1,000	-	1,000
Balance at 31 July 2022	1,000	16,030,451	16,031,451
Balance at 1 August 2022	1,000	16,030,451	16,031,451
Changes in equity			
Loss for the year	-	(358,104)	(358,104)
Total comprehensive loss for the year	-	(358,104)	(358,104)
Dividends recognised as distributions to ordinary shareholders	-	(660,795)	(660,795)
Balance at 31 July 2023	1,000	15,011,552	15,012,552
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### **Statement of Cash Flows**

			10 month period
Figures in R	Notes	Year ended 31 July 2023	ended 31 July 2022
Net cash flows used in operations	19	(915,402)	(172,007)
Dividends paid	20	(660,795)	(115,000)
Dividends received	9	7,048,291	1,240,477
Interest paid	14	(5,950,062)	(1,035,000)
Interest received	13	75,751	16,537
Net cash flows used in operating activities		(402,217)	(64,993)
Cash flows used in investing activities			
Additional investment in subsidiary		(111,165,216)	(158,043,185)
Purchase of intangible assets		-	(41,975)
Advances on loan to group company		(207,220)	-
Net cash flows used in investing activities		(111,372,436)	(158,085,160)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from issuing ordinary shares		-	1,000
Proceeds from other financial liabilities		111,243,027	159,383,966
Net cash flows from financing activities		111,243,027	159,384,966
Net (decrease) / increase in cash and cash equivalents		(531,627)	1,234,813
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year		1,234,813	-
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year/period	4	703,186	1,234,813

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### **Accounting Policies**

#### 1. General information

Gaia Fibonacci Fibre REIT 1 Limited ('the company') performs investment activities.

The company is incorporated as a Public company. Refer to the information disclosed on page 2 of the annual separate financial statements for the country of incorporation and registered address of the entity.

#### **Fund information**

The REIT was established by Gaia Fund Managers Proprietary Limited, in collaboration with Fibonacci Managers Proprietary Limited, for the purpose of providing a channel through which institutional and retail investors could:

• benefit from direct investments into Fibre Networks, whilst

• providing a tax benefit through the REIT allowing for the investment to be taxed as if the property is held directly by the investor essentially allowing the investment's distributions to be seen as income in the hands of the investor.

#### 1.1 Basis of preparation and summary of significant accounting policies

The annual separate financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis in accordance with, and in compliance with, International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") and International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee ("IFRIC") interpretations issued and effective at the time of preparing these annual separate financial statements and the Companies Act, 71 of 2008. The annual separate financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, unless otherwise stated in the accounting policies which follow and incorporate the principal accounting policies set out below at fair value through profit or loss. These accounting policies are consistent with the previous period. The annual separate financial statements are presented in Rands, rounded to the nearest Rand, which is the company's functional currency.

These annual separate financial statements comply with the requirements of the Financial Reporting Pronouncements as issued by the Financial Reporting Standards Council and in compliance with the Cape Town Stock Exchange Listings requirements.

#### Significant judgements and sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of annual separate financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management, from time to time, to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. These estimates and associated assumptions are based on experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

#### Critical judgements in applying accounting policies

The critical judgements made by management in applying accounting policies, apart from those involving estimations, that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the annual separate financial statements, are outlined as follows:

Management have made critical judgements in applying accounting policies for the following:

- Fair value measurement
- Classification of financial liabilities
- Classification of investments in subsidiaries (Refer to 1.2 Consolidation)

The company assessed that the investments in subsidiaries are categorised as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss. The financial liabilities are also recognised as financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss.

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#### General information continued...

When investments in subsidiaries and financial liabilities are recognised at fair value judgement is used in determining the valuation and the significant inputs. Therefore, a fair value hierarchy should be used that reflects the significance of these judgements. For both of the measurements of the investment in subsidiaries (financial assets) and the preference shares liabilities (financial liabilities), the fair value was categorised as Level 3. This is that the valuation technique includes inputs not based on observable data and the unobservable inputs have a significant effect on the instrument's valuation.

Refer to notes 3 and 7 for input details used in the estimates.

#### Key sources of estimation uncertainty

#### Fair value measurement

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market is determined by using valuation techniques. The company uses its judgement to select a variety of methods and make assumptions that are mainly based on market conditions existing at the end of each reporting period. The company has used the discounted cash flow analysis for financial instruments that are not traded in active markets.

#### Basis of valuation approach

The fair value approach of the financial instruments under management is determined as at the measurement date in accordance with the principles of IFRS 13, Fair Value Measurement. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received for an asset in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. A fair value measurement assumes that a hypothetical transaction to sell an asset takes place in the principal market or in the absence, the most advantageous market for the asset.

The primary valuation methodology for the underlying financial instruments is the dividend discount model ("DDM"). Management uses judgement to select the most appropriate valuation method. The DDM method is used to derive the fair value, being the discounting of the expected dividend income from the investments, of an asset using reasonable assumptions on the estimations of expected future post tax cash flows (dividend income) over the expected term of the A and B Preference Shares, 10 years. i.e. free cash flows to the Company. These cash flows are discounted to the present value by applying the appropriate discount rate that captures the risk inherent to the investment.

#### Assumptions

The fair value of investments in subsidiaries, as determined through a DDM, is driven by dividend cash flows received from property companies held by the investment company. Dividend cash flows from subsidiary fibre network property company are driven by forecast rental income and expenditure in projects underlying each subsidiary, which form the basis of the DDM valuation.

