



The Annual Report

and

Consolidated Financial Statements

of

The Altro Group plc

for the year ended 31 December 2016

Company Registration Number: 01493087

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Chairman's statement

for the year ended 31 December 2016

The results for the year ended 31 December 2016 show sales of £138.0m (2015: £121.4m) and a profit before taxation of £11.0m (2015: £10.7m).

With effect from 1 January 2016 it is very pleasing to welcome Debolon Dessauer Bodenbeläge GmbH & Co. KG ("Debolon") and its employees into The Altro Group.

In 2016, the board continued to invest in additional people, research and development, manufacturing and marketing. It is expected that this will lead to continued growth in 2017 and future years.

An interim dividend of 4.5p per share (2015: 4.5p) was paid to shareholders in November 2016. At the Annual General Meeting in June, the Company proposes to seek the approval of shareholders to pay a final dividend of 9.5p per share (2015: 9.5p) on 27 July 2017 to those shareholders on the register at close of business on 7 July 2017. The total dividend will therefore be 14.0p per share for the year to 31 December 2016 (2015: 14.0p).

A share valuation of 772p was obtained from Investec Bank plc in March 2017 (February 2016: 708p, August 2016: 669p) on behalf of the Trustees of the Employee Benefit Trust (EBT) and the Share Incentive Plan (SIP).

The Company continues to support share ownership by employees and plans to set aside £332k (2015: £332k) of shares for employees in 2017. The Company manages this through the SIP. In 2016, the actual cost in relation to the SIP was £287k (2015: £311k).

The Company intends to seek the approval of shareholders at the Annual General Meeting for the purchase of a number of its own shares. The Share Repurchase Scheme, together with the EBT, provides a market for the shareholders whilst reducing the dilution of shares in issue resulting from the allotment of shares to employees.

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Strategic report

for the year ended 31 December 2016

Principal activities and review of the business

The Altro Group plc ("the Company") is an unquoted public limited company and the holding company of the Altro group of companies (together, "the Group"). Its balance sheet is disclosed on page 14 and the profit attributable to its shareholders is disclosed on page 13.

The principal activities of the business are the manufacture and marketing of:

- Altro safety flooring
- Altro Debolon flooring systems
- Altro Whiterock wall and ceiling systems
- Altro resin systems
- Autoglym vehicle care and Kanor car wash products.

With effect from 1 January 2016, Debolon Dessauer Bodenbeläge GmbH & Co. KG ("Debolon") and its employees joined the Group. The technical and commercial benefits from this merger have already been seen in 2016.

During the year, the Company and its subsidiaries worked to increase its market presence and market share in the UK and internationally for the Altro, Altro Debolon, and Autoglym product ranges. All areas of the business have contributed to the result for the year and are well placed to build on this position during 2017.

Financial review

The consolidated profit and loss account for the year is set out on page 13.

The key performance indicators (KPIs) for the Group are:

- Turnover increase of 13.7% (2015: up 3.9%)
- Operating profit increase of 2.9% (2015: down 5.1%)
- Net funds including long term loans increase of 91.0% (2015: down 25.1%)
- Shareholders' funds decrease of 1.1% (2015: up 9.9%)

The Group's net funds including long term loans as at 31 December 2016 were £14.9m (2015: £7.8m).

The performance against KPIs is considered satisfactory given the overall economic environment in our markets and the changes to the Group structure.

Expenditure during the year has included investment in buildings, plant and machinery throughout the Group as well as additional contributions of £2.5m (2015: £2.2m) to the Defined Benefit Pension Scheme.

Future developments

In 2017, we launched our integrated brand and product portfolio. To enable continued growth in future years, the Group plans to continue investing in its people, its capital expenditure and research and development.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The business is subject to a number of risks and the Group has procedures and systems to manage these. The key business risks affecting the Group are considered to relate to competition from other manufacturers, increased raw material and energy costs, regulatory changes, fluctuations in the UK and global economy and any action which may be taken by governments in our major markets to address their budget deficits.

The board takes action where possible to eliminate, reduce or mitigate specific risks through the adoption of appropriate strategies.

Strategic report (continued)

for the year ended 31 December 2016

Financial risk management

The Group's operations expose it to a variety of financial risks, including the effects of changes in currency exchange rates, credit exposure, changes in prices, liquidity and interest rates.

Given the size of the Group, the directors have not delegated the responsibility of monitoring financial risk management to a sub-committee of the board. The policies set by the board of directors are implemented by the Group's finance department.

The main risks arising from the Group's financial management can be analysed as follows:

Currency risk

The Group is exposed in its trading operations to the risk of fluctuations in currency exchange rates. Where appropriate, forward contracts and swaps are used to hedge this exposure.

Credit risk

The Group's principal financial assets are loans receivable, bank balances and trade debtors which represent the Group's maximum exposure to credit risk in relation to financial assets. Risk is managed through internal monitoring processes and credit insurance.

Price risk

The Group is exposed to price risk on raw materials as a result of its operations and such exposure is monitored closely and reported on regularly. In the majority of cases, dual supply arrangements are in place.

Liquidity risk

The Group has positive cash balances with various banks and appropriate overdraft facilities in place where considered necessary.

Interest rate risk

The Group has limited exposure to interest rate risk as borrowings are not significant. There is also an exposure to the impact of longer term rate movements in the Defined Benefit Pension Scheme, which is managed by the Trustees of the Scheme and their advisers.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on behalf of the Board.

E P Boyle Secretary

9 May 2017

Directors' report

for the year ended 31 December 2016

The directors present their report and the audited consolidated financial statements of The Altro Group plc ("the Company") - Company Registration Number: 01493087 - and its subsidiary undertakings (together, "the Group") for the year ended 31 December 2016. The directors of the Company, all of whom have been directors during the year and up to the date of signing the financial statements, are listed on page 12.

Financial risk management and the future developments of the business have been discussed in the Strategic report.

Dividends

The directors recommend a final dividend of 9.5p (2015: 9.5p) per share, resulting in a total dividend of 14.0p (2015: 14.0p) per share for the year. Based on the number of shares in issue at the date of this report, this would equate to a final dividend of £1.6m (2015: £1.6m). The total dividend paid in the year was 14.0p per share. Diluted earnings per share were 50.6p (2015: 57.4p). Assuming approval by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting, the final dividend will be paid on 27 July 2017 to all those on the share register at close of business on 7 July 2017.

Share capital

During 2016, the Company bought back and cancelled 149,476 (2015: 130,890) ordinary shares of 10p each (representing 0.9% (2015: 0.8%) of the called up share capital) at a price of 669p per share (2015: 764p per share) for a total of £1.0m (2015: £1.0m) with a nominal value of £15k (2015: £13k). 5,825 shares (2015: 32,165) were issued during the year.

The Company intends to seek the approval of shareholders at the Annual General Meeting for the purchase of a number of its own shares. This will be the twenty-third year in which the Company will run the Share Repurchase Scheme for the benefit of all shareholders.

Share Incentive Plan (SIP)

49,613 shares under the SIP have been awarded in 2016 to 475 employees (2015: 43,225 shares awarded to 434 employees). The Company plans to set aside £332k (2015: £332k) of shares for employees in 2017. This allocation will be the fifteenth under the SIP.

Employee Benefit Trust (EBT)

Shares continue to be purchased by the EBT for use in the Group share schemes. The financial results of the EBT are incorporated into the consolidated financial statements of the Group.

Employees

The Group operates non-discriminatory employment policies which are designed to attract, retain and motivate the very best people, recognising that this can only be achieved through offering equal opportunities regardless of age, disability, gender, race, religion, colour, nationality, marital status and sexual orientation.

Applications for employment by disabled persons are always fully considered, bearing in mind the respective aptitudes and abilities of the applicant concerned.

In the event of members of staff becoming disabled, every effort is made to ensure that their employment with the Group continues and that appropriate facilities are available and training is arranged. It is the policy of the Group that the training, career development and promotion of a disabled person should, as far as possible, be identical to that of a person who does not suffer from a disability.

Staff are encouraged to plan their careers within the Group and to participate in appropriate ongoing training, consistent with the needs of the business.

Directors' report (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2016

Employees (continued)

All divisions develop their own internal communications and employees receive regular updates on the Group's strategies, policies and results.

The Group has taken appropriate steps during the financial year to introduce, maintain, or develop arrangements aimed at consulting employees or their representatives on a regular basis so that the views of employees can be taken into account in making decisions that are likely to affect their interests.

Our success is due to the teamwork and co-operation of the people within the Group. The directors thank all those who have worked so hard and contributed so much to achieve these results during a demanding time. The Group continues to develop and maintain a culture which encourages long service and we are proud that so many employees choose to remain with us over many years.

Health and Safety and the environment

Health and Safety and environmental performance remain key business objectives. Our manufacturing and sustainability efforts are centred on making proactive, tangible improvements, which translate into real benefits for the environment and savings for the business.

Research and development

Research and development remains at the forefront of our vision for the future and our strength and depth in this area are essential parts of our business. All research and development expenditure is charged to the profit and loss account as incurred.

