

## **WELLINGTON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT LIMITED**

## **Consolidated Annual Report**

For the year ended 31 March 2024

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The Directors have pleasure in presenting to shareholders the consolidated annual report for Wellington International Airport Limited (WIAL and/or the Company) for the year ended 31 March 2024.

#### Directors

The Directors of WIAL during the year were:

- → Rachel Drew, Chair
- → Elizabeth Albergoni (Appointed 22 June 2023)
- → Wayne Eagleson
- → Phillippa Harford (Retired 22 June 2023)
- → Matthew Ross
- > Phillip Walker
- → Tory Whanau

During the year, Simon Murrow attended the Board meetings as an observer as part of a Cadetship under the Company's Aspiring Directors Programme.

#### **Group's Affairs and Nature of Business**

WIAL and its wholly owned subsidiaries (the Group) provide integrated airport and commercial facilities and services to various airlines and other airport users in Wellington, New Zealand. The Group also operates a commercial retail park adjacent to the airport site.

The nature of the Group's business has not changed during the year.

WIAL has three wholly owned subsidiary companies. Whare Manaakitanga Limited is the holding company for Wellington Airport's hotel, which is independently operated and managed by Noahs Hotels (NZ) Limited under the Rydges brand. Wellington Airport Noise Treatment Limited (WANT Limited) provides noise mitigation activities to manage the impact of noise generated from the airport on the surrounding community. Meitaki Limited is a captive insurance company incorporated in the Cook Islands. As a result WIAL comprises a Group for financial reporting purposes and is required to prepare a consolidated report.

The Group continues to make good progress in its environmental, social and governance initiatives. These are outlined further in our Annual Review, Climate Related Disclosures and Kaitiakitanga report.

In February 2024, the Group issued \$100 million of retail bonds, which were used to refinance bonds maturing in August 2024 and to fund future capital investment.

The Directors regard the state of the Group's affairs to be satisfactory.

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)**

#### Result for the year

The year ended 31 March 2024 was another positive year of growth for WIAL with passenger numbers recovering well and EBITDAF for the year of \$107.1 million ahead of both last year and pre-COVID levels. For the year we hosted 5.5 million passengers, an increase of almost 200,000 from the previous year. This was particularly strong for international travel with a 31% increase in passengers.

Retained earnings was \$44.4 million, a decrease for the year of \$73.3 million. The decrease reflects the dividend paid to shareholders during the year, and the net loss after taxation of \$28.8 million, which was largely due to the Government's removal of the deductibility of tax depreciation on commercial buildings.

#### **Asset Revaluation Reserve**

The Asset Revaluation Reserve at 31 March 2024 was \$802.9 million.

#### Liabilities

The liabilities of WIAL are not guaranteed by its shareholders.

#### **Wellington City Council**

Wellington City Council has been consulting the public on a proposal to sell its 34% shareholding in Wellington Airport. This consultation finished on 12 May 2024 and a final decision is intended to be made by Councillors by the end of June 2024 as part of the Council's Long Term Plan.

#### **Auditors**

KPMG remained the Group's auditors during the year.

On behalf of the Board

Rachel Drew Chair of the Board 13 May 2024 Matthew Ross Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee 13 May 2024

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
		\$000	\$000
		04.040	77.007
Aircraft movement and terminal charges		86,013	77,307
Retail and trading activities		54,289	46,835
Property rent and lease income		18,856	15,686
Total revenue	A2	159,158	139,828
Operating expenses	A3	(35,992)	(34,958)
Employee remuneration and benefits	A4	(16,048)	(15,267)
Subvention payment	D2	(23,336)	-
Total operating and other expenditure		(75,376)	(50,225)
Investment properties revaluation net decrease	B2	(2,700)	(3,062)
Depreciation	B1	(29,862)	(28,800)
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment		-	(101)
Operating earnings before net financing expense		51,220	57,640
Interest income		1,893	2,141
Interest expense	C2	(33,775)	(28,348)
Other finance income	C3	870	103
Net financing expense		(31,012)	(26,104)
Net profit from operations before taxation		20,208	31,536
Taxation expense	A5	(49,052)	(6,293)
Net profit/(loss) after taxation		(28,844)	25,243
Other Comprehensive Income			
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:			
Property, plant and equipment revaluation	B1	70,841	106,060
Income tax on property, plant and equipment revaluation	A5	(12,670)	(8,961)
Total items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss		58,171	97,099
Items that may subsequently be reclassified to profit or loss:			
Fair value gains recognised in the cash flow hedge reserve	C3	192	6,489
Tax effect of movements in the cash flow hedge reserve	A5	(54)	(1,817)
Total items that may subsequently be reclassified to profit or loss		138	4,672
Total Other Comprehensive Income		58,309	101,771
Total Other Comprehensive Income		30,309	101,771
Total comprehensive income		29,465	127,014

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form part of and are to be read in conjunction with these consolidated financial statements.