Individual project cash flows, which include income, expenditure and the nominal disposal value of each project at the end of its estimated life, are forecasted. The timing and magnitude of project cash inflows are based on historic financial information, such as average revenue per user (ARPU), as well as non-financial metrics and market survey data, including, vacancy projections, demographics data. Forecast project cash outflows are based on a percentage of rental income, percentage of number of homes passed, and the percentage of active home-passes. Such outflows include the budgeted operation and maintenance costs, marketing spend, and ad-hoc maintenance costs. Long-term consensus inflation forecasts are incorporated into the project cash flows.

Dividend cash flows from subsidiaries are discounted at the appropriate discount rate, based on the required hurdle rate for investment by the investment entity. The fair value of the financial liabilities (preference shares issued) are based on the forecasted preference dividend cash flows payable to the preference shareholders, in line with contractually agreed distribution terms. The starting point for the expected cash outflows are linked to the cash inflows expected from the investments in subsidiaries. The distributions to preference shareholders includes the allowable deduction of operational costs and ongoing listing fees.

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### **Accounting Policies**

#### General information continued...

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

#### 1.2 Consolidation

#### **Subsidiaries**

Subsidiaries are all entities (including structured entities) over which the company has control. The company controls an entity when the company is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity.

Any contingent consideration to be transferred by the company is recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. Subsequent changes to the fair value of the contingent consideration that is deemed to be an asset or liability is recognised in accordance with IFRS 3 either in profit or loss or as a change to other comprehensive income. Contingent consideration that is classified as equity is not re-measured, and its subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity.

#### **Investment entities**

An investment entity which acquires an interest in a subsidiary shall be exempt from consolidation or equity accounting in terms of amendments to IFRS 10 and IFRS 12 and shall measure an investment in a subsidiary at fair value through profit or loss in accordance with IFRS 9.

An investment entity is defined as an entity that:

• obtains funds from one or more investors for the purpose of providing those investors with investment management services

• commits to its investors that its business purpose is to invest in partners solely for returns from capital appreciation, investment income, or both; and

• measures and evaluates the performance of substantially all its investments on the fair value basis.

The Company has been deemed to meet the definition of an investment entity as per IFRS 10 based on the following:

• The REIT will obtain funds from various investors with the intention to provide investment management services to its investors. The investment management services, including best endeavours to ensure that the REIT is Section 25BB compliant, will be provided by Gaia Fund Managers Proprietary Limited.

• The REIT commits to provide investors access to infrastructure investments for the purpose of generating returns from capital appreciation, investment income or both;

• The REIT intends to measure and evaluate its investments at fair value through profit and loss; and

• The REIT does not intend to hold its investments indefinitely with exit strategies including a sale to a third party. On the exit of all the fibre network assets in the Property SPV, the REIT is required to make distributions of ownership interests to all investors. This will effectively collapse all other investments in the group structure, which includes indirect equity and debt investments held by the REIT.

The entity is exempt from consolidation and will only prepare annual separate financial statements. The investment in the subsidiary is measured at fair value through profit and loss in accordance with IFRS 9.

#### 1.3 Financial instruments

#### Initial recognition of financial assets

Financial instruments held by the company are classified in accordance with the provisions of IFRS 9 Financial Instruments.

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### **Accounting Policies**

#### General information continued...

The classification of financial assets under IFRS 9 is based on whether the financial assets are equity instruments, debt instruments held or derivative assets. The classification and measurement of debt instruments is dependent on the business model in which the financial asset is managed and its contractual cash flow characteristics. The business model refers to how the company is managing its financial instruments to generate cash flows. The company first assesses the business model before considering whether an instrument meets the definition of the contractual cash flow test. Only if the financial instruments are held in a business model to collect contractual cash flows or a business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets, the cash flows characteristics test is performed.

A debt instrument is classified as a financial asset at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions:

• it is held within a business model where the objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and

• its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding

A debt instrument is classified at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) if it meets both of the following conditions:

• it is held within a business model where the objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets; and

• its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

All debt instrument financial assets that were not classified as measured at amortised cost or FVOCI are measured at FVTPL. On initial recognition, the company may irrevocably designate a debt instrument financial asset that otherwise meets the requirements to be measured at amortised cost or at FVOCI at FVTPL if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise.

Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets are expensed in profit or loss for financial assets initially classified at FVTPL. For financial assets not classified at FVTPL, transaction costs are added to the fair value at initial recognition.

#### Subsequent measurement of financial assets

Financial assets at amortised cost	These assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is adjusted for any loss allowance. Interest income and impairment are recognised in profit or loss. These assets consist of cash and cash equivalents, and a loan to group company (refer to notes 4 and 5).
	Any gains or losses arising on the derecognition are included in profit or loss in other operating income/expense.
	These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. The assets consist of investments at fair value through profit or loss (Note 3). Net gains and losses, including any interest or dividend income, are recognised in profit or loss.
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	Any gains or losses arising on the derecognition are included in profit or loss in other operating income/expense. The company manages financial assets and liabilities on the basis of its net exposure to market risks and credit risk, and therefor offsets the fair value adjustments in the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income.

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### **Accounting Policies**

#### General information continued...

#### Initial recognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities at amortised cost are recognised when the company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. The instruments are measured, at initial recognition, at fair value plus transaction costs, if any.

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognised when the company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. They are measured, at initial recognition and subsequently, at fair value. Transaction costs are recognised in profit or loss.

Preference shares which carry non-discretionary dividend obligations, should be classified as liabilities. The dividends on these preference shares are taken to the Statement of Profit and Loss or Other Comprehensive Income as interest expense. Refer to note 7.

#### Subsequent measurement of other financial liabilities

Financial liabilities at amortised cost	These liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Interest expense is recognised in profit or loss. The liabilities include trade and other payables (refer to note 8).
	Any gains or losses arising on the derecognition are included in profit or loss in other operating income/expense.
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	These liabilities are subsequently measured at fair value. Net fair value gains and losses, including any interest expense are recognised in profit or loss (note 7). The company manages financial assets and liabilities on the basis of its net exposure to market risks and credit risk, and therefor offsets the fair value adjustments in the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income.