Group pension schemes

The future of our pension schemes is underpinned by the knowledge that a strong and successful Group should ensure that pension obligations can be met today and in the future.

The Defined Benefit Pension Scheme (DB Scheme) was closed to future accrual on 31 March 2014. All members became deferred and the link to final salary was broken.

During the year the Group made a special contribution of £2.5m (2015: £2.2m) to the DB Scheme in line with the triennial funding plan agreed with the Pension Trustees.

Many employees who were previously members of the DB Scheme have chosen to become members of a Defined Contribution Pension Scheme.

Charitable and political donations

The Group contributed £187,919 (2015: £25,173) for charitable purposes. There were no political contributions.

Going concern

In arriving at their decision to prepare these financial statements on the going concern basis, the directors have reviewed the Group's budget, forecasts and cash flow projections for 2017 and 2018, including proposed capital expenditure, and compared these with the Group's cash holdings, its committed borrowing facilities and projected gearing ratios.

The directors believe that the Group has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and so continue to adopt the going concern basis.

Purchase and disposal of shares

Any shareholder wishing to purchase or sell shares in the Company should contact our registrars, Capita Asset Services, or the Company Secretary.

Directors' report (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2016

Directors' liability insurance

As permitted by the Articles of Association, the directors have the benefit of an indemnity which is a qualifying third party indemnity provision as defined by Section 234 of the Companies Act 2006. The indemnity was in force throughout the financial year and is currently in force. The Company also purchased and maintained throughout the financial year, Directors' and Officers' liability insurance in respect of itself and its directors.

Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulation.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have prepared the Group and company financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Group and Company and of the profit or loss of the Group and Company for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102, have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group and company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Group and Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Group and Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006.

The directors are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Group and Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In the case of each director in office at the date the Directors' Report is approved:

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

Directors' report (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2016

Independent auditors

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP have expressed their willingness to continue as auditors and a resolution to re-appoint them will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on behalf of the Board.

Secretary 9 May 2017

Independent auditors' report to the members of The Altro Group plc for the year ended 31 December 2016

Report on the financial statements

Our opinion

In our opinion, The Altro Group plc's Group financial statements and Company financial statements (the "financial statements"):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Group's and of the Company's affairs as at 31 December 2016 and of the Group's profit and cash flows for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

What we have audited

The financial statements, included within the Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements (the "Annual Report"), comprise:

- the consolidated and company balance sheets as at 31 December 2016;
- the consolidated profit and loss account and consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the year then ended:
- the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended;
- the consolidated and company statement of changes in equity for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in the preparation of the financial statements is United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), and applicable law.

In applying the financial reporting framework, the directors have made a number of subjective judgements, for example in respect of significant accounting estimates. In making such estimates, they have made assumptions and considered future events.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

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

In addition, in light of the knowledge and understanding of the Group, the Company and their environment obtained in the course of the audit, we are required to report if we have identified any material misstatements in the Strategic report and the Directors' report. We have nothing to report in this respect.

Other matters on which we are required to report by exception

Adequacy of accounting records and information and explanations received

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the Company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the Company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

Independent auditors' report to the members of The Altro Group plc for the year ended 31 December 2016

Directors' remuneration

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion, certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

Our responsibilities and those of the directors

As explained more fully in the Statement of directors' responsibilities set out on page 8, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) ("ISAs (UK & Ireland)"). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the Company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

What an audit of financial statements involves

We conducted our audit in accordance with ISAs (UK & Ireland). An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of:

- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Group's and the Company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed;
- the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and
- the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We primarily focus our work in these areas by assessing the directors' judgements against available evidence, forming our own judgements, and evaluating the disclosures in the financial statements.

We test and examine information, using sampling and other auditing techniques, to the extent we consider necessary to provide a reasonable basis for us to draw conclusions. We obtain audit evidence through testing the effectiveness of controls, substantive procedures or a combination of both.

In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report. With respect to the Strategic report and Directors' report, we consider whether those reports include the disclosures required by applicable legal requirements.

Deshan Karunaratne (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

St Albans 9 May 2017

Directors and advisers

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Consolidated profit and loss account

for the year ended 31 December 2016

	Note	2016 £'000	2015 £'000
	Note	1 000	1 000
Turnover	5	137,963	121,374
Cost of sales		(63,664)	(54,446)
Gross profit		74,299	66,928
Distribution costs		(32,499)	(28,473)
Administrative expenses		(30,520)	(27,492)
Operating profit		11,280	10,963
Interest receivable and similar income	8	77	78
Interest payable and similar expenses	8	(341)	(371)
Profit before taxation	6	11,016	10,670
Tax on profit	9	(2,848)	(1,038)
Profit for the financial year		8,168	9,632
Profit / (loss) for the financial year attributable to:			
- Owners of the parent		8,403	9,632
- Non-controlling interests	31	(235)	-
		8,168	9,632

All the above results derive from continuing operations.

Consolidated statement of comprehensive income

No	ote	2016 £'000	2015 £'000
Profit for the financial year		8,168	9,632
Other comprehensive Income / (expense) :			_
Currency translation differences arising on consolidation		3,594	(78)
Remeasurements of net Defined Benefit Pension Scheme obligation 2	3	(9,909)	1,630
Total tax on components of other comprehensive income / (expense)		1,194	(780)
Other comprehensive (expense) / income for the year, net of tax		(5,121)	772
Total comprehensive income for the year		3,047	10,404
Total comprehensive income/ (expense) attributable to			
- Owners of the parent		3,282	10,404
- Non-controlling interest	1	(235)	
		3,047	10,404

Consolidated balance sheet

as at 31 December 2016

		2016	2015
	Note	£'000	£'000
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	12	2,591	997
Investment property	13	529	-
Tangible assets	14	41,003	39,347
		44,123	40,344
Current assets			
Inventories	16	17,845	16,436
Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year	17	3,458	5,916
Debtors: due in less than one year	18	23,918	22,890
Cash at bank and in hand		20,624	11,972
		65,845	57,214
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	19	(20,070)	(17,674)
Net current assets		45,775	39,540
Total assets less current liabilities		89,898	79,884
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	20	(1,604)	_
Provisions for liabilities	21	(2,170)	(619)
Net assets excluding Defined Benefit Pension Scheme liability		86,124	79,265
Defined Benefit Pension Scheme	23	(15,900)	(7,920)
Net assets including Defined Benefit Pension Scheme liability		70,224	71,345
Capital and reserves			
Called-up share capital	27	1,702	1,716
Share premium account		7,189	7,161
Other reserves		(2,653)	(2,135)
Retained earnings		64,318	64,603
Total equity attributable to owners of the parent		70,556	71,345
Non-controlling interests	31	(332)	-
Total equity		70,224	71,345

The notes on pages 19 to 50 are an integral part of these financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 13 to 50 were approved by the Board on 9 May 2017 and signed on its behalf by

R J Kahn

Managing Director

Company balance sheet

as at 31 December 2016

		2016	2015
	Note	£'000	£'000
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	14	26,638	26,741
Investments	15	12,006	11,964
		38,644	38,705
Current assets			
Debtors	18	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand		6,367	5,006
		6,367	5,006
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	19	(5,415)	(4,531)
Net current assets		952	475
Total assets less current liabilities		39,596	39,180
Provisions for liabilities	21	(60)	(88)
Net assets		39,536	39,092
Capital and reserves			
Called-up share capital	27	1,702	1,716
Share premium account		7,189	7,161
Other reserves		(2,653)	(2,135)
Retained earnings			
- At 1 January 2016		32,350	32,395
- Profit for the financial year		4,208	3,051
- Other changes in retained earnings		(3,260)	(3,096)
Total retained earnings		33,298	32,350
Total equity		39,536	39,092

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Managing Director

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Consolidated statement of changes in equity