## **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

#### Attributable to Equity Holders

Note	Capital	Asset Revaluation Reserve	Cash Flow Hedge Reserve	Retained Earnings	Total Equity
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Balance as at 1 April 2023	9,050	744,744	6,146	117,667	877,607
Comprehensive income					
Net profit/(loss) after taxation				(28,844)	(28,844)
Other Comprehensive Income		58,171	138		58,309
Total comprehensive income	-	58,171	138	(28,844)	29,465
Contributions by and distributions to owners					
Dividends to equity holders				(44,451)	(44,451)
Total contributions by and distributions to owners	-	-	-	(44,451)	(44,451)
Balance as at 31 March 2024 C1	9,050	802,915	6,284	44,372	862,621

### Attributable to Equity Holders

	Note	Capital \$000	Asset Revaluation Reserve \$000	Cash Flow Hedge Reserve \$000	Retained Earnings \$000	Total Equity \$000
Balance as at 1 April 2022		9,050	647,645	1,474	92,424	750,593
Comprehensive income						
Net profit/(loss) after taxation		-	-	-	25,243	25,243
Other Comprehensive Income		-	97,099	4,672	-	101,771
Total comprehensive income		-	97,099	4,672	25,243	127,014
Contributions by and distributions to owners						
Dividends to equity holders		-	-	-	-	-
Total contributions by and distributions to own	ners					
Balance as at 31 March 2023	C1	9,050	744,744	6,146	117,667	877,607

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## **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
		\$000	\$000
Cash and cash equivalents	C3	40,162	112,734
Short-term investments	C3	51,994	14,105
Receivables	C3	12,588	13,858
Prepayments and sundry receivables		11,708	7,458
Current assets		116,452	148,155
Property, plant and equipment	B1	1,606,387	1,502,798
Investment properties	B2	1,000,387	132,182
Sundry receivables	52		•
Derivative financial instruments	C3	12,781	8,663
		14,794	8,925
Non current assets		1,759,244	1,652,568
Total assets		1,875,696	1,800,723
Trade and other payables		4,393	2,998
Current tax payable	A5	15,898	7,989
Accruals and other liabilities	B1	30,117	15,324
Accrued employee benefits	A4	5,528	3,793
Lease liabilities	D3	2,362	2,362
Loans and borrowings	C2	60,000	75,000
Current liabilities		118,298	107,466
Deferred taxation	A5	191,526	137,652
Lease liabilities	D3	31,389	31,552
Other liabilities	B1	-	21,000
Loans and borrowings	C2	671,862	625,446
Non current liabilities		894,777	815,650
Attributable to shareholders		862,621	877,607
Total equity		862,621	877,607
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Total equity and liabilities		1,875,696	1,800,723

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On behalf of the Board

Rachel Drew Chair of the Board

13 May 2024

Matthew Ross

Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee

13 May 2024

## **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
		\$000	\$000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash was provided from:			
Receipts from customers		156,310	138,637
Interest received		1,893	2,141
Cash was disbursed to:		-	
Payments to suppliers and employees		(49,955)	(59,693)
Interest paid		(34,254)	(26,470)
Subvention payment	D2	(23,336)	
Net cash flows from operating activities		50,658	54,615
Cash flows from investing activities			
Cash was provided from:		4.000	
Proceeds from sale of investment property		4,200	
Cash was disbursed to:		(67.710)	(40.010
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(67,713)	(42,218
Purchase of investment property		(60.540)	(89
Net cash flows from investing activities		(63,513)	(42,307
Cash flows from financing activities			
Cash was provided from:			
Issue of retail bonds		100,000	75,000
Maturity of short-term investments		-	54,000
Cash was disbursed to:		-	
Investment in short-term investments		(37,889)	(53,000
Repayment of bonds		(75,000)	` '
Debt issue costs		(15)	(440
Dividend payment	D2	(44,451)	,
Repayment of lease liabilities		(2,362)	(2,411
Net cash flows from financing activities		(59,717)	73,149
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(72,572)	85,457
Cash and cash equivalents balance at the beginning of the year		112,734	27,277
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	C3	40,162	112,734
		2024	202:
Deconciliation of not profit ofter toyotion to not each flows from energing activities:		\$000	\$00
Reconciliation of net profit after taxation to net cash flows from operating activities:  Net profit/(loss) after taxation		(28,844)	25,243
Other finance income		(870)	(103
Depreciation Depreciation		29,862	28,800
Investment properties revaluation net decrease		2,700	3,062
		44,128	5,002
Deferred tax impact from change in depreciation rules  Other movements not involving cash flows			0 500
·		2,094	8,532
Movements in working capital  Net cash flows from operating activities		1,588 <b>50,658</b>	(10,919 <b>54,61</b> 5

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#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

#### REPORTING ENTITY

The consolidated financial statements presented are those of the Wellington International Airport Limited Group (the Group), comprising Wellington International Airport Limited (WIAL and/or the Company) and its subsidiaries: Whare Manaakitanga Limited (Wellington Airport Rydges hotel company), Wellington Airport Noise Treatment Limited (WANT Limited - which provides noise mitigation activities to manage the impact of noise generated from the airport on the surrounding community), and Meitaki Limited (captive insurance company incorporated in the Cook Islands). The address of WIAL's registered office is Corporate Office, Level 2 Main Terminal Building, 128 Stewart Duff Drive, Wellington, New Zealand.

The Group operates predominantly in Wellington, New Zealand, providing integrated airport and commercial facilities and services to various airlines and other airport users. The Group also operates a commercial retail park adjacent to the airport site.

#### STATUTORY BASE

The parent company, WIAL, is a profit-oriented company incorporated and domiciled in New Zealand as a limited liability company registered under the Companies Act 1993. The company has bonds listed on the NZX Debt Market (NZDX) and on that basis meets the definition of a Reporting Entity under the Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013 and the Financial Reporting Act 2013.

#### **BASIS OF PREPARATION**

The consolidated financial statements are general purpose financial statements and have been prepared in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in New Zealand (NZ GAAP). They comply with New Zealand equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (NZ IFRS) and other applicable financial reporting standards as appropriate for profit-oriented entities. The consolidated financial statements also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis.

The consolidated financial statements are presented for the year ended 31 March 2024 and were approved by the Board of Directors on 13 May 2024.

#### Basis of measurement

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, with the exception of certain items as identified in specific accounting policies, and are presented in New Zealand Dollars which is the Group's functional currency. Where indicated, values are rounded to the nearest thousand dollars (\$000).