#### **Expected credit losses**

The expected credit loss (ECL) model applies to financial assets measured at amortised cost, for example loans and cash and cash equivalents held by the company. The amount of expected credit losses is updated at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition of the respective loans.

#### Write off policy

The company writes off a financial instrument at amortised cost when the entity has no reasonable expectation of recovery of the outstanding balance of the instrument. Determining when to write off financial assets is a matter of judgement and incorporates both quantitative and qualitative information. Indicators to write-off the asset include when interest repayments are 120 days past due and there is no reasonable expectation of recovery, as well as discussions with counterparties to the instruments. Where loans or receivables have been written off, the company continues to engage in enforcement activity to attempt to recover the receivable due. Where recoveries are made, these are recognised in profit or loss.

#### Credit risk

Details of the credit risk of financial assets are included in the financial instruments and risk management note (note 21).

#### Derecognition

#### Financial assets

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or when it is transferred and the transfer qualifies for derecognition.

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### **Accounting Policies**

#### General information continued...

#### Financial liabilities

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expires. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as the derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability. The difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are initially stated at carrying amount, which is deemed to be fair value, and subsequently carried at amortised cost which is deemed to be fair value. Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand and deposits held at call.

#### Loans receivable at amortised cost

Loans receivable are initially stated at carrying amount, which is deemed to be fair value, and subsequently carried at amortised cost which is deemed to be fair value.

Interest income is calculated using the effective interest method and is recognized in profit and loss.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset and of allocating interest income over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the financial asset, or (where appropriate) a shorter period, to the amortised cost of a financial asset.

#### Trade and other payables

They are recognised when the company becomes a party to the contractual provisions, and are measured, at initial recognition, at fair value plus transaction costs, if any.

They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial liability and of allocating interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the financial liability, or (where appropriate) a shorter period, to the amortised cost of a financial liability.

If trade and other payables contain a significant financing component, and the effective interest method results in the recognition of interest expense, then it is included in profit or loss in finance costs.

#### 1.4 Tax

#### Current tax assets and liabilities

Current tax for current and prior periods is, to the extent unpaid, recognised as a liability. If the amount already paid in respect of current and prior periods exceeds the amount due for those periods, the excess is recognised as an asset.

Current tax liabilities (assets) for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be paid to (recovered from) the tax authorities, using the tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

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#### General information continued...

Gaia Fibonacci Fibre REIT 1 Limited was listed as a Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT). As a result, section 25BB of the Income Tax Act applies to qualifying REIT income and expenses. The legislation provides that capital gains on sale of immovable properties are not taxable and previous building allowances claimed will be recouped at the company tax rate. All rental income and dividends from property subsidiaries will be taxed at 27% and any qualifying distribution paid from these taxable profits will be deductible at 27%. Should the entities' assets be sold or the entity wound up, there could be a tax liability to the value of the recoupments previously claimed.

#### Deferred tax assets and liabilities

A deferred tax liability is recognised for all taxable temporary differences, except to the extent that the deferred tax liability arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction which at the time of the transaction, affects neither accounting profit nor taxable profit (tax loss).

A deferred tax asset is recognised for all deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary difference can be utilised. A deferred tax asset is not recognised when it arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction at the time of the transaction, affects neither accounting profit nor taxable profit (tax loss).

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

No deferred tax was recognised on the fair value adjustments to the investments held in the property companies, as defined in section 25BB of the Income Tax Act. These assets do not attract capital gains tax.

#### Tax expenses

Current and deferred taxes are recognised as income or an expense and included in profit or loss for the period.

#### 1.5 Stated capital and equity

An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of an entity after deducting all of its liabilities.

Ordinary shares are recognised at no par value and classified as stated capital in equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of ordinary shares are recognised as a deduction from equity, net of any tax effects.

Dividends declared are recognised in equity.

#### 1.6 Revenue

Dividend income is presented as revenue in the Statement of Profit and Loss and Other Comprehensive Income as the dividends that the entity receives are in the ordinary course of the entity's business. Dividend income is not within the scope of IFRS 15, however, because it is income in the ordinary course of the entity's business, it is presented as dividend revenue, which is separately disclosed from revenue from contracts with customers.

Dividend income is recognised when the amount of any dividend declared, being appropriately authorised and no longer at the discretion of the entity, on or before the end of the reporting period.

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### **Accounting Policies**

#### General information continued...

#### 1.7 Investment income

Interest is recognised, in profit or loss, using the effective interest method.

#### **1.8 Borrowing costs**

Borrowing costs are recognised as an expense in the period which they are incurred.

#### 1.9 Statement of cash flows

The statement of cash flows is prepared on the indirect method, whereby the cash flows from operating activities are derived by adjusting the net profit or loss for the period, taking into account non-cash items, changes in working capital, and other operating activities. The cash flows from investing and financing activities are then separately disclosed.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and deposits held on call with banks net of bank overdrafts, all of which are available for use by the company unless otherwise stated.

Investing and financing activities that do not require the use of cash and cash equivalents are excluded from the statement of cash flows.

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#### 2. New Standards and Interpretations

#### 2.1 Standards and interpretations effective and adopted in the current year

In the current year, there are no new standards and interpretations that are effective for the current financial year and that are relevant to its operations.