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	Called up share capital £'000	•	Capital redemption reserve £'000	Own shares	Retained earnings £'000	Total £'000	Non- Controlling Interest £'000	Total equity £'000
The Group								
Balance as at 1 January 2015	1,726	7,013	997	(2,344)	57,546	64,938	-	64,938
Profit for the financial year	-	-	-	-	9,632	9,632	-	9,632
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	772	772	-	772
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	10,404	10,404	-	10,404
Dividends paid	-	-	-	-	(2,334)	(2,334)	-	(2,334)
Purchase of own shares	(13)	-	13	-	(1,000)	(1,000)	-	(1,000)
Purchase of own shares for the SIP	-	-	-	-	(330)	(330)	-	(330)
Purchase of own shares by the EBT	-	-	-	(1,839)	-	(1,839)	-	(1,839)
Disposal of own shares by the EBT	-	-	-	1,038	-	1,038	-	1,038
Shares issued	3	148	-	-	-	151	-	151
Currency translation differences	-	-	-	-	63	63	-	63
Increase in reserves arising from share-based payments	-	-	-	-	254	254	-	254
Total transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity	(10)	148	13	(801)	(3,347)	(3,997)	-	(3,997)
Balance as at 31 December 2015	1,716	7,161	1,010	(3,145)	64,603	71,345	-	71,345
Balance as at 1 January 2016	1,716	7,161	1,010	(3,145)	64,603	71,345	-	71,345
Profit / (loss) for the financial year	-	-	-	-	8,403	8,403	(235)	8,168
Other comprehensive expense for the year	-	-	-	-	(5,121)	(5,121)	-	(5,121)
Total comprehensive income / (expense) for the year	-	-	-	-	3,282	3,282	(235)	3,047
Dividends paid	-	-	-	-	(2,322)	(2,322)	-	(2,322)
Purchase of own shares	(15)	-	15	-	(1,000)	(1,000)	-	(1,000)
Purchase of own shares for the SIP	-	-	-	-	(332)	(332)	-	(332)
Purchase of own shares by the EBT	-	-	-	(808)	-	(808)	-	(808)
Disposal of own shares by the EBT	-	-	-	275	87	362	-	362
Shares issued	1	28	-	-	-	29	-	29
Total transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity	(14)	28	15	(533)	(3,567)	(4,071)	-	(4,071)
Non-controlling interest arising on business combination (note 31)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(97)	(97)
Total changes in ownership interests in subsidiaries that do not result in a loss of control	-	-	-	-	-	-	(97)	(97)
Balance as at 31 December 2016	1,702	7,189	1,025	(3,678)	64,318	70,556	(332)	70,224

Company statement of changes in equity

			Othe	er reserves		
	Called-up	Share	Capital			
	share	premium	redemption	Own	Retained	Total
	capital	account	reserve	shares	earnings	equity
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
The Company						
Balance as at 1 January 2015	1,726	7,013	997	(2,344)	32,395	39,787
Profit for the financial year	-	-	-	-	3,051	3,051
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	3,051	3,051
Dividends paid	-	-	-	-	(2,334)	(2,334)
Purchase of own shares	(13)	-	13	-	(1,000)	(1,000)
Purchase of own shares for the SIP	-	-	-	-	(330)	(330)
Purchase of own shares by the EBT	-	-	-	(1,839)	-	(1,839)
Disposal of own shares by the EBT	-	-	-	1,038	254	1,292
Shares issued	3	148	-	-	-	151
Capital contribution arising from share-based payments	-	-	-	-	314	314
Total transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity	(10)	148	13	(801)	(3,096)	(3,746)
Balance as at 31 December 2015	1,716	7,161	1,010	(3,145)	32,350	39,092
Balance as at 1 January 2016	1,716	7,161	1,010	(3,145)	32,350	39,092
Profit for the financial year	-	-	-	-	4,208	4,208
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	4,208	4,208
Dividends paid	-	-	-	-	(2,322)	(2,322)
Purchase of own shares	(15)	-	15	-	(1,000)	(1,000)
Purchase of own shares for the SIP	-	-	-	-	(332)	(332)
Purchase of own shares by the EBT	-	-	-	(808)	-	(808)
Disposal of own shares by the EBT	-	-	-	275	87	362
Shares issued	1	28	-	-	-	29
Capital contribution arising from share-based payments	-	-	-	-	307	307
Total transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity	(14)	28	15	(533)	(3,260)	(3,764)
Balance as at 31 December 2016	1,702	7,189	1,025	(3,678)	33,298	39,536

Consolidated statement of cash flows

	Note	2016 £'000	2015 £'000
Net cash from operating activities Taxation paid	28	17,259 (2,279)	12,636 (2,661)
Taxation paid		(2,273)	(2,001)
Net cash generated from operating activities		14,980	9,975
Cash flow from investing activities			
Purchase of subsidiary (net of cash acquired)	30	(413)	-
Additional subsidiary investment		(100)	-
Purchase of intangible assets	12	(25)	(3)
Purchase of tangible assets	14	(3,179)	(2,211)
Proceeds from disposals of tangible assets		156	-
Loans granted to third parties	17	(360)	(5,613)
Interest received		77	78
Net cash used in investing activities		(3,844)	(7,749)
Cash flow from financing activities			
Dividends paid to owners of the parent	10	(2,322)	(2,334)
Interest paid		(84)	(3)
Proceeds from issue of ordinary share capital (net of costs of issue)		391	1,038
Purchase of own shares by the EBT and for the SIP		(1,140)	(2,169)
Purchase of own shares		(1,000)	(1,000)
Shareholder loan from non-controlling interests		1,486	-
Net cash used in financing activities		(2,669)	(4,468)
Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		8,467	(2,242)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		7,837	10,465
Exchange gains / (losses) on cash and cash equivalents		203	(386)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		16,507	7,837
Cash and cash equivalents consists of:			
Cash at bank and in hand		20,624	11,972
Overdrafts and short-term borrowings	19	(4,117)	(4,135)
Cash and cash equivalents		16,507	7,837

1 General information

The Altro Group plc ("the Company") and its subsidiaries (together "the Group") manufacture and sell safety and other flooring, wall and ceiling systems, resin systems and vehicle care and car wash products. The Group trades internationally and operates with a number of recognised brand names.

The Company is a public unlisted company limited by shares and is incorporated in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is Works Road, Letchworth Garden City, Hertfordshire, SG6 1NW.

2 Statement of compliance

The Group and individual financial statements of The Altro Group plc have been prepared in compliance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102, "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Companies Act 2006.

3 Accounting policies

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

(a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of land and buildings and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006. The principal accounting policies, which have been applied consistently to all periods, are set out below.

The preparation of the financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group and Company accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in note 4.

The amendments to SI 2008/410 made by SI 2015/980 (applicable for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016) permit an entity to adapt the formats of detailed company law profit and loss account and balance sheet formats set out in SI 2008/410 and accordingly the Company has adopted these amendments.

The Company has also taken advantage of the exemption in section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 from disclosing its individual profit and loss account.

(b) Exemptions for qualifying entities under FRS 102

FRS 102 allows a qualifying entity certain disclosure exemptions, subject to certain conditions, which have been complied with, including notification of, and no objection to, the use of exemptions by the Company shareholders.

The Company has taken advantage of the following exemptions:

- from preparing a statement of cash flows, on the basis that it is a qualifying entity and the consolidated statement of cash flows, included in these financial statements, includes the Company cash flows;
- (ii) from the financial instrument disclosures, required under FRS 102 paragraphs 11.39 to 11.48A as the information is provided in the consolidated financial statements disclosures;
- (iii) from disclosing share based payment arrangements, required under FRS 102 paragraphs 26.18(c), 26.19 to 26.21 and 26.23, concerning its own equity instruments. The Company financial statements are presented with the consolidated financial statements and the relevant disclosures are included therein;

3 Accounting policies (continued)

(b) Exemptions for qualifying entities under FRS 102 (continued)

(iv) from disclosing transactions with other wholly owned Group companies as stated in paragraph 33.1A of FRS 102: Related party disclosures.

(c) Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and all of its subsidiary undertakings up to 31 December.

A subsidiary is an entity controlled by the Company. Control is the power to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

Where a subsidiary has different accounting policies to the Group, adjustments are made to those subsidiary financial statements to apply the Group's accounting policies when preparing the consolidated financial statements.

The Company has an established Employee Benefit Trust ("EBT") to which it is the sponsoring entity. Notwithstanding the legal duties of the trustees, the Company considers that it has 'de facto' control. The EBT is accounted for as assets and liabilities of the Company and is included in the consolidated financial statements. The Company's equity instruments held by the EBT are accounted for as if they were the Company's own equity and are treated as treasury shares. No gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss or other comprehensive income on the purchase, sale or cancellation of the Company's own equity held by the EBT.

All intra-Group transactions, balances, income and expenses are eliminated on consolidation.

(d) Foreign currency

(i) Functional and presentational currency

The Group's financial statements are presented in pound sterling and rounded to thousands. The Company's functional and presentation currency is pound sterling.

(ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the spot exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

At each period end foreign currency monetary items are translated using the closing rate. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction.

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

(iii) Translation

The trading results of Group undertakings are translated into pound sterling at the average exchange rates for the year. The assets and liabilities of overseas undertakings, including goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on acquisition, are translated at the exchange rates ruling at the year end. Exchange adjustments arising from the retranslation of opening net investments and from the translation of the profits or losses at average rates are recognised in Other comprehensive income as currency translation differences on consolidation.

(e) Capital contributions

In accordance with FRS 102 section 26: Share-based payment, as the Company has granted rights over its equity

3 Accounting policies (continued)

(e) Capital contributions (continued)

instruments to the employees of Altro Limited, there is a corresponding increase recognised in the investment in the subsidiary.

(f) Goodwill and intangible assets

Goodwill, being the difference between the fair value and the directly attributable costs of the purchase consideration over the fair value of the Group's investment in the identifiable net assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities acquired, is included in the balance sheet in accordance with FRS 102 section 19: Business combinations and goodwill. Purchases of intangible assets are included in the balance sheet at cost less accumulated amortisation. Goodwill and intangible assets are amortised in equal instalments over their estimated useful economic lives.