#### **USE OF ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENT**

These consolidated financial statements comply with NZ IFRS, which requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Future outcomes could differ from those estimates. Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis.

Areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the consolidated financial statements are disclosed within the specific notes shown below:

### Area of estimate or judgement

#### Note

Valuation of property, plant and equipment
Valuation of investment properties

Note B1 Property, plant and equipment Note B2 Investment properties

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#### MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements have been consistently applied to all periods presented.

Any new accounting standards, amendments to standards and interpretations issued, but not yet effective, have not been applied in preparation of these consolidated financial statements and are not expected to have a material impact on these financial statements when adopted.

#### FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Group's financial risk management framework. The Audit and Risk Committee also has a function of reviewing management practices in relation to identification and management of significant business risk areas and regulatory compliance. The Group has developed a comprehensive enterprise wide risk management framework. Management and the Board participate in the identification, assessment and monitoring of new and existing risks. Particular attention is given to strategic risks that could affect the Group. Management report to the Audit and Risk Committee and the Board on the Group's risks and the controls and treatments for those risks. This includes the Group's assessment of climate related risks. Financial risk management principles are disclosed within the specific notes shown below:

Area of risk management
Capital risk
Note C1 Share capital
Market risk
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Liquidity risk
Note C3 Financial Instruments
Credit risk
Note C3 Financial Instruments

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The notes include information that is required to understand the consolidated financial statements and is material and relevant to the operations, financial position and performance of the Group. Information is considered material if omitting, misstating or obscuring it could reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the primary users of general purpose financial statements make on the basis of those financial statements, which provide financial information about a specific reporting entity. These include, for example:

- the amount in question is significant because of its size or nature;
- it is important for understanding the results of the Group;
- it helps to explain the impact of significant changes in the Group's business; and/or
- it relates to an aspect of the Group's operations that is important to its future performance.

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#### A. FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE



#### A1. Segment reporting and non-NZ GAAP measure

Operating segments are identified based on the nature of the internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision-maker. The chief operating decision-maker of the Group has been identified as the Chief Executive Officer. Based on the internal reporting to the Chief Executive Officer, the Group is considered to have one operating segment.

The revenue earned from customers contributing greater than 10% of the Group's revenue for the year ended 31 March 2024 was \$84.4 million (2023: \$74.5 million).

The Group refers to a non-NZ GAAP financial measure of earnings before interest, tax, depreciation, amortisation, change in fair value of financial instruments, revaluations, impairments, gain/(loss) on sale of assets and subvention payment (EBITDAF) within these consolidated financial statements. The Board and management consider it a useful non-NZ GAAP financial measure as it shows the contribution to earnings prior to non-cash items, cost of financing and subvention and is used by management, in conjunction with other measures, to monitor financial performance. The limited use of this non-NZ GAAP measure is intended to supplement NZ GAAP measures and is not a substitute for NZ GAAP measures. As these measures are not defined by NZ GAAP, NZ IFRS, or any other body of accounting standards, the Group's calculations may differ from similarly titled measures presented by other companies.

	2024	2023
	\$000	\$000
Net profit/(loss) after taxation	(28,844)	25,243
Subvention payment	23,336	-
Net financing expense	31,012	26,104
Taxation expense	49,052	6,293
Depreciation	29,862	28,800
Investment property revaluation net decrease	2,700	3,062
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	101
EBITDAF	107,118	89,603



#### A2. Revenue

Revenue is earned from aircraft movement and terminal charges, retail, hotel and trading activities and property leases.

#### Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognised as the amount of consideration expected to be received in exchange for transferring promised goods or services to a customer.

#### Aircraft movement and terminal charges

Airfield movement, passenger charges and aircraft parking charges are recognised as revenue when the passenger travels or the airport facilities are used. These include recognition of airline pricing incentives to the extent the Group's performance obligations have been met in the period.

The revenue for the year ended 31 March 2024 includes \$4.0 million (2023: \$2.7 million) in relation to deferred airline charges. These are expected to be recovered in WIAL's PSE5 airline pricing period which commenced on 1 April 2024 and expires 31 March 2029.

#### Hotel and other trading activities

Hotel and other trading activities includes revenue earned from the airport's hotel and access to the airport's car parking facilities. Revenue from the hotel is recognised at the point in time the service is delivered. Revenue from car parking is recognised at the point in time where the utilisation of car parking facilities have been completed.

#### Retail concession fees

Retail concession fees are recognised as revenue on an accrual basis based upon passenger throughput or the turnover of the concessionaires.

#### Property rent and lease income

Rental revenue, net of lease incentives, is recognised on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

#### Interest income

Interest income is recognised as it accrues, using the effective interest rate method.

Total contract and other revenue	2024	2023
	\$000	\$000
Aircraft movement and terminal charges	86,013	77,307
Hotel and other trading activities	40,710	38,769
Total contract revenue	126,723	116,076
Retail concession fees	13,579	8,066
Property rent and lease income	18,856	15,686
Total revenue	159,158	139,828

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#### A3. Operating expenses

The Group incurs operating expenses in delivering its services as an integrated airport to various airlines and other airport users. The main components comprising operating expenses are outlined below.

	2024	2023
Fees paid to external auditors:	\$000	\$000
Audit of statutory financial statements	226	210
Taxation and other services	32	85
Regulatory and assurance services (Note 1)	38	36
Directors' fees	655	624
Regulatory compliance and airline pricing consultation	312	409
Marketing and development	2,298	2,041
Cleaning and energy	3,246	3,168
Rates and insurance	12,302	11,013
Repairs and maintenance	2,396	2,419
Software support	2,012	1,812
Noise mitigation program	1,761	1,635
Expected credit loss provision	120	380
Administration and other expenses	10,594	11,126
Total operating expenses	35,992	34,958

Note 1 - Includes reasonable assurance opinion for WIAL's regulatory annual disclosures.