#### 2.2 Standards and interpretations not yet effective

The Company has chosen not to early adopt the following standards and interpretations, which have been published and are mandatory for the Company's accounting periods beginning on or after 1 August 2023 or later periods:

Standard/Interpretation	Effective date:	Expected impact	
Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-	Years beginning on or after 1	Unlikely there will be a material	
current - Amendments to IAS 1	January 2024	impact	
IAS 8: Change in the definition of accounting	Years beginning on or after 1	Unlikely there will be a material	
estimates	January 2023	impact	
Disclosure of Accounting Policies - Amendments to	Years beginning on or after 1	Unlikely there will be a material	
IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2	January 2023	impact	

#### 3. Investments in subsidiaries

#### 3.1 The amounts included on the statement of financial position comprise the following:

Name of company	Country of incorporation	Principal activity	% holding 2023	% holding 2022	Fair value 2023	Fair value 2022
GF Property SPV 1 (RF) Proprietary Limited	South Africa	Investment activities	100%	100%	145,937,755	136,184,390
GF Property SPV 2 (RF) Proprietary Limited	South Africa	Investment activities	100%	100%	183,837,773	50,653,670
GF Property SPV 3 (RF) Proprietary Limited	South Africa	Investment activities	100%	0%	1	-
					329,775,529	186,838,060

The company's voting power is in direct proportion to its percentage shareholding.

During the year, the company acquired GF Property SPV 3 (RF) Proprietary Limited. At the reporting date, GF Property SPV 3 (RF) Proprietary Limited has not commenced its operations. Therefore, no cash flow forecasts are available for the company.

The carrying amount of the investments in subsidiaries is shown at fair value. During the current year, there were no impairments of investments in the company (2022: Rnil). The subsidiaries is incorporated in South Africa and shares the yearend of the company.

#### Fair value information of investments in subsidiaries

The Company has adopted an accounting policy of measuring its investments at fair value through profit or loss in accordance with IFRS 9 with fair value movements on its assets recognised in the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income. The investments in subsidiaries are measured at fair value on a stand alone basis and the Company uses the same valuation method to measure fair value in of all the investments in subsidiaries.

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#### Investments in subsidiaries continued...

#### Valuation of investments in subsidiaries

For financial assets recognised at fair value, disclosure is required of a fair value hierarchy which reflects the significance of the inputs used to make the measurements.

Level 1: Quoted unadjusted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the group can access at measurement date. The quoted market price used for financial assets is the current bid price. These instruments are included in level 1.

Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included in level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability either directly or indirectly. If all significant inputs are required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in level 2.

Level 3: Applies inputs which are not based on observable market data. This category includes all instruments for which the valuation technique includes inputs not based on observable data and the unobservable inputs have a significant effect on the instrument's valuation.

The primary valuation methodology for the underlying investments held by the Fund is the dividend discount model ("DDM") methodology. Some of the significant inputs into the dividend discount model may not be observable in the market and are derived from market prices or rates or are based on assumptions. This valuation model therefore requires a higher degree of management judgement and estimation in determination of fair value.

In the valuation for the investments, management's judgement and estimation is required for:

- Selection of the appropriate valuation model to be used, in this case the dividend discount model;
- Assessment and determination of the expected cash flows (dividend income) from the underlying investments; and
- Selection of the appropriate discount rates.

The table below analyses financial instruments measured at fair value at the reporting date by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which the fair value measurement is categorised. The amounts are based on the values recognised in the statement of financial position.

As at 31 July 2023, the fair value measurement of shares held by the Company in the subsidiaries are categorised into Level 3.

Discount rate	(2022: 15.43%)	The investments in subsidiaries are valued on a real basis, as such of 14.54% (2022: 15.43%) for GF Property SPV 1 and 14.64% (2022: 15.47%) for GF Property SPV 2, and are adjusted for the risk premium of the company for the ordinary shareholders.
Cash flow	Expected dividends	Investee entities make distributions from profits which are made up of rental income net of operating expenses, and proceeds from disposal of the fibre assets at the end of their useful lives. The disposal value is determined by adjusting the initial acquisition costs of the assets with a forecasted inflation rate at the end of the discount period.
Discount period	Remaining term of the 10-year	Expected term of the A and B Preference Shares, 10 years.

#### Assumptions

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#### Investments in subsidiaries continued...

Reconciliation of assets measured at level 3

2023	Opening belonce	Additions	Fair value through	Closing balance
Assets	Opening balance	Additions	profit/(loss)	Closing balance
Financial assets at fair value through profit/(loss)				
Investments in subsidiaries	186,838,060	111,165,217	31,772,252	329,775,529
				329,775,529
			Fair value through	
2022	Opening balance	Additions	profit/(loss)	Closing balance
Assets				
Financial assets at fair value through profit/(loss)				
Investments in subsidiaries	-	158,043,185	28,794,875	186,838,060
				186,838,060

#### Sensitivity of fair value measurement to changes in unobservable inputs

Although management believes that its estimates of fair value are appropriate, the use of different methodologies or assumptions could lead to different measurements of fair value. For fair value measurements in Level 3, changing one or more of the assumptions used to reasonably reflect possible alternative assumptions would have the following effects on net assets.

GF Property SPV 1 (RF) Proprietary Limited						
Fair value at 31					1% decrease in unobservable input	
Dividend discount model         Discount rate         14.54%         145,937,755         (8,812,940)         9,483,479						

GF Property SPV 2 (RF) Proprietary Limited					
Fair value at 31					1% decrease in unobservable input
Dividend discount model	Discount rate	14.64%	183,837,773	(11,514,288)	12,409,434

#### Significant observable/unobservable inputs are developed as follows:

Discount rate: The discount rate is calculated by adjusting the investment's internal rate of return with the cost of equity, and then adding a risk margin. The risk margin is determined by management and is based on financial risk of the company.

CPI rate: The consensus macroeconomic view as compiled by PWC and the National Treasury was utilised in setting the CPI inflation outlook over the investment period of 10 years.