The annual rates used for intangible assets are:

- Goodwill 5%
- Franchise 5%
- Computer software 10% to 33%

The useful economic lives are reviewed annually and revised if necessary. Provision is made for any impairment. Amortisation and impairment losses are recognised in the profit and loss account under administration expenses.

(g) Investments - Company

Investment in a subsidiary is held at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

Borrowing costs are recognised in profit and loss in the period in which they are incurred.

(h) Tangible assets and depreciation

The cost of tangible assets is their purchase cost, together with any related incidental costs of acquisition. Depreciation is provided evenly on the cost (or valuation where appropriate) of tangible assets to write them down to their estimated residual values over their expected useful economic lives. No depreciation is provided on freehold and long leasehold land and assets under construction.

The annual rates used for other assets are:

- freehold and long leasehold buildings 2.5%;
- short leasehold buildings 5% or term if under twenty years; and
- plant, equipment and vehicles 10% to 50% according to type of asset.

Where there is evidence of impairment, an impairment review is completed at least annually and fixed assets are written down to the recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in the profit and loss account under administration expenses. Any reversal of impairment is recognised as a credit to the profit and loss account.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax arises from timing differences that are differences between taxable profits and total comprehensive income as stated in the financial statements. These timing differences arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in the financial statements.

Deferred tax is recognised on all timing differences at the reporting date. Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are only recognised when it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

Deferred tax is measured using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the period end and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

3 Accounting policies (continued)

(j) Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost represents all direct costs incurred in bringing stocks to their present state and location, including an appropriate proportion of manufacturing overheads. Where necessary, provision is made for obsolete, slow-moving and defective stocks.

(k) Financial instruments

The Group has chosen to adopt Sections 11 and 12 of FRS 102 in respect of financial instruments.

(i) Financial assets

Basic financial assets, including trade and other receivables and cash and bank balances, are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest.

Such assets are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

At the end of each reporting period financial assets measured at amortised cost are assessed for objective evidence of impairment. If an asset is impaired the impairment loss is the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of the estimated cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. The impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

If there is decrease in the impairment loss arising from an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the impairment is reversed. The reversal is such that the current carrying amount does not exceed what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised. The impairment reversal is recognised in profit or loss.

Financial assets are derecognised when (a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or (b) substantially all the risks and rewards of the ownership of the asset are transferred to another party, or (c) despite having retained some significant risks and rewards of ownership, control of the asset has been transferred to another party who has the practical ability to unilaterally sell the asset to an unrelated third party without imposing additional restrictions.

(ii) Financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables, bank loans and loans from fellow Group companies, are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade payables are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derivatives, including foreign currency swaps and forward foreign exchange contracts, are not basic financial instruments.

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently remeasured at their fair value. Changes in the fair value of derivatives are recognised in profit or loss.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the liability is extinguished, that is when the contractual obligation is discharged, cancelled or expires.

3 Accounting policies (continued)

(k) Financial instruments (continued)

(iii) Offsetting

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amounts presented in the financial statements when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

(I) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events; it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation; and where the amount of the obligation can be reliably estimated.

(m) Turnover

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents the amount receivable for goods supplied or services rendered, net of returns, discounts and rebates allowed by the Group and value added taxes.

The Group recognises turnover when (a) the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer; (b) the Group retains no continuing involvement or control over the goods; (c) the amount of turnover can be measured reliably; and (d) it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the entity.

(n) Research and development

Research and development expenditure is charged to the profit and loss account as incurred.

(o) Employee benefits

The Group provides a range of benefits to employees, including paid holiday arrangements, share based payment plans and defined contribution pension plans.

(i) Short term benefits

Short term benefits, including holiday pay and other similar non-monetary benefits, are recognised as an expense in the period in which the service is received.

(ii) Defined Benefit Pension Scheme

The Group operates a Defined Benefit Pension Scheme (DB Scheme), closed to new members in 2005 and to future accrual in 2014, the costs of which are assessed in accordance with the advice of an independent qualified actuary.

Pension costs for the DB Scheme have been accounted for in accordance with FRS 102 section 28: Employee benefits. The assets of the DB Scheme are measured at current bid price, and the liabilities using a projected unit method and discounted at a high quality corporate bond rate.

The DB Scheme asset or liability is recognised in full on the balance sheet, net of the effects of deferred tax. The cost charged to operating profit is the service cost of the DB Scheme. The interest costs are included in the net finance charge or income on the profit and loss account. Actuarial gains or losses are recognised in Other comprehensive income.

(iii) Defined Contribution Pension Schemes

The Group also operates a number of Defined Contribution Pension Schemes (DC Schemes). The pension costs for the DC Schemes represent contributions payable by the Group in the year.

3 Accounting policies (continued)

(o) Employee benefits (continued)

(iv) Share-based payment

The Group issues share options to certain employees. The fair value of equity-settled share-based payments is measured at the date of the grant. The fair value of cash-settled share-based payments is remeasured at the end of each year. The charge, based on fair value and the Group's estimation of shares that will eventually vest, is expensed on a straight line basis over the vesting period.

The calculation of the fair value of the share options issued by the Group has been based on the Black-Scholes valuation model, using a number of subjective assumptions, the most significant of which is that the expected volatility of the Group's share valuation will be 40%.

The Group operates a Share Incentive Plan on which it is also required to recognise a compensation charge under FRS 102 section 26: Share-based payment, calculated as detailed above.

Employer's National Insurance contributions arise on the exercise of certain share options. A provision for National Insurance Contributions on share option gains is made based on the difference between the market price of the Company's shares at the balance sheet date and the option exercise price, spread pro-rata over the vesting period of the options.

(p) Operating leases

Rental costs under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account in equal annual amounts over the periods of the leases.

(q) Dividends

In accordance with FRS 102 section 32: Events after the end of the reporting period, dividends proposed after the balance sheet date are not charged to the profit and loss account in the year. A final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2016 will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting on 22 June 2017.

Dividend income will be recognised when the Company's right to receive payment has been established. The Company's right to an interim dividend is established when it is paid, and the right to a final dividend is established when it is declared in a general meeting. If the right to the dividend cannot be established until the income is received, recognition will be delayed until then.

(r) EPS

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the earnings attributable to ordinary shareholders by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year, excluding the weighted average number of shares held by the Employee Benefit Trust.

For diluted earnings per share, the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue is adjusted to assume conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares. The Company has one class of dilutive potential ordinary shares, namely share options granted to employees where the exercise price is less than the average market price of the Company's ordinary shares during the year.

4 Critical accounting judgements and estimation uncertainty

The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a substantial risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of the assets and liabilities within the next financial year are addressed below.

Defined Benefit Pension Scheme

Although the Defined Benefit Pension Scheme ("DB Scheme") is closed to future accrual, the Group has an obligation to fund the Scheme. The present value of the obligation depends on a number of factors, including: life expectancy, asset valuations, inflation rates and the discount rates for scheme liabilities. Management estimates these factors, with recommendations from an independent actuary, in determining the net pension obligation in the balance sheet. The assumptions reflect historical experience and current trends.

Provisions

Management utilises guidance provided to it by its legal advisors, and other experts as appropriate, in assessing the requirement for, and estimating the value of obligations existing at the balance sheet date.

5 Turnover

Turnover by geographical area was:

	2016		2015	i
	£'000 %		£'000	%
Territory				
United Kingdom	70,045	51	68,528	56
Continental Europe	25,638	19	18,266	15
The Americas	29,757	21	24,862	21
Australia and Asia Pacific	8,169	6	7,973	7
Rest of world	4,354	3	1,745	1
	137,963	100	121,374	100

The directors have elected not to show an analysis of turnover by class of business as, in their opinion, it would be prejudicial to the interests of the Group.

6 Operating profit

The profit on ordinary activities before taxation is arrived at after charging / (crediting):

	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Amortisation of intangible assets	276	165
Depreciation of tangible assets	3,908	3,754
Gain on disposal of tangible fixed assets	(5)	-
Inventory obsolescence charges and reversals	1,970	179
Bad debt impairment and reversals	129	(73)
Research and development	2,185	2,063
Operating lease charges	1,310	1,447
Foreign exchange (gains)/ losses	(711)	213
Fees payable to the Company's auditors for the audit of the Company and		
consolidated financial statements	54	88
Fees payable to the Company's auditors and their associates for other services:		
- the audit of the Company's subsidiaries	35	34
- tax compliance services	34	16
- tax advisory services	46	117
- corporate finance services	29	-
Total amount payable to the Company's auditors and their associates	198	255

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7 Employees and directors

Group employees

The average monthly number of Group employees, including directors, during the year was:

	2016	2015
	Number	Number
Manufacturing	188	143
Sales and marketing	311	241
Warehouse and distribution	99	74
Administration and management	185	174
	783	632
Employee costs, including directors, during the year were:	2016 £'000	2015 £'000
	1 000	
Wages and salaries	31,057	26,014
Social security costs	3,563	2,804
Other pension costs	1,753	1,740
Employee share schemes (note 25)	42	1,316
Other staff benefits	1,235	1,008
	37,650	32,882

All staff are employed by subsidiaries within the Group. The Company has no employees (2015: nil).