#### A4. Employee remuneration and benefits

Provision is made for benefits accruing to employees in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave and long service leave when it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount can be measured reliably. Provisions made in respect of employee benefits expected to be settled within 12 months are measured at their nominal values using the remuneration rate expected to apply at the time of settlement. In addition, the company operates an executive long term, non-equity based incentive scheme.

Accrued employee benefits	2024	2023
	\$000	\$000
Salaries and wages	4,376	2,711
Annual and long service leave	1,152	1,082
Total accrued employee benefits at the end of the year	5,528	3,793

### Key management personnel disclosures

Key management personnel include the Directors of WIAL, the Chief Executive Officer and those personnel reporting directly to the Chief Executive Officer. The Directors' fees for the year ended 31 March 2024 of \$654,759 (2023: \$623,580) disclosed in Note A3 are included within short-term employee benefits as they form part of the remuneration to key management personnel.

Key management personnel benefits	2024	2023
	\$000	\$000
Short-term employee benefits	3,679	3,338
Long-term employee benefits	1,500	1,800
Key management personnel benefits expense for the year	5,179	5,138

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#### A5. Taxation

Current and deferred tax is recognised in profit or loss in the Statement of Comprehensive Income, except when it relates to items credited or debited directly to equity or in Other Comprehensive Income, in which case the deferred tax or current tax is also recognised directly in equity or in other comprehensive income. Current tax is the expected tax (payable)/receivable on the taxable income/(loss) for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantially enacted at the balance date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Taxation expense	(49,052)	(6,293)
Deferred taxation	(41,150)	(2,944)
Current taxation	(7,902)	(3,349)
Taxation expense	(49,052)	(6,293)
Over/(under) provision in prior years	5,274	2,963
Loss offset	1,253	431
Deferred tax impact from reversal of depreciation on buildings <sup>1</sup>	(44,128)	-
Taxation effect of non deductible items	741	(857)
Subvention payment made in respect of prior period	(6,534)	-
Taxation at 28%	(5,658)	(8,830)
Net profit before taxation	20,208	31,536
	\$000	\$000
	2024	2023

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> On 28 March 2024, the Government approved legislation which removes the deductibility of depreciation on buildings for tax purposes, for buildings not primarily used for residential accommodation. This was substantively enacted by 31 March 2024 and the tax depreciation rate is 0%. As at 31 March 2024, the impact of this change decreases the tax base for these assets, giving rise to an increased temporary difference between the carrying cost and tax base and results in an increase in deferred tax liability and an increase in tax expense of \$44.1 million.



Deferred tax is recognised in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts for taxation purposes. Income taxes relating to items recognised in Other Comprehensive Income or directly in equity are recognised in Other Comprehensive Income or directly in equity and not in the profit or loss. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at balance date.

	Property, plant and equipment	Investment properties	Derivative financial instruments	Accrued employee benefits	Deferred tax asset on tax losses	Other	Total
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Balance at 1 April 2023	(136,745)	(1,086)	(2,405)	1,128	585	871	(137,652)
Recognised in profit and loss	(41,703)	(101)	(35)	688	102	(101)	(41,150)
Recognised in Other Comprehensive Income	(12,670)	-	(54)	-	-	-	(12,724)
Balance at 31 March 2024	(191,118)	(1,187)	(2,494)	1,816	687	770	(191,526)
Balance at 1 April 2022	(129,669)	(2,492)	(498)	430	3,529	558	(128,142)
Recognised in profit and loss	1,885	1,406	(90)	698	(2,944)	313	1,268
Recognised in Other Comprehensive Income	(8,961)	-	(1,817)	-	-	-	(10,778)
Balance at 31 March 2023	(136,745)	(1,086)	(2,405)	1,128	585	871	(137,652)

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#### B. FIXED ASSETS

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#### B1. Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment is initially measured at cost and subsequently recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, or at fair value less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Fair value is determined by independent external valuation experts or by management, using recognised valuation techniques. An external expert is engaged to provide a valuation if management does not have sufficient expertise to perform the valuation. Independent external valuations are undertaken on a systematic basis at least every five years. In the intervening years, a material change assessment of each asset class is performed to assess whether carrying amounts differ materially from fair value. This assessment is undertaken by management with assistance from external experts and includes reference to key indices including the capital goods price index and construction index, internal discounted cash flow models, land values and investment property (as relevant to each class of asset) as an indicator of material change in fair value is identified, a fair value adjustment is recognised in the Asset Revaluation Reserve and included in Other Comprehensive Income or in profit or loss to bring carrying value materially in line with fair value.

#### Depreciation



Depreciation is calculated systematically on a straight-line basis to allocate the cost or revalued amount of an asset, less any residual value, over its estimated useful life. Land and certain civil foundation works are not depreciated.

The Group makes estimates of the remaining useful lives of assets. The major depreciation periods are as follows:

Building ancillary services2-30 yearsBuildings40-60 yearsCivil works2-120 yearsVehicles, plant and equipment3-40 years

Individual asset remaining useful lives and residual values are assessed at least annually

#### Capitalised interest

For the year ended 31 March 2024, capitalised borrowing costs relating to capital work in progress, as referred to in Note C2, amounted to \$2.3 million (2023: \$1.8 million), with an average interest rate of 4.7% per annum (2023: 4.1% per annum).



#### Valuation of property, plant and equipment

A description of the valuation approaches and key assumptions for each asset class are detailed in the tables on page 14 and page 15.