Uptake rate: The use of the fibre infrastructure and the rate of the increase in the uptake rate is based on the historic data from average revenue per user (ARPU), as well as non-financial metrics and market survey data, including vacancy projections and demographic data.

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#### Investments in subsidiaries continued...

#### 3.2 Interests in unconsolidated subsidiaries

The company is classified as an investment entity, and therefore applies the consolidation exemption. All investments are measured at fair value through profit and loss.

#### 4. Cash and cash equivalents

#### Net cash and cash equivalents

Bank balances

#### **Risk exposure:**

The company's investments in subsidiaries exposes it to financial risks. Refer to note 21 Financial instruments and risk management for detailed information on the company's risk exposure and the processes and policies implemented to mitigate these risks.

#### 5. Loan to group company

#### Loan to group company comprises the following balances

GF Property SPV 3 (RF) Proprietary Limited

The loan is unsecured, bears interest as agreed upon from time to time and will be repaid in the next 12 months.

#### 6. Stated capital

#### Authorised and issued stated capital

#### Authorised

100,000,000 Ordinary no par value shares 10,000 Class A Preference shares 10,000 Class B Preference shares 10,000 Class C Preference shares 10,000 Unspecified Class D shares 10,000 Unspecified Class E shares 10,000 Unspecified Class F shares 10,000 Unspecified Class G shares 10,000 Unspecified Class H shares 10,000 Unspecified Class I shares 10,000 Unspecified Class J shares

#### Issued

100,000,000 Ordinary no par value shares

1,000

703,186 1,234,813

207.220

1,000

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Stated capital continued				
Reconciliation of number of shares issued:				
Reported at 1 August			100,000,000	-
Issue of ordinary shares			-	100,000,000
Closing balance as at 31 July			100,000,000	100,000,000
Refer to note 7 for preference shares issued.				
Class A Preference shareholders:				
	Shares 2023	Shares % 2023	Shares 2022	Shares % 2022
<ul> <li>FRB ITF Kruger Ci Prudential Fund</li> </ul>	2,765	28.0%	2,765	28.0%
<ul> <li>FRB ITF Kruger Ci Balanced Fund [FRBKPF001]</li> </ul>	4,321	43.0%	4,321	43.0%
<ul> <li>FRB ITF Kruger Ci Equity Fund [FRBKPF001]</li> </ul>	691	7.0%	691	7.0%
• L Pretorius	1,728	17.0%	1,728	17.0%
<ul> <li>AVT Infrafin Proprietary Limited</li> </ul>	492	5.0%	492	5.0%
	9,997	100%	9,997	100%
Class B Preference shareholders:				
	Shares 2023	Shares % 2023	Shares 2022	Shares % 2022
<ul> <li>FRB ITF Kruger Ci Prudential Fund</li> </ul>	2,556	27.5%	748	27.0%
• FRB ITF Kruger Ci Balanced Fund [FRBKPF001]	3,983	42.8%	1,165	43.0%
<ul> <li>FRB ITF Kruger Ci Equity Fund [FRBKPF001]</li> </ul>	653	7.0%	191	7.0%
• L Pretorius	713	7.7%	209	7.6%
<ul> <li>Mai Capital Proprietary Limited</li> </ul>	743	8.0%	235	9.0%
<ul> <li>Rheas Infras Proprietary Limited</li> </ul>	475	5.1%	139	5.0%
<ul> <li>Other shareholders</li> </ul>	177	1.9%	51	1.8%
	9,300	100%	2,738	100%

#### Preference share rights:

Each Preference Share shall confer upon the holder thereof the right to have Preference Dividends declared and paid out of any funds that are available to be distributed to the preference shareholders.

The Preference Dividends, if any, shall be paid in priority to any distributions to the Managers (Gaia Fund Managers Proprietary Limited and Fibonacci Holdings Proprietary Limited) in respect of the ordinary shares in the issued share capital of the Company, or any other holder of such ordinary shares at the applicable time.

#### 7. Other financial liabilities

#### 7.1 Other financial liabilities comprise:

9,997 (2022: 9,997) Class A Preference shares	137,845,582	125,904,347
9,300 (2022: 2,738) Class B Preference shares	177,661,654	46,076,565
	315,507,236	171,980,912
Non-current portion of other financial liabilities	315,507,236	171,980,912
	315,507,236	171,980,912

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#### Other financial liabilities continued...

### 7.2 Disclosures

### Fair value information of other financial liabilities

The Company has adopted an accounting policy of measuring its preference share liabilities at fair value through profit or loss in accordance with IFRS 9 with fair value movements recognised in the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income. The preference share liabilities is measured at fair value on a stand alone basis and the Company uses sum- of- the-parts valuation method to measure the fair value of the preference shares.

#### Valuation of other financial liabilities

For other financial liabilities recognised at fair value, disclosure is required of a fair value hierarchy which reflects the significance of the inputs used to make the measurements.

Level 1: Quoted unadjusted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the group can access at measurement date. The quoted market price used for financial assets is the current bid price. These instruments are included in level 1.

Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included in level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability either directly or indirectly. If all significant inputs are required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in level 2.

Level 3: Applies inputs which are not based on observable market data. This category includes all instruments for which the valuation technique includes inputs not based on observable data and the unobservable inputs have a significant effect on the instrument's valuation.

The primary valuation methodology for the underlying investments held by the Fund is the dividend discount model ("DDM") methodology. Some of the significant inputs into the dividend discount model may not be observable in the market and are derived from market prices or rates or are based on assumptions. This valuation model therefore requires a higher degree of management judgement and estimation in determination of fair value.

In the valuation for the investments, management's judgement and estimation is required for:

- Selection of the appropriate valuation model to be used, in this case the dividend discount model;
- Assessment and determination of the expected cash flows (preference dividend) from the underlying investments; and
- Selection of the appropriate discount rates.