Directors

The directors' emoluments were as follows:

	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Aggregate emoluments	1,415	1,384
Defined Contribution Pension Scheme contributions	186	186
	1,601	1,570

Contributions were made to a Defined Contribution Pension Scheme on behalf of one director (31 December 2015: one) in the year ended 31 December 2016.

During the year, 41,180 (2015: 59,244) approved and phantom options were awarded to the directors and 31,535 (2015: 48,397) were exercised.

7 Employees and directors (continued)

Highest paid director

	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Highest paid director:		
Aggregate emoluments	661	643
Defined Contribution Pension Scheme contributions	186	186
	847	829

The amount of the accrued pension in the DB Scheme of the highest paid director at 31 December 2016 is £155k (2015: £151k). No approved share options (2015: 6,185) and 31,535 phantom share options (2015: none) were exercised by the highest paid director in the year.

Key management

The compensation paid or payable to key management has been included in the above schedule for directors.

8 Net interest expense

	2016 £'000	2015 £'000
Interest receivable and similar income:		
short term deposits	7	8
other	70	70
Interest receivable and similar income	77	78
Interest payable and similar expenses:		
bank overdraft	(84)	(3)
finance charge on DB Scheme (note 23)	(257)	(368)
Interest payable and similar expenses	(341)	(371)
Net interest expense	(264)	(293)

9 Tax on profit

(a) Tax expense included in profit or loss

(a) Tax expense included in profit or loss		
	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Current tax:		
UK corporation and income tax:		
current tax on income for the year	2,515	2,412
adjustments in respect of prior years	259	(868)
	2,774	1,544
Foreign tax:		
current tax on income for the year	272	(47)
adjustments in respect of prior years	(262)	-
	10	(47)
Current tax charge	2,784	1,497
Deferred tax:		
timing differences - origination and reversal	64	(459)
Deferred tax charge / (credit)	64	(459)
Tax on profit	2,848	1,038
(b) Tax (income) / expense included in Other comprehensive (expense)/income	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Deferred tax:		
timing differences - origination and reversal	(1,194)	780
Tax (income) / expense included in Other comprehensive (expense) / income	(1,194)	780

9 Tax on profit on ordinary activities (continued)

(c) Reconciliation of tax charge

The current tax charge for the year is higher (2015: lower) than the applicable rate of corporation tax in the UK of 20% (2015: 20.25%). The hybrid rate in 2015 is a result of a tax rate of 21% for Financial Year 2014 and 20% for Financial Year 2015.

A reconciliation of the current tax charge for the year is presented below:

	2016 £'000	2015 £'000
Profit before taxation	11,016	10,670
Tax charge on profit before taxation of 20% (2015: 20.25%) Income not subject to tax	2,203 (1) 864	2,161 - 377
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Research and development enhanced allowances Pension contributions in excess of charge	(225) (484)	(42) (300)
Depreciation in excess of capital allowances Movement in short-term timing differences	103	104 (270)
Differences in UK income tax and overseas tax rates Adjustments in respect of prior years	334	165 (868)
Deferred tax on share schemes Other	157 (7)	(189) (100)
Tax charge for the year	2,848	1,038

(d) Tax rate changes

The standard rate of corporation tax in the UK changed from 21% to 20% with effect from 1 April 2015. Changes to the UK corporation tax rates were substantively enacted as part of the Finance Bill 2015 on 26 October 2015 and further amended in the Finance bill 2016. These include reductions to the main rate to reduce the rate to 19% from 1 April 2017 and to 17% from 1 April 2020. These changes were substantively enacted on 6 September 2016, and accordingly, deferred taxes at the balance sheet date have been measured using these enacted tax rates and reflected in these financial statements.

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10 Dividends

	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Final dividend for prior year of 9.5p per share (2015: 9.5p)	1,576	1,585
Interim dividend for current year of 4.5p per share (2015: 4.5p)	746	749
	2,322	2,334

A final dividend of 9.5p (2015: 9.5p) per share for the year ended 31 December 2016 will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting on 22 June 2017. Based on the number of shares in issue at the date of this report, this would equate to a dividend of £1,617k (2015: £1,578k).

Dividends payable on shares held by the Employee Benefit Trust have been waived.

11 Earnings per share

	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Profit for the financial year	8,403	9,632
	2016	2015
	Number	Number
	of shares	of shares
Weighted average number of shares in issue	17,162,571	17,267,774
Weighted average number of shares held by the Employee Benefit Trust	(566,836)	(485,378)
Basic weighted average number of shares in issue	16,595,735	16,782,396
Dilutive effect of share option schemes	6,169	9,325
Diluted weighted average number of shares	16,601,904	16,791,721
Earnings per share		
Basic	50.6p	57.4p
Diluted	50.6p	57.4p

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the earnings attributable to ordinary shareholders by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year, excluding the weighted average number of shares held by the Employee Benefit Trust.

For diluted earnings per share, the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue is adjusted to assume conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares. The Group has one class of dilutive potential ordinary shares, namely share options granted to employees where the exercise price is less than the average market price of the Company's ordinary shares during the year.

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12 Intangible assets

The Group

	Computer		
Franchise	Franchise Goodwill		Total
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
141	3,216	62	3,419
-	1,549	38	1,587
-	-	25	25
-	246	19	265
141	5,011	144	5,296
94	2,291	37	2,422
-	-	7	7
7	245	24	276
101	2,536	68	2,705
40	2,475	76	2,591
47	925	25	997
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The goodwill arising on acquisition relates to the purchase of Debolon on 1 January 2016 (note 30).

Company

The Company does not hold any intangible assets.

13 Investment property The Group		Freehold Buildings £'000
	At Fair value At 1 January 2016 Acquisitions	- 456
	Currency translation differences	73
	At 31 December 2016	529
	Provisions At 1 January 2016 Acquisitions	-
	At 31 December 2016	-
	Net book value At 31 December 2016	529
	At 31 December 2015	-

14 Tangible assets

The Group	Land and buildings			Plant		
				equipment		
		Long	Short	and		
	Freehold	leasehold	leasehold	vehicles	Total	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Cost or valuation						
At 1 January 2016	2,180	34,825	682	41,802	79,489	
Currency translation differences	548	-	86	1,627	2,261	
Additions	415	458	116	2,190	3,179	
Acquisitions	829	-	-	1,186	2,015	
Disposals	-	-	-	(581)	(581)	
At 31 December 2016	3,972	35,283	884	46,224	86,363	
At valuation	256	4,394	-	-	4,650	
At cost	3,716	30,889	884	46,224	81,713	
At 31 December 2016	3,972	35,283	884	46,224	86,363	
Accumulated depreciation						
At 1 January 2016	716	8,907	605	29,914	40,142	
Currency translation differences	314	-	60	1,366	1,740	
Charge for the year	63	544	31	3,270	3,908	
Disposals	-	-	-	(430)	(430)	
At 31 December 2016	1,093	9,451	696	34,120	45,360	
Net book value						
At 31 December 2016	2,879	25,832	188	12,104	41,003	
At 31 December 2015	1,464	25,918	77	11,888	39,347	
Comparable amounts determined according	to					
the historical cost convention:						
cost	2,054	33,399	884	46,224	82,561	
accumulated depreciation	(1,080)	(9,206)	(696)	(34,120)	(45,102)	
Net book value						
At 31 December 2016	974	24,193	188	12,104	37,459	

Land and buildings were revalued in 1989 which resulted in an increase to the carrying value of property, plant and equipment in both the Group and the Company. The valuation was carried out by an independent valuer who took into account market values of land and buildings at that time.

14 Tangible assets (continued)

The Company	Land a	Land and buildings		
		Long		
	Freehold	leasehold	Total	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Cost or valuation				
At 1 January 2016	1,095	34,823	35,918	
Additions	-	458	458	
At 31 December 2016	1,095	35,281	36,376	
At valuation	256	4,394	4,650	
At cost	839	30,887	31,726	
At 31 December 2016	1,095	35,281	36,376	
Accumulated depreciation				
At 1 January 2016	271	8,906	9,177	
Charge for the year	16	545	561	
At 31 December 2016	287	9,451	9,738	
Net book value				
At 31 December 2016	808	25,830	26,638	
At 31 December 2015	824	25,917	26,741	
Comparable amounts determined according to				
the historical cost convention:				
cost	969	33,398	34,367	
accumulated depreciation	(278)	(9,206)	(9,484)	
Net book value				
At 31 December 2016	691	24,192	24,883	
At 31 December 2015	707	24,737	25,444	

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15 Investments

	Group 2016 £'000	2015	Company 2016 £'000	
At 1 January Capital contribution arising from share-based payment charge	-	-	11,964 42	10,648 1,316
At 31 December	-	-	12,006	11,964

The directors believe that the carrying value of the investments is supported by their underlying net assets.