There were no independent external revaluations performed as at 31 March 2024. The table on page 16 provides information on the latest independent external valuations undertaken for each asset class. At 31 March 2024, a material change assessment was performed for each asset class. A summary is provided below.

#### Land

The Group's assessment of land includes reference to NZ and Wellington house price indices published by Real Estate Institute of NZ, changes in commercial and industrial property values and consideration of other key inputs. Using the last independent external valuation performed for the year ended 31 March 2023 as a base, further work was performed to estimate fair value including an assessment of key inputs into land value. An increase in MVAU rate per hectare to \$2.86 million (2023: \$2.74 million) was adopted and was based on increases across residential, commercial and industrial property. There has been no change to other key inputs from the prior year. Airport developers WACC has been held at 12.2%. Based on this, a fair value increase of \$25.5 million (2023: \$74.1 million) has been made to the carrying value of land and recognised in the Asset Revaluation Reserve and Other Comprehensive Income.

#### Buildings

Buildings are assessed as three main components; (a) Specialised buildings, (b) Vehicle business and (c) Hotel business assets.

- (a) Specialised buildings based on the Group's assessment which includes reference to the capital goods price index and consumer price index, a fair value increase of \$12.6 million has been made to the carrying value of these assets in the Asset Revaluation Reserve and Other Comprehensive Income (2023: \$29.4 million).
- (b) Vehicle business assets based on the Group's assessment which includes reference to passenger forecasts and discounted cash flow modelling, a fair value increase of \$20.0 million has been made to the carrying value of these assets in the Asset Revaluation Reserve and Other Comprehensive Income (2023: \$2.7 million).
- (c) Hotel business assets based on the Group's assessment which includes reference to passenger forecasts and discounted cash flow modelling, a fair value increase of \$3.6 million has been made to the carrying value of these assets in the Asset Revaluation Reserve and Other Comprehensive Income (2023: \$8.1 million).

#### **Civil Assets**

Based on the Group's assessment, which includes reference to the NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi Construction index and the Producers Price index, a fair value increase of \$9.1 million has been made to the carrying value of these assets in the Asset Revaluation Reserve and Other Comprehensive Income (2023: \$16.9 million).

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The major inputs and assumptions that form the basis of determining fair value and the relevant relationship of the inputs requiring judgement are outlined in the table below.

#### Description of different valuation approaches

Discounted cash flow (DCF)	A valuation methodology which requires the application of financial modelling techniques. Discounted cash flow analysis requires assumptions to be made regarding the prospective income and expenses of a property. Such assumptions pertain to the quantity, quality, variability, timing, and duration of inflows and outflows over an assumed period. The assessed cash flows are discounted to present value at an appropriate, market-derived discount rate to determine fair value.
Income capitalisation approach (Cap rate)	A valuation methodology which determines fair value by capitalising an asset's sustainable net income at an appropriate, market derived capitalisation rate based on an analysis of sales of comparable assets.
Optimised depreciated replacement costs (ODRC)	A valuation methodology whereby fair value is determined by calculating the cost of constructing a modern equivalent asset at current market based input cost rates, adjusted for the remaining useful life of the assets (depreciation) and any sub-optimal usage of the assets in their current application (optimisation).
Market value existing use approach (MVEU)	A valuation methodology whereby fair value, based on the highest and best alternative use (MVAU), is determined as the estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's length transaction plus consenting and holding costs to provide land suitable for airport use. The consenting and holding costs are derived by the valuer using assumptions regarding the direct costs of obtaining consent, the developer's weighted average cost of capital and the holding period for conversion to airport use.

#### Fair value hierarchy levels

The Group discloses fair value measurements by level of the following fair value measurement hierarchy:

- Level 1 Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices); or
- Level 3 Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs).

There were no transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy during the year ended 31 March 2024 (2023: none).

#### Unobservable inputs

The valuation methodology adopted by the Group makes use of inputs which do not have any market data available and are developed using the best information available that market participants would use when evaluating pricing.

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#### B1. Property, plant and equipment (continued)

The following table summarises the valuation approach and key assumptions used by the independent valuers to arrive at fair value at the date of the last independent external valuation. Where material change assessments have been performed in the year ended 31 March 2024, further detail has been provided under the respective asset classes below.

Description	Valuation approach	Fair value hierarchy level	Significant unobservable inputs		Sensitivity valuation impact	Relationship of unobservable inputs to fair value	
			At last in	dependent external	valuation		
Land							
Aeronautical land - used for airport activities and specialised aeronautical assets.  Non-aeronautical land - used for non-aeronautical purposes e.g. industrial, service, retail, residential and land associated with the vehicle business.		3	Average MVAU rate per hectare  Developer's	\$2.74 million per hectare	equates to +/- \$28.0m A 5% change	The higher the rate per hectare, the higher the fair value.  The higher the WACC rate, the	
	MVEU		WACC rate		equates to +/- \$15.0m	higher the fair value.	
			Holding period	6 years	A 6 month change equates to +/- \$22.0m	The longer the holding period, the higher the fair value.	

Last external valuation undertaken as at 31 March 2023 by independent valuers, CBRE Limited. As noted on page 13, for the year ended 31 March 2024, a material change assessment has been undertaken and further work carried out to estimate fair value which has resulted in a fair value increase of \$25.5 million. In relation to the value at 31 March 2024, a 5% change in average MVAU rate per hectare equates to +/- \$29 million in fair value.

Civil						
Civil works include sea protection and site services, excluding such site services to the extent that they would otherwise create duplication of value.	ODRC	3	Average cost rates per sqm for concrete, asphalt, base course and foundations		A 5% change equates to +/- \$9.5m	The higher the average cost rates, the higher the fair value.
			Estimated remaining useful life	Average remaining useful life 30 years	A 5% change equates to +/- \$9.5m	The longer the estimated remaining useful life, the higher the fair value.