The value of the preference shares was determined using the dividend discount model. Assumptions and inputs used in valuation techniques include CPI and investor premium used in estimating discount rates.

The table below analyses financial instruments measured at fair value at the reporting date by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which the fair value measurement is categorised. The amounts are based on the values recognised in the statement of financial position. Preference shares are recognised at fair value through profit or loss for which the carrying amounts equal its fair value.

As at 31 July 2023, the fair value measurement of the preference shares is categorised into Level 3.

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#### Other financial liabilities continued...

#### Assumptions

Discount rate	Class A: 13.93% (2022: 15.11%)	The other financial liabilities are valued on a real basis, as such the real
	Class B: 14.04% (2022: 15.15%)	rate of 13.93% (2022: 15.11%) for GF Property SPV 1 and 14.04% (2022:
		15.15%) for GF Property SPV 2.
Cash flow	Expected dividends	Investee entities make distributions from profits which are made up of rental income net of operating expenses, and proceeds from disposal of the fibre assets at the end of their useful lives. The disposal value is determined by adjusting the initial acquisition costs of the assets with a forecasted inflation rate, at the end of the discount period.
Discount period	Remaining term of the 10-year period	Expected term of the A and B Preference Shares, 10 years.

#### Reconciliation of assets measured at level 3

2023	Opening balance	Additions	Fair value through profit/(loss)	Closing balance
Liabilities				
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit/(loss)				
Other financial liabilities	171,980,912	111,243,027	32,283,297	315,507,236
				315,507,236
2022	Opening balance	Additions	Fair value through profit/(loss)	Closing balance
Liabilities				
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit/(loss)				
Other financial liabilities	-	159,383,966	12,596,946	171,980,912
				171,980,912

#### Sensitivity of fair value measurement to changes in unobservable inputs

Although management believes that its estimates of fair value are appropriate, the use of different methodologies or assumptions could lead to different measurements of fair value. For fair value measurements in Level 3, changing one or more of the assumptions used to reasonably reflect possible alternative assumptions would have the following effects on net assets.

Class A preference shares					
Valuation technique	Significant unobservable inputs	Estimates for unobservable inputs	Fair value at 31 July 2023	1% increase in unobservable input	1% decrease in unobservable input
Dividend discount model	Discount rate	13.93%	137,845,582	(8,464,260)	9,173,378

Class B preference shares					
Valuation technique	Significant unobservable inputs	Estimates for unobservable inputs	Fair value at 31 July 2023	1% increase in unobservable input	1% decrease in unobservable input
Dividend discount model	Discount rate	14.04%	177,661,654	(11,330,022)	12,326,433

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#### Other financial liabilities continued...

#### Significant observable/unobservable inputs are developed as follows:

Discount rate: The discount rate of the preference shares uses the latest internal rate of return of the investments in subsidiaries and adds a risk margin. The risk margin is determined by management and is based on financial risk of the company.

CPI inflation: The consensus macroeconomic view as compiled by PWC and the National Treasury was utilised in setting the CPI inflation outlook over the investment period of 10 years.

Uptake rate: The use of the fibre infrastructure and the rate of the increase in the uptake rate is based on the historic data from average revenue per user (ARPU), as well as non-financial metrics and market survey data, including vacancy projections and demographic data.

#### **Risk exposure:**

The company's liability in preference shares exposes it to financial risks. Refer to note 21 Financial instruments and risk management for detailed information on the company's risk exposure and the processes and policies implemented to mitigate these risks.

#### Changes in liabilities arising from financing activities

	A preference share liability	B preference share liability
2023	onare naonty	share hability
Opening balance	125,904,347	46,076,465
Cash movements:		
Additions	-	111,243,127
Non-cash movements:		
Fair value adjustments	11,941,235	20,342,062
Closing balance	137,845,582	177,661,654
2022		
Opening balance	-	-
Cash movements:		
Additions	114,416,874	44,966,993
Non-cash movements:		
Fair value adjustments	11,487,473	1,109,472
Closing balance	125,904,347	46,076,465
8. Trade and other payables		
Trade and other payables comprise:		
Trade creditors	148,122	102,485
Accrued liabilities	60,000	-
Total trade and other payables at amortised cost	208,122	102,485

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9. Revenue		
Revenue comprises:		
Dividends received from subsidiaries	7,048,291	1,240,477
10. Administrative expenses		
Administrative expenses comprise:		
Accounting fees	69,000	51,750
Auditors remuneration - Fees	224,250	-
Bank charges	13,365	3,225
Secretarial fees	2,650	-
Total administrative expenses	309,265	54,975
11. Other expenses		
Other expenses comprise:		
Directors' fees	150,000	30,000
Legal expense	-	28,290
Listing cost	30,000	115,000
Professional fees	588,867	46,227
Total other expenses	768,867	219,517
12. Other gains and (losses)		
Other gains and (losses) comprise:		
Fair value gains on assets	31,772,252	28,794,875
Fair value (losses) on liabilities	(32,283,297)	(12,596,946)
Total other gains and (losses)	(511,045)	16,197,929
13. Investment income		
Investment income comprises:		
Interest received - bank	75,751	16,537

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#### 14. Finance costs

#### Finance costs included in profit or loss:

Class A Preference Shares	3,805,110	1,035,000
Class B Preference Shares	2,144,952	-
Total finance costs	5,950,062	1,035,000

#### Preference dividends:

The company paid dividends on the preference shares (classified as financial liabilities). These dividends are disclosed as finance costs in accordance with IFRS 9 of the International Financial Reporting Standards.