The capital contributions arising from the FRS 102 Section 26: Share-based payment charge are due to the Company granting share options to employees of Altro Limited. This results in a corresponding increase in investment in Altro Limited.

Principal trading subsidiaries

The principal trading subsidiaries at 31 December 2016 were:

Company	Address of registered office	Class of shares	% of shares held	Activity
Altro Limited	Works Road, Letchworth Garden City, Hertfordshire. SG6 1NW, UK	Ordinary	100	Manufacturing & marketing
Altro APAC Pty Limited	3 St Andrews Court, Rowville, VIC. 3178, Australia	Ordinary	100	Distribution
Altro GmbH	Ebertallee 209, 06846 Dessau-Roßlau, Germany	-	100	Distribution
Altro Nordic AB	Box 9055, 200 39, Malmö, Sweden	Ordinary	100	Distribution
Altro Scandess SA	Calle de Blasco de Garay, 13, 6° Derecha. 28015 Madrid, Spain	Ordinary	100	Distribution
Altro Canada Inc	6221 Kennedy Road, Unit 1, Mississauga, ON LST 2S8, Canada	Common	100	Distribution
Altro USA, Inc.	1735 Technology Drive, UITE 720, San Jose CA 95110, USA	١ -	100	Distribution
Altro Middle East DMCC	Jumeirah Lake Towers, P.O. Box 340505, Dubai, United Arab Emirates	-	100	Distribution
Altro Trading (Shanghai) Company Limited	Unit 02, 16F, No. 523 Loushanguan Road, Changning District, Shanghai, China	-	100	Distribution
Altro Debolon Holding GmbH	Ebertallee 209, 06846 Dessau-Roßlau, Germany	Ordinary	80	Holding Company
Altro Debolon GmbH	Ebertallee 209, 06846 Dessau-Roßlau, Germany	Ordinary	80	Holding Company
Debolon Dessauer Bodenbeläge GmbH & Co KG	Ebertallee 209, 06846 Dessau-Roßlau, Germany	Ordinary	80	Manufacturing & distribution
Altro Debolon Beteiligungen Verwaltungs GmbH	Ebertallee 209, 06846 Dessau-Roßlau, Germany	Ordinary	80	Holding Company

All the above subsidiaries are included in the consolidation. The Company's investment in Altro Limited and Altro APAC Pty Limited are direct ownership, all other investments are indirect ownership.

Dormant entities

The following companies are wholly owned by the Group but are dormant at the year end:

Altro Whiterock Limited The Altro Group Trustees Limited Kanor Chemicals Limited Altrofix Limited Autoglym Products Limited Terrazzolite Limited Altrosport Surfaces Limited The Altro Group SIP Trustees Limited Valet-Glym Limited Autoglym Limited Altro Floors Limited Zolatone Polomyx Limited

Australian Safety Flooring Pty Ltd

Recofloor Limited, also dormant at the year end, is 50% owned by the Group.

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16 Inventories

Group

	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Raw materials and consumables	4,424	4,710
Finished goods and goods held for resale	13,421	11,726
	17,845	16,436

Inventories are stated after provisions for impairment of £4,740k (2015: £2,770k).

Company

The Company has no inventories at 31 December 2016 (2015: nil).

17 Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year

Group

	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Loan receivable	360	4,490
Other receivables	478	-
Deferred tax asset (note 21)	2,620	1,426
	3,458	5,916

A loan to Debolon Dessauer Bodenbeläge GmbH & Co. KG ("Debolon") was agreed in November 2015. A total of £5,613k was transferred to Debolon in December 2015. Of this £1,123k was repaid to the Group in January 2016 and was therefore classed as a current asset. The remainder became an intercompany balance on acquisition of Debolon, and thus omitted in these financial statements.

Company

The Company has no loans at 31 December 2016 (2015: nil).

18 Debtors: due in less than one year

	Group	Group	Company	Company
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Trade debtors	18,877	16,869	-	-
Other debtors	1,199	1,080	-	-
Corporation tax	-	55	-	-
Deferred tax asset	627	609	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	3,215	3,154	-	-
Loan (note 17)	-	1,123	-	-
	23,918	22,890	-	-

Amounts owed by Group undertakings are unsecured, repayable on demand and accrue interest at relevant agreed rates to the extent that such balances are overdue but are otherwise interest-free.

Trade debtors and other debtors are stated after provisions for impairment of £505k (2015: £376k).

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19 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Group 2016 £'000	Group 2015 £'000	Company 2016 £'000	Company 2015 £'000
Bank loans and overdrafts	4,117	4,135	2,495	2,787
Trade creditors	5,852	4,822	-	-
Corporation tax	450	-	62	219
Other taxation and social security	1,300	1,548	-	-
Amounts owed to group undertakings	-	-	1,982	282
Other creditors	1,676	404	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	6,675	6,765	876	1,243
	20,070	17,674	5,415	4,531

Amounts owed to group undertakings are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand. At 31 December 2016, an overdraft facility of US\$2,000k (2015: US\$2,000k) from one bank was secured against a letter of credit from another.

20 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

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	2016 £'000	2015 £'000
Due after more than 5 years	1,604	-
Total loans payable	1,604	-

Loans payable comprise a shareholder loan from the non-controlling interest in Altro Debolon Holding GmbH. Interest accrues on the principal amount of 1,880,000 EUR at 3% per annum, payable in arrears. It is long term in nature, with no scheduled repayment date.

21 Provisions for liabilities

The Group

	Deferred tax £'000	Other £'000	Total £'000
At 1 January 2016	(609)	619	10
Business combinations	-	253	253
Charged to profit and loss account	64	1,672	1,736
Utilised in the year	(82)	(175)	(257)
Released in the year	-	(258)	(258)
Currency translation movements	-	59	59
At 31 December 2016	(627)	2,170	1,543

Other provisions represent estimated amounts in respect of worldwide dilapidations, reparations and other matters as advised by our legal advisors. This provision is expected to be used over the next five years. In determining these amounts, management utilises guidance provided to it by its legal advisors, and other experts, as appropriate.

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21 Provisions for liabilities (continued)

The Company				
		Deferred tax £'000	Other £'000	Total £'000
At 1 January 2016 Credited to profit and loss account		88 (28)	-	88 (28)
At 31 December 2016		60	-	60
Deferred tax				
	Group 2016 £'000	Group 2015 £'000	Company 2016 £'000	Company 2015 £'000
Accelerated capital allowances Other short-term timing differences Overseas deferred tax	331 (205) (753)	378 (340) (647)	60 - -	88 - -
Deferred tax (asset) / liability	(627)	(609)	60	88
Deferred tax asset relating to Defined Benefit Pension Scheme def	ficit		Group 2016 £'000	Group 2015 £'000
At 1 January Deferred tax credit/ (charge) to Other comprehensive income			1,426 1,194	2,206 (780)
At 31 December			2,620	1,426

22 Operating lease commitments

The commitments at 31 December under non-cancellable operating leases are:

The Group	2016		2015	
	Land and		Land and	
	buildings	Other	buildings	Other
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Leases expiring:				
within one year	977	702	797	445
between one and five years	3,148	933	390	578
after five years	2,965	-	2,956	-
	7,090	1,635	4,143	1,023

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23 Retirement benefits

(a) Defined Benefit Pension Scheme (DB Scheme)

The Group operates a funded DB Scheme in the UK which offers both pensions in retirement and death benefits to members. A full actuarial valuation was carried out as at 30 April 2014; the results have been updated to 31 December 2016 by a qualified independent actuary and showed a deficit at that date of £15,410k (2015: £7,920k) gross of deferred tax, measured in accordance with FRS 102 Section 28: Employee benefits.

The DB Scheme was closed to future accrual on 31 March 2014. All members became deferred and the link to final salary was broken.

The Group plans to reduce the DB Scheme obligation through an agreed contribution of £2,500k (2015: £2,500k) per year.

During the year the Group also took on a DB Scheme liability as part of the acquisition of Debolon; the Scheme is closed to future accrual. An asset to fund the liability was also acquired. This is disclosed within other receivables (note 17).

(i) Pension liability

The pension liability at 31 December was as follows:

	2016 £'000	2015 £'000
Fair value of DB Scheme assets Present value of DB Scheme liabilities	133,025 (148,435)	109,328 (117,248)
UK Pension liability	(15,410)	(7,920)
Other group pension liabilities	(490)	-
Group pension liability	(15,900)	(7,920)

The present value of unfunded DB Scheme liabilities is nil (2015: nil). The irrecoverable surplus in the DB Scheme is nil (2015: nil).

UK Defined Benefit Pension Scheme

(ii) Analysis of assets and expected rates of return

The fair value of plan assets at 31 December were:

	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Equities	21,900	22,670
LDI funds and cash	44,942	29,598
Diversified Growth Funds	66,183	57,060
Fair value of DB Scheme assets	133,025	109,328

The DB Scheme assets do not include any of the Company's own financial instruments, nor any property occupied by, or other assets used by the Company.