Last external valuation undertaken as at 31 March 2020 by independent valuers, WSP Opus International Consultants Limited. As noted on page 13, for the year ended 31 March 2024, a material change assessment has been undertaken, and further work carried out which resulted in a fair value increase of \$9.1 million. In relation to the value at 31 March 2024, a 5% change in the indices referenced equates to +/- \$0.5 million in fair value.

			Average modern	Specialised	A 5% change	The higher the modern
Specialised buildings used for identified airport activities. Non specialised buildings used for purposes other than for identified airport activities, including space allocated within the main terminal building for retail activities, offices and storage.	ODRC	3	equivalent asset rate per sqm	\$9,273	equates to +/- \$15.7m	equivalent asset rate, the higher the fair value.
				Non specialised \$2,089	A 5% change equates to +/- \$0.2m	The higher the modern equivalent asset rate, the higher the fair value.
Vehicle business assets associated with car parking and taxi, shuttle and bus services (excluding land and civil).	DCF and Cap rate	3	Revenue growth	2.20%	A 5% change equates to +/- \$0.5m	The higher the assumed revenue growth, the higher the fair value.
			Cost growth	2.12%	A 5% change equates to +/- \$0.5m	The higher the assumed cost growth, the lower the fair value
			Discount rate	9.75%	A 5% change equates to +/- \$4.8m	The higher the discount rate, the lower the fair value.
			Income capitalisation rate	7.75%	A 5% change equates to +/- \$7.5m	An increase in the capitalisation rate will decrease the fair value.

Last external valuation undertaken as at 31 March 2023 by independent valuers, CBRE Limited. As noted on page 13, for the year ended 31 March 2024, a material change assessment has been undertaken, and further work carried out which resulted in a fair value increase of \$32.6 million. In relation to the value of specialised buildings at 31 March 2024, a 5% change in the indices referenced equates to +/- \$0.6 million in fair value. In relation to the value of vehicle business assets, a 5% change in passenger and cashflow forecasts equates to +/- \$8.8 million in fair value.

Hotel business assets	DCF and Cap rate	2	Income capitalisation rate	7.25%	equates to +/-	An increase in the capitalisation rate will decrease the fair value.
	DOF and Cap rate	3	Discount rate	9.25%	A 5% change equates to +/- \$0.8m	The higher the discount rate, the lower the fair value.

Last external valuation undertaken as at 31 March 2023 by independent valuers, CBRE Limited. As noted on page 13, for the year ended 31 March 2024, a material change assessment has been undertaken which resulted in a fair value increase of \$3.6 million based on updated forecast cash flows. In relation to the value of hotel business assets, a 5% change in cashflow forecasts equates to +/- \$1.3 million in fair value.

Vehicles, plant and equipment						
Vehicles, plant and equipment comprises a mixture of specialised and non-specialised assets.	Cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses					

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#### B1. Property, plant and equipment (continued)

A reconciliation of movements for each class of the Group's assets during the reporting period is outlined below.

	Land at	t Civil at	Buildings at	Vehicles, Plant and Equipment	Capital work in progress	Total
	fair value	fair value	fair value	at cost	at cost	
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Cost or valuation						
Balance at 1 April 2023	571,200	270,320	600,774	81,314	69,672	1,593,280
Additions <sup>1</sup>	-	-	-	-	62,610	62,610
Transfer from capital work in progress <sup>1</sup>	5,800	28,859	20,842	1,125	(56,626)	-
Movement in asset revaluation through Other Comprehensive Income	25,548	9,086	36,207	-	-	70,841
Balance at 31 March 2024	602,548	308,265	657,823	82,439	75,656	1,726,731
Accumulated depreciation and impairment losses						
Balance at 1 April 2023		25,468	_	65,014		90,482
Depreciation for the year		8,302	16,842	4,718		29,862
Balance at 31 March 2024	-	33,770	16,842	69,732	-	120,344
Net book value at 31 March 2024	602,548	274,495	640,981	12,707	75,656	1,606,387
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Cost or valuation						
Balance at 1 April 2022	465,261	242,372	645,333	78,925	57,191	1,489,082
Additions	-	-	-	-	69,691	69,691
Transfer from capital work in progress	31,884	11,048	8,639	2,389	(53,960)	-
Transfer from property, plant and equipment to investment property					(3,250)	(3,250)
Movement in asset revaluation through Other Comprehensive Income	74,055	16,900	(53,198)	-	-	37,757
Balance at 31 March 2023	571,200	270,320	600,774	81,314	69,672	1,593,280
Accumulated depreciation and impairment losses						
Balance at 1 April 2022	-	17,236	53,599	59,150	-	129,985
Depreciation for the year	-	8,232	14,704	5,864	-	28,800
Movement in asset revaluation through Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	(68,303)	-	-	(68,303)
Balance at 31 March 2023	-	25,468	-	65,014	-	90,482
Net book value at 31 March 2023	571,200	244,852	600,774	16,300	69,672	1,502,798

At 31 March 2024, had assets been carried at historic cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, their carrying amount would have been \$145.0 million for land (2023: \$139.2 million), \$201.5 million for civil assets (2023: \$178.5 million) and \$339.7 million for buildings (2023: \$328.3 million).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Land assets includes land purchased from Miramar Golf Club. During the year, the Group made a part payment for a portion of the land. Settlement and possession of the remainder is expected to be completed in the year ending 31 March 2025. The amount payable is recognised as a current liability in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position.

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#### **B2. Investment properties**

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Investment properties are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at fair value with any change recognised in profit or loss. Investment properties are revalued annually at fair value as determined by an independent valuer.