#### 15. Income tax expense

#### The income tax for the year can be reconciled to the accounting (loss) / profit as follows:

(Loss) / profit before tax from operations	(358,104)	16,145,451
Income tax calculated at 27.0% Tax effect of	(96,688)	4,520,726
- Fair value adjustments	137,982	(4,535,420)
- Limitation of section 25BB deduction	(41,294)	14,694
Tax charge	-	-

#### Deferred tax

Section 25BB of the Income Tax Act allows for the deduction of the qualifying distribution paid to shareholders, but the deduction is limited to taxable income. To the extent that no tax will be payable in the future as a result of the qualifying distribution, no deferred tax was raised on the fair valuation of non-current financial liabilities.

IAS 12 Income Taxes (amended) requires the sale rate to be applied, unless rebutted, when calculating deferred taxation on the fair value adjustments. As the company is a REIT, capital gains tax is no longer applicable on the sale of the investment in subsidiaries in terms of section 25BB of the Income Tax Act. The deferred tax rate applied to investment in subsidiaries at the sale rate will therefore be 0%. Consequently, no deferred taxation is raised on the fair value adjustments on investments in subsidiaries.

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#### 16. Related parties

#### 16.1 Relationships

Holding company	Gaia Fund Managers Proprietary Limited
Minority shareholder	Fibonacci Holdings Proprietary Limited
Fellow subsidiary	Gaia Fibonacci Fibre Fund (RF) Proprietary Limited
Subsidiaries	GF Property SPV 1 (RF) Proprietary Limited
	GF Property SPV 2 (RF) Proprietary Limited
	GF Property SPV 3 (RF) Proprietary Limited
Key members	D Kennon
	YL Labuschagne
	T Masiela
	MM Nieuwoudt
	CP van Heerden

O Kolbe

MCS Nell (Resigned 31 July 2023)

#### 16.2 Related party transactions and balances

	Dividends received	Dividends paid	Expenses paid by related party	Amounts payable	Amounts receivable	Total
Year ended 31 July 2023						
Related party transactions/balances						
Gaia Fund Managers						
Proprietary Limited		(330,400)	-	(28,290)	-	(358,690)
Fibonacci Holdings						
Proprietary Limited	-	(330,395)			-	(330,395)
GF Property SPV 1 (RF)						
Proprietary Limited	4,295,000	-	-	-	-	4,295,000
GF Property SPV 2 (RF)						
Proprietary Limited	2,753,291	-	-	-	-	2,753,291
GF Property SPV 3 (RF)						
Proprietary Limited	-	-	-	-	207,220	207,220
10 Months ended 31 July 2022						
Related party transactions						
Gaia Fund Managers						
Proprietary Limited	-	(58 <i>,</i> 650)	(36,915)	(28,290)	-	(123,855)
Fibonacci Holdings						
Proprietary Limited	-	(56,350)	-	-	-	(56,350)
GF Property SPV 1 (RF)						
Proprietary Limited	1,240,477	-		-	-	1,240,477

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#### 17. Directors remuneration

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	Remuneration	paid to directors		s fees paid to rectors	
	Paid by the company	Paid by a company within the group	Paid by the company	Paid / payable by a company within the group	Total
Executive					
MCS Nell*	-	-	-	-	-
MM Nieuwoudt	-	2,316,828	-	-	2,316,828
D Kennon	-	1,096,000	-	-	1,096,000
	-	3,412,828	-	-	3,412,828
Non-executive					
O Kolbe*	-	-	-	-	-
T Masiela	-	-	50,000	-	50,000
CP van Heerden	-	-	30,000	-	30,000
YL Labuschagne	-	-	70,000	-	70,000
	-	-	150,000	-	150,000
	2	022			
	Remuneration	paid to directors	Directors fee	es paid to directors	
	Paid by the company	Paid by a company within the group	Paid by the company	Paid / payable by a company within the group	Total
Executive					
MCS Nell*	-	-	-	-	-
MM Nieuwoudt	-	2,238,369	-	-	2,238,369
D Kennon	-	984,000	-	-	984,000
	-	3,222,369	-	-	3,222,369
Non-executive					
T Masiela	-	-	10,000	-	10,000
CP van Heerden	-	-	10,000	-	10,000
YL Labuschagne		-	10,000	-	10,000
	-	-	30,000	-	30,000

MCS Nell resigned as executive director on 31 July 2023 and O Kolbe was appointed as non-executive director in his place on 31 July 2023.

\*The director did not receive any remuneration from the company or group during the period.

#### 18. Events after the reporting date

The directors are not aware of any matter or circumstance arising since the end of the financial period to the date of this report that could have a material effect on the financial position of the company.

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19. Cash flows from operating activities		
Profit before tax	(358,104)	16,145,451
Adjustments for:		
Interest received	(75,751)	(16,537)
Dividends received	(7,048,291)	(1,240,477)
Finance costs	5,950,062	1,035,000
Fair value (gains) and losses	511,045	(16,197,929)
Change in operating assets and liabilities:		
Adjustments for increase in trade accounts payable	45,637	102,485
Adjustments for increase in other operating payables	60,000	-
Net cash flows used in operations	(915,402)	(172,007)

#### 20. Dividends paid

An interim dividend of R0.00317 per Ordinary share was approved and an interim dividend of R271.81 per Class A Preference Share were approved by the directors on 31 October 2022 in South Africa currency. Dividends were paid on 28 November 2022 to shareholders registered in the company's register at the close of business on the declaration date.

An interim dividend of R0.00058 (2022: R0.00115) per Ordinary share was approved and an interim dividend of R52.29 (2022: R103.53) per Class A Preference Share were approved by the directors on 11 November 2022 in South Africa currency. A final dividend of R0.00286 per Ordinary share was approved and a final dividend of R56.53 per Class A Preference Share and R219.99 per Class B Preference Share were approved by the directors on 26 May 2023 in South Africa currency. Dividends were paid on 28 November 2022 and 12 June 2023, respectively, to shareholders registered in the company's register at the close of business on the respective declaration date(s).