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23 Retirement benefits (continued)

(iii) Financial and demographic assumptions

The principal financial assumptions used by the actuary at the balance sheet date were:

	2016	2015
	%	%
Rate of increase in pensions in payment (post 2006)	2.2	2.2
Rate of increase in pensions in payment (post 1997, pre 2006)	3.7	3.6
Rate of increase in pensions in payment (pre 1997)	3.0	3.0
Discount rate	2.7	3.9
RPI Inflation	3.3	3.2
CPI Inflation	2.2	2.1

The assumed life expectancies on retirement at age 65 were:

		2016	2015
		Years	Years
Retiring today	males	22.6	22.8
	females	24.5	24.8
Retiring in 20 years' time	males	23.7	24.4
	females	25.8	26.4

The assumptions used in determining the overall expected return of the DB Scheme have been set with reference to yields available on government bonds and appropriate risk margins.

(iv) Changes in fair value of DB Scheme assets

	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Fair value of DB Scheme assets at 1 January	109,328	108,667
Interest income on DB Scheme assets	4,244	4,004
Actuarial gain / (loss)	20,457	(2,110)
Contributions by employer	2,676	2,187
Benefits paid	(3,680)	(3,079)
Administration costs incurred	-	(341)
Fair value of DB Scheme assets at 31 December	133,025	109,328

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23 Retirement benefits (continued)

(v) Changes in present value of DB Scheme liabilities

	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Present value of DB Scheme liabilities at 1 January	117,248	119,695
Interest cost	4,501	4,372
Remeasurement loss / (gain)	30,366	(3,740)
Benefits paid	(3,680)	(3,079)
Present value of DB Scheme liabilities at 31 December	148,435	117,248

(vi) Analysis of amounts recognised in the profit and loss account

	2016 £'000	2015 £'000
Administration expenses	-	341
Total operating charge	-	341
Interest on DB Scheme net deficit	257	368
Total finance expense (note 8)	257	368

(vii) Amounts recognised in Other comprehensive (expense) / income

	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Actual return on DB Scheme assets less interest income - gain / (loss)	20,457	(2,110)
Remeasurement (loss) / gain on DB Scheme liabilities	(30,366)	3,740
	(9,909)	1,630

(b) Defined Contribution Pension Schemes (DC Schemes)

The Group makes contributions into a number of Defined Contribution Pension Schemes, whose assets are held in separate funds. The total contributions payable by the Group in the year in respect of these schemes were £1,496k (2015: £1,399k). There were no accrued contributions at the year end (2015: nil). Contributions of £1,721k were prepaid at the year end (2015: £1,907k).

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24 Financial instruments

Group

The Group has the following financial instruments:

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost		
- Trade receivables	18,877	16,869
- Other receivables	1,677	1,080
- Loans	360	5,613
	20,914	23,562
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss Foreign exchange forward contracts	(6)	(7)
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost		
- Trade creditors	5,852	4,822
- Accruals	6,675	6,765
- Other creditors	1,676	404
- Bank overdrafts and other borrowings	4,117	4,135
- Loans Payable	1,604	-
	19,924	16,126

Derivative financial instruments - forward contracts

The Group enters into forward foreign currency contracts to mitigate the exchange rate risk for purchases and sales. At 31 December 2016, the outstanding contracts all mature within 12 months (2015: 9 months) of the year end. The Group committed to buy €6,000k for a fixed sterling amount (2015: not committed to buy). At 31 December 2016 the Group had also committed to sell AUD\$2,500k, CAD\$3,000k, SEK 5,000k and US\$7,000K for fixed sterling amounts (2015: €1,000k).

The forward currency contracts are measured at fair value, which is determined using valuation techniques that utilise observable inputs. The key inputs used in valuing the derivatives are the forward exchange rates for each of the currencies against sterling. The fair value of the forward foreign currency contracts is £6k loss (2015: £7k loss).

Bank overdrafts and other borrowings

At 31 December 2016, an overdraft facility of US\$2,000k (2015:US\$2,000k) from one bank was secured against a letter of credit from another. The interest rate per annum applicable to this credit facility is 2.5% above LIBOR. Amounts owed to the bank will be due for repayment within one year.

No interest (2015: nil) is charged on the remainder of the bank overdraft.

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25 Share-based payment

During the year ended 31 December 2016, the Group operated three share-based payment arrangements, as follows:

The Altro Group plc 2007 United Kingdom Approved Share Option Scheme (Approved Scheme)

The Approved Scheme was introduced in 2007. Under the Approved Scheme the board can grant options over shares in the Company to employees of the Group. Options are granted with a fixed exercise price equal to the market price of the shares under option at the date of grant. The contractual life of an option is ten years. Awards are generally reserved for employees at senior and director level. There are five eligible participants at the balance sheet date. As appropriate, the Company has made annual grants since the inception of the Approved Scheme. Ontions granted under the Approved Scheme will become exercisable on the third anniversary of the date of grant and exercise is conditional on there having been real growth in the published earnings per share of the Group in any three years between the date the option was granted and the date of exercise. Real growth means an increase above the General Index of Retail Prices of not less than 2% and earnings per share are as published in the Group's audited financial statements. Exercise of an option is subject to continued employment and is settled by equity.

The Altro Group plc Phantom Share Option Scheme 2005 (Phantom Scheme)

The Phantom Scheme was introduced in 2005 and the board can grant options over notional shares in the Company to employees of the Group. The contractual life of an option is seven years and options are granted with a fixed exercise price equal to the market price of the shares under option at the date of grant. Awards under the Phantom Scheme are generally reserved for employees at senior and director level. There are six eligible participants at the balance sheet date. As appropriate, the Company has made annual grants since 2006. Options granted will become exercisable on the third anniversary of the date of grant. There are no performance conditions attached to the exercise of an option under the Phantom Scheme. Exercise of an option is subject to continued employment for three years. An option is usually satisfied in cash although the board does have an absolute discretion to satisfy payment in whole or in part by the issue of equity in the Company.

The Altro Group plc Share Incentive Plan (SIP)

The SIP was introduced in 2003 and the board can award free shares in the Company to UK-based employees of Altro Limited. Under current legislation free shares must be kept in trust for a minimum of three years and for five years to take advantage of full tax benefits. There is an upper statutory limit of £3,600 worth of shares per tax year. Awards are granted with a fixed price equal to the market price of the shares at the date of award. Awards under the SIP are reserved for employees who have been in continuous employment for a period of six months prior to the eligibility date. The eligibility date is set one month prior to the award date. Recipients of a grant made under either the Approved Scheme or Phantom Scheme do not participate in the SIP. There are 471 participating employees at the balance sheet date. The Company has made annual awards since 2003 and there are no performance conditions attached to an award. An award is satisfied by the issue of equity shares. The exercise price is nil and dividends are paid as they fall due.

The charge in respect of share-based payment transactions included in the Group's consolidated profit and loss account for the year is as follows:

	2016 £'000	2015 £'000
Expense arising from share-based payment arrangements	42	1,316

A reconciliation of option and SIP movements over the year to 31 December 2016 is shown below. Shares issued under the SIP do not have an exercise price and therefore only a reconciliation of the number of awards has been shown and not of their weighted average exercise price.

	2016		2	015
	Weighted			Weighted
		average		average
	Number of	exercise price	Number of	exercise price
	options	pence	options	pence
Outstanding at 1 January	808,154	485	942,433	436
Granted during the year	112,003	571	132,982	571
Exercised during the year	(117,413)	454	(265,628)	442
Cancelled / lapsed during the year	(5,253)	571	(1,633)	475
Outstanding at 31 December	797,491	539	808,154	485
Exercisable at 31 December	410,067	465	381,377	434

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25 Share-based payment (continued)

During the year no directors exercised share options (2015: three).

The weighted average fair value of the share options granted during the year was calculated using the Black-Scholes option valuation model, with the following assumptions and inputs:

Approved scheme:	2016	2015
Risk-free interest rate	0.7%	0.7%
Expected volatility	40%	40%
Expected option life	3-10 years	3-10 years
Expected dividend yield	2.0%	2.5%
Phantom scheme:	2016	
- Huntom Scheme.	2016	2015
Risk-free interest rate	0.7%	0.7%
Risk-free interest rate	0.7%	0.7%

The expiry dates and exercise prices of the share options outstanding at 31 December are as follows:

	Settlement	Number of options		Exercise price		
Share option schemes	method	2016	2015	pence	Exercisable between	
Approved	Equity	5,825	11,650	515	04.04.2014 and 04.04.2021	
		15,759	21,012	571	11.04.2018 and 11.04.2025	
		7,124	-	842	30.09.2019 and 30.09.2026	
Total Approved		28,708	32,662			
Phantom	Cash	-	31,535	404	05.03.2012 and 05.03.2016	
		41,139	41,139	316	15.07.2013 and 15.07.2017	
		27,204	31,340	515	04.04.2014 and 04.04.2018	
		46,307	57,485	475	11.04.2015 and 11.04.2019	
		70,817	81,324	521	11.04.2016 and 11.04.2020	
		105,689	105,689	467	11.04.2017 and 11.04.2021	
		68,745	68,745	571	11.04.2018 and 11.04.2022	
		55,266	-	842	30.09.2019 and 30.09.2023	
Total Phantom		415,167	417,257			
Share Incentive Plan	Equity	353,616	358,235			
Total Share Incentive Plan		353,616	358,235			
Total share options outsta	inding	797,491	808,154			

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26 Investment in own shares

The Group accounts for its own shares held by the trustees of the Employee Benefit Trust (EBT) as a deduction from shareholders' funds as required by FRS 102 Section 22.16. The costs of running the EBT are charged to the Company's profit and loss account as they occur and are financed by advances from the Company.

	At 31	At 31
	December	December
	2016	2015
Number of shares in the Company owned by the EBT	592,585	534,274
Nominal value of shares held	£59,259	£53,427
Cost price of shares held	£3,678,547	£3,146,560
Prevailing valuation of the shares (pence)	669	842
Total market value of shares	£3,964,394	£4,498,587
Maximum number of shares in the Company owned by the EBT during the year	600,848	563,232
Minimum number of shares in the Company owned by the EBT during the year	534,274	468,891

The EBT does not award shares to employees. When awards are made to eligible employees for the SIP grant, the shares are transferred from the EBT to the SIP Trust to be held on trust for those individuals. The EBT sells shares it holds both to employees and to The Altro Group plc. The shares held by the EBT are therefore not under option to employees.

Dividends payable on these shares are waived.

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27 Called-up share capital

Authorised, called up, allotted and fully paid share capital

	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Authorised:		
50,000,000 ordinary shares of 10p each (2015: 50,000,000 ordinary shares of 10p each)	5,000	5,000
Called up, allotted and fully paid:		
17,019,956 ordinary shares of 10p each (2015: 17,163,607 ordinary shares of 10p each)	1,702	1,716

Movements in share capital in the year

	2016	2015
	Number	Number
	of shares	of shares
At 1 January	17,163,607	17,262,332
Shares issued	5,825	32,165
Own shares purchased	(149,476)	(130,890)
At 31 December	17,019,956	17,163,607

Allotment of shares

During the year 5,825 (2015: 32,165) options were exercised to acquire ordinary shares. 57,356 (2015: 149,342) options were exercised under The Altro Group plc Phantom Share Option Scheme 2005, which did not result in the issue of shares.

Purchase of own shares

During the year the Company purchased and subsequently cancelled 149,476 (2015: 130,890) of its own shares. The nominal value of the shares was £14,948 (2015: £13,089) and the amount paid was £1,000k (2015: £1,000k).

Shareholder analysis

	Shares			
	Number	(millions)	%	
Directors and their families	13	10.5	62%	
Employees, ex-employees and their families	377	5.0	29%	
The Share Incentive Plan and the Employee Benefit Trust	15	0.9	6%	
Institutions	3	0.2	1%	
Other	18	0.4	2%	
	426	17.0	100%	

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28 Notes to the consolidated cash flow statement

	2016 £'000	2015 £'000
Profit for the financial year	8,168	9,632
Adjustments for:		
Tax on profit	2,848	1,038
Net interest expense	264	293
Operating profit	11,280	10,963
Amortisation of intangible assets	276	165
Depreciation of tangible assets	3,908	3,754
Gain on disposal of tangible assets	(5)	-
Post employment benefits less payments	(2,676)	(1,478)
Share based payment charge	42	1,316
Currency translation differences and other non-cash movements	512	-
Increase / (decrease) in net provisions	1,617	(83)
Working capital movements:		
- Decrease / (increase) in inventories	2,524	(1,074)
- (Increase) in debtors and prepayments	(1,152)	(562)
- Increase / (decrease) in payables	933	(365)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	17,259	12,636

29 Capital commitments

Group

	2016 £'000	2015 £'000
Contracted but not provided for	775	716

Company

The Company does not have any capital commitments at 31 December 2016 (2015: nil).

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30 Business combinations

On 1 January 2016, the Group acquired the control of Debolon Dessauer Bodenbeläge GmbH & Co. KG ("Debolon") through the indirect purchase of 80% of the share capital for cash consideration of £533k. An additional £627k of directly attributable costs were incurred by Altro Limited in completing the purchase. Debolon manufactures and sells flooring systems; it is based in Germany, but trades internationally.

Prior to the acquisition, the Group had a minimal presence in the German market. As a result of the acquisition, the group expects to increase sales to customers in Germany. The goodwill of £1,549k arising from the acquisition is attributable to the acquired customer base and technological know-how obtained from combining the operations into the group.

Management have estimated the useful life of the goodwill to be 20 years on the basis that it is a long term investment. It is expected that the full benefit of the technological know-how will be realised over this period.

The following table summarises the consideration paid by the group, the fair value of assets acquired, liabilities assumed and the non-controlling interest at the acquisition date.

Consideration at 1 January 2016

	£'000
Cash	533
Directly attributable costs	627
Total consideration	1,160
For cashflow disclosure purposes the amounts are disclosed as follows:	
Cash consideration	533
Less:	
Cash and cash equivalents acquired	(120)
Net cash outflow	413

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30 Business combinations (continued)

cognised amounts of identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assume		Book		Fair
	Note	Values £'000	Adjustments £'000	Value £'000
Investment Property	(a)	65	391	456
Property, plant and equipment		2,015		2,015
Intangible assets		38		38
Inventories	(b)	2,370	(305)	2,065
Trade and other receivables		342		342
Cash and cash equivalents		120		120
Securities		20		20
Prepayments		12		12
Pension asset / (liability)	(c)	39	(49)	(10)
Grant provision		(68)		(68)
Other provisions		(253)		(253)
Trade and other payables		(288)		(288)
Bank loans		(4,935)		(4,935)
Total identifiable net assets		(523)	37	(486)
Non-Controlling Interest				97
Goodwill				1,549
Total				1,160

The adjustments arising on acquisition were in respect of the following:

31 Non-controlling interests

The movement in non-controlling interests was as follows:		2016
	Note	£'000
At 1 January		-
Acquisition of Debolon Dessauer Bodenbeläge GmbH & Co. KG	30	(97)
Total comprehensive expense attributable to non-controlling interests		(235)
At 31 December		(332)

⁽a) Revaluation of investment property on acquisition using a discounted cashflow model

⁽b) Increases in provisions required, and write-off of items expensed under FRS 102

⁽c) The reduction in the pension asset resulting from a third party pension valuation. This reflects differences between German and UK GAAP

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32 Related party transactions

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption available in paragraph 33.1A of FRS 102: Related party disclosures and has not disclosed transactions with other wholly owned Group companies. Transactions between Group companies that eliminate in the consolidated financial statements are not disclosed.

As at 31 December 2015 Altro Debolon Holding GmbH, an 80% subsidiary, had an outstanding loan payable balance with Altro Limited of £6,417k, and interest payable for the period of £170k.

During the year, Altro Limited traded with Debolon, an 80% indirect subsidiary; Altro Limited made purchases to the value of £3,276,148. At the year end, a payable of £289k was outstanding in Altro Limited's books.

A close family member of a director is employed by the Group. The remuneration is considered to be at market

33 Ultimate parent company

The ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is The Altro Group plc, a company registered in England and Wales. For the year ended 31 December 2016, The Altro Group plc is the parent undertaking of the largest and smallest group of undertakings whose results are consolidated in these financial statements at 31 December 2016.

Five year financial summary

This summary does not form part of the audited financial statements.

The Group

The Group	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Balance sheet					
Fixed assets	44,123	40,344	42,067	44,913	42,929
Current assets	65,845	57,214	49,079	40,758	41,378
Total assets	109,968	97,558	91,146	85,671	84,307
Ordinary shareholders' funds	70,224	71,345	64,938	56,922	60,309
Other creditors	23,844	18,293	17,386	16,195	16,468
Defined Benefit Pension Scheme liability	15,900	7,920	8,822	12,554	7,530
Total funds employed	109,968	97,558	91,146	85,671	84,307
Turnover and profits					
Turnover	137,963	121,374	116,799	111,620	112,297
Operating profit	11,280	10,963	16,202	9,124	10,144
Profit for the financial year	8,168	9,632	11,315	6,486	7,228
Ordinary dividends	2,322	2,334	2,268	2,289	2,306
	Pence	Pence	Pence	Pence	Pence
Diluted earnings per share	50.6	57.4	67.8	38.3	42.1
Adjusted earnings per share	50.6	57.4	45.5	38.3	42.1
Dividends per share	14.0	14.0	14.0	13.5	13.5
Net assets per share	412.6	415.7	376.2	326.4	344.7
Gearing ratio %	2.3%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Average number of employees	783	632	600	634	636

The final dividends are not included in the ordinary dividends total above, in accordance with FRS 102 (see note 10). They are included in the dividends per share.

The gearing ratio has increased from the historic level of 0% in 2016 as a result of a long term shareholder loan provided by the minority interest in Altro Debolon Holding GmbH.

Figures for 2014 to 2016 have been reported under FRS 102. Figures for 2012 to 2013 are as previously reported under UK GAAP.