	Notes	Owned Property	Right-of-use assets	2024	2023
		\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Balance at the beginning of the year		97,421	34,761	132,182	108,147
Additions of investment properties		-	-	-	3,596
Transfer from capital work in progress to investment properties		-	-	-	3,250
Disposals	D2	(4,200)	-	(4,200)	(990)
Lease modification		-	-	-	21,241
Investment properties revaluation net (decrease)/increase		(2,700)	-	(2,700)	(3,062)
Balance at the end of the year		90,521	34,761	125,282	132,182
Amounts recognised in profit or loss (excluding revaluations):				2024	2023
Rental income from investment properties				9,387	8,243
Direct operating expenses arising from investment properties				(3,794)	(1,865)
Net amount recognised in profit or loss (excluding revaluations)				5,593	6,378

The Right-of-use assets relate to the Group's ground leases that meet the definition of investment property.

#### Valuation of investment properties



The fair value of investment properties is estimated each year by an independent valuer, Jones Lang LaSalle, which reflects market conditions at balance date. Changes to market conditions or to assumptions made in the estimation of fair value will result in changes to the fair value of the investment properties.

As part of the valuation process, the Group has provided information to the valuer, including current tenants, rent agreements and lease terms based on information available at the time of preparing these financial statements. This valuation is based on a discounted cash flow and capitalisation rate approach.

The following table summarises the valuation approach and key assumptions used by the valuer to arrive at fair value:

		Fair value					
Description	Valuation approach	hierarchy level	Significant unobser	rvable inputs	Relationship of unobservable inputs to fair value		
Investment Properties							
Properties held for investment income earning purposes.		3	Weighted average discount rate	7.66% (2023: 7.56%)	An increase in the discount rate will decrease the fair value.		
	DCF and Cap rate		Weighted average income capitalisation rate		An increase in the capitalisation rate will decrease the fair value.		
			Weighted average lease term	,	An increase in the average lease term will ordinarily increase the fair value.		
Last external valuation undertaken as at 31 March 2024 by independent valuers, Jones Lang LaSalle.							

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#### C. FUNDING

#### C1. Share capital

	2024	2023
	\$000	\$000
Share capital is represented by:		
Total issued and authorised capital at the beginning and end of the year 40,155,942 ordinary shares	9,050	9,050
Balance at the end of the year	9,050	9,050

All ordinary shares have equal voting rights and share equally in dividends and equity. All shares have no par value.

#### Capital risk



The Group's capital includes share capital, reserves, retained earnings and loans and borrowings. The key factors in determining the Group's optimal capital structure are quality and dependability of earnings and cash flows, appropriate credit rating, capital needs and available sources, relative cost of capital and ability to withstand business shocks. The Group is subject to certain compliance ratios relevant to its bank facility agreements, USPP Note Purchase Agreement, Negative Pledge Deed Poll and Trust Deeds applicable to the bond borrowings.

#### C2. Loans and borrowings



Loans and borrowings are recorded at amortised cost. Fees and other costs incurred in raising debt finance are capitalised and amortised over the term of the relevant debt instrument or debt facility.

Borrowing costs are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred using the effective interest rate method except to the extent that they are capitalised. Borrowing costs that are directly attributable to construction projects of a qualifying asset are capitalised as part of the cost of the assets, as set out in Note B1.

			2024	2023	2024	2023
	Issue Date	Maturity	Interest Rate	Interest Rate	\$000	\$000
Drawn bank facilities	Refer table on page 21		Floating	Floating	-	-
Retail bonds WIA030	12-May-16	12-May-23	4.25%	4.25%	-	75,000
Retail bonds WIA040	5-Aug-16	5-Aug-24	4.00%	4.00%	60,000	60,000
Retail bonds WIA050	16-Dec-16	16-Jun-25	5.00%	5.00%	70,000	70,000
Retail bonds WIA060*	1-Apr-19	1-Apr-30	4.00%	4.00%	98,134	96,969
Retail bonds WIA070	14-Aug-20	14-Aug-26	2.50%	2.50%	100,000	100,000
Retail bonds WIA080**	24-Sep-21	24-Sep-31	3.32%	3.32%	121,709	120,515
Retail bonds WIA090	24-Feb-23	24-Aug-28	5.78%	5.78%	75,000	75,000
Retail bonds WIA100	4-Mar-24	4-Sep-30	6.02%	-	100,000	-
USPP Notes - Series A (US\$36 million)	27-Jul-17	27-Jul-27	3.47%	3.47%	55,238	53,659
USPP Notes - Series B (US\$36 million)	27-Jul-17	27-Jul-29	3.59%	3.59%	55,238	53,659
Total borrowings at face value					735,319	704,802
Unamortised transaction costs					(3,457)	(4,356)
Carrying value of borrowings					731,862	700,446
Current					60,000	75,000
Non-current					671,862	625,446

<sup>\*</sup>The interest rate of the WIA060 bonds is fixed at 4.00% for the first six years and then reset on 1 April 2025 for a further five years. The interest rate for the period from 1 April 2025 until maturity date will be the sum of the base rate (5 year mid-market rate for NZD interest rate swap from reset date to maturity date) plus a margin of 1.95%.

#### Retail Bonds

Borrowings under the retail bond programme are supported by a Master Trust Deed and supplemented by the Supplemental Trust Deeds (the "Trust Deeds") entered into between WIAL and Trustees Executors Limited (the "Supervisor"). The Retail Bonds are unsecured and unsubordinated. At 31 March 2024, the retail bonds had a fair value of \$616.6 million (2023: \$581.0 million), based on the NZDX valuation at balance date. This fair value measurement is categorised as level 1 within the fair value hierarchy. During the period the Group issued retail bonds of \$100 million (WIA100 issued on 4 March 2024) at a coupon rate of 6.02%. Funds from this bond issue were used to repay maturing retail bonds with the remaining currently held in cash and short-term investments.

#### USPP Notes

WIAL's USPP comprised two equal tranches, a US\$36 million 10 year Note with a coupon of 3.47% and a US\$36 million 12 year Note with a coupon of 3.59%. In conjunction with the USPP issuance, WIAL entered into Cross Currency Interest Rate Swaps (CCIRS) to hedge the exposure to foreign currency risk over the term of the notes. These are described in more detail below in note C3.

At 31 March 2024, the USPP Notes had a fair value of \$117.4 million (2023: \$115.3 million). This debt is carried in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at amortised cost, translated to New Zealand dollars using foreign exchange rates at balance date.

<sup>\*\*</sup>The interest rate of the WIA080 bonds is fixed at 3.32% for the first five years and then reset on 24 September 2026 for a further five years. The interest rate for the period from 24 September 2026 until maturity date will be the sum of the base rate (5 year mid-market rate for NZD interest rate swap from reset date to maturity date) plus a margin of 1.50%.

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#### C2. Loans and borrowings (continued)

#### **Bank Facilities**

As at 31 March 2024 the Group has bank facilities amounting to \$100 million (2023: \$100 million), with nil drawn at 31 March 2024 (31 March 2023: Nil). The Company's debt includes unsecured and unsubordinated bank facilities with a negative pledge arrangement, which with limited exceptions does not permit the Company to grant security over its assets. The bank facilities require the borrower to maintain certain levels of shareholder funds and operate within defined performance and gearing ratios. The banking arrangements also include restrictions over the sale or disposal of certain assets.

WIAL's bank facilities are sustainability linked which creates direct financial incentives by aligning interest rates with agreed sustainability targets.

Interest rates payable on bank loan facilities are floating rate determined by reference to prevailing money market rates at the time of draw-down plus a margin. Interest rates paid during the year ranged from 6.48% to 6.54% (2023: Nil).

#### Financial Covenants and Other Restrictions

Bank facilities and the US\$72 million USPP Notes have certain financial covenants which were all met during the year and as at 31 March 2024.

#### C3. Financial instruments

#### **Derivatives and hedging activities**



Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently measured to their fair value at the end of each reporting period. The accounting for subsequent changes in fair value depends on whether the derivative is designated as a hedging instrument, and if so, the nature of the item being hedged. The fair value of a hedging derivative is classified as a non-current asset or liability when the remaining maturity of the hedged item is more than 12 months; it is classified as a current asset or liability when the remaining maturity of the hedged item is less than 12 months.

#### Cash flow hedges that qualify for hedge accounting

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges is recognised in the cash flow hedge reserve within equity. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in profit or loss, within other finance income.

#### Fair value hedges that qualify for hedge accounting

The hedging instruments are remeasured to fair value as at balance date. The carrying amounts of the hedged items are adjusted for gains and losses attributable to the risk being hedged. Gains and losses arising from both are taken to the profit or loss.

As at 31 March 2024, all of the derivative financial instruments held by the group were in designated hedging relationships.

The Group has the following derivative financial instruments in hedging relationships:	2024	2023
	\$000	\$000
Non-current assets		
Cross currency interest rate swaps - cash flow and fair value hedges	10,179	6,945
Interest rate swaps - cash flow hedges	9,555	9,427
Non-current liabilities		
Interest rate swaps - fair value hedges	(4,940)	(7,447)
Net assets/(liabilities)	14,794	8,925



As at 31 March 2024, the Group has interest rate swaps with maturities up to September 2031. The fair value of these derivative financial instruments is calculated based on a discounted cash flow analysis using market prices, observable yield curves and market-quoted foreign exchange rates. The fair value measurement of derivatives is categorised as level 2 within the fair value hierarchy and there were no transfers between levels of the hierarchy during the year ended 31 March 2024 (2023: Nil).

The following amounts comprise Other Finance Income in the Statement of Comprehensive Income:

	2024	2023
	\$000	\$000
Foreign exchange (loss)/gain on USPP Notes	(5,387)	(11,236)
Increase/(decrease) in cross currency interest rate swaps	5,387	11,236
Hedge ineffectiveness of interest rate swaps (including cross currency interest rate swaps)	160	242
Other finance expense	22	(247)
Fair value movement of managed funds	688	108
Total other finance income/(expense)	870	103

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#### C3. Financial instruments (continued)

Hedge effectiveness and ineffectiveness

Hedge effectiveness is determined at the inception of the hedge relationship, and through periodic prospective effectiveness assessments to ensure that an economic relationship exists between the hedged item and hedging instrument. The Group enters into interest rate swaps that have similar critical terms as the hedged item, using this as a basis of assessing the economic relationship between the hedged item and the hedging instrument for the purpose of assessing hedge effectiveness.

Hedge ineffectiveness may arise due to credit value/debit value adjustments on the interest rate swaps, and differences in critical terms between the interest rate swaps and loans.

#### Financial Risk Management

As a result of its business activities, the Group has exposure to the following risks:

- Market risk
- Liquidity risk
- Credit risk

The following paragraphs present information about the Group's exposure to each of the above risks and the Group's management of such exposure.

#### Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as interest rates or foreign exchange rates will affect the Group's cash flows and earnings,



#### Interest rate risk (cash flow and fair value)

The Group's exposure to market risk from changes in interest rates relates primarily to the loans and borrowings. Loans and borrowings issued at variable interest rates expose the Group to changes in interest rates. The Group's policy is to manage its interest rate exposure by issuing borrowings at fixed interest rates or entering into derivative financial instruments to convert the majority of floating rate exposures to fixed