#### Dividends paid are calculated as follows:

Dividends declared and paid

(660,795) (115,000)

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#### 21. Financial instruments and risk management

#### **Categories of financial instruments**

#### **Categories of financial assets**

	Fair value			
Company – 2023	Notes	Total		
Non-current assets				
Investments in subsidiaries	3	329,775,529	-	329,775,529
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	4	-	703,186	703,186
Loan to group company	5	-	207,220	207,220
		329,775,529	910,406	330,685,935

#### **Categories of financial liabilities**

		Fair value		
0 2022	Notes	through profit or A	mortised cost	Total
Company – 2023		loss		
Non-current liabilities				
Other financial liabilities	7	315,507,236	-	315,507,236
Current liabilities				
Trade and other payables	8	-	208,122	208,122
		315,507,236	208,122	315,715,358

#### **Categories of financial assets**

		Fair value		
Company – 2022	Notes	through profit or A loss	mortised cost	Total
Non-current assets				
Investments in subsidiaries	3	186,838,060	-	186,838,060
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	4	-	1,234,813	1,234,813
		186,838,060	1,234,813	188,072,873

### **Categories of financial liabilities**

		Fair value		
Company – 2022	Notes	through profit or loss	Amortised cost	Total
Non-current liabilities				
Other financial liabilities	7	171,980,912	-	171,980,912
Current liabilities				
Trade and other payables	8	-	102,485	102,485
		171,980,912	102,485	172,083,397

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#### Financial instruments and risk management continued...

The carrying amounts of the financial instruments approximate their fair values. The pre-tax gains and losses relating to the financial instruments are disclosed in note 12.

#### Capital risk management

The Company's objective when managing capital (which includes share capital, borrowings, working capital and cash and cash equivalents) is to maintain a flexible capital structure that reduces the cost of capital to an acceptable level of risk and to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern while taking advantage of strategic opportunities in order to maximise stakeholder returns sustainably.

To meet and maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may adjust the number of dividends paid to shareholders, return capital to shareholders, issue new shares or sell assets to reduce debt.

Prior to declaring any dividends, the Company conducts solvency and liquidity tests to ensure compliance. Furthermore, the company ensures a minimum solvency ratio of 1:1 at all times. Additionally, the Company maintains sufficient capital reserves to cover a minimum of six months' worth of operational expenses.

There are no externally imposed capital requirements.

#### Financial risk management

Overview

The company is exposed to the following risks from its use of financial instruments:

- Credit risk
- Liquidity risk; and
- Market risk (interest rate)

#### Credit risk

The directors have overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the company's risk management framework. The company's risk management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced by the company, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits. Risk management policies and systems are reviewed regularly to reflect changes in market conditions and the company's activities.

"Credit risk" is the risk that a counterparty to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation or commitment that it has entered with the Company, resulting in a financial loss to the Company.

The company is mainly exposed to credit risk on cash and cash equivalents. Credit risk exposure arising on cash and cash equivalents is managed by the company through dealing with well established financial institutions with high credit ratings. The company considers credit risk on cash and cash equivalents to be minimal.

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#### Financial instruments and risk management continued...

Financial assets exposed to credit risk at year-end were as follows:

2023	Note	Gross carrying amount	Credit loss allowance	Amortised cost
Financial instrument				
Cash and cash equivalents	4	703,186	-	- 703,186
Loan to group company	5	207,220		- 207,220
		910,406	-	910,406
Financial instrument				
		Gross carrying	Credit loss	
2022	Note	amount	allowance	Amortised cost
2022 Financial instrument	Note			Amortised cost
	Note 4			1 224 042

#### Liquidity risk

"Liquidity risk" is the risk that the Company will encounter difficulty in meeting the obligations associated with its financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset.

The Company manages liquidity risk through an ongoing review of future commitments and expenses compared to available cash to meet those commitments. Cash flow forecasts are prepared and presented to the Board for approval.

There are no significant changes in the risk management policies and processes of the liquidity risk from the previous year.

The class A preference shares and class B preference shares liability is an estimation based on discounted future dividends as per the model (Refer to Key sources of estimation uncertainty, assumptions paragraph). The company is expected to receive a dividend based on the model from its subsidiaries. The expected dividend receivable will service the expected operational expenses as well as the class A preference share and class B preference shares liability. The company will therefore be able to meet its obligation.

The table below analyses the Company's financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the statement of financial position to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

2023	Notes	Less than 1 year	2 - 5 years	More than 5 years	Total cash flows Carrying amount	
		R	R	R	R	R
Non-current liabilities						
Other financial liabilities	7	1,735,356	97,332,596	773,820,284	872,888,236	315,507,236
Current liabilities						
Trade and other payables	8	208,122	-	-	208,122	208,122
		1,943,478	97,332,596	773,820,284	873,096,358	315,715,358

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2022	Notes	Less than 1 year	2 - 5 years	More than 5 years	Total cash flows Carrying amour	
		R	R	R	R	R
Non-current liabilities						
Other financial liabilities	7	-	90,377,808	380,432,447	470,810,254	171,980,912
Current liabilities						
Trade and other payables	8	102,484	-	-	102,484	102,484
		102,484	90,377,808	380,432,447	470,912,738	172,083,396

Market risk

Market risk arises through the use of interest-bearing financial instruments. It is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in interest rates.

Increased competition to a valuable investment opportunity such as Demand Index (DI) will drive prices higher reducing return/margin at future investment opportunities. Superior technologies enter the market making fibre less attractive/ redundant.

Refer to note 3 and note 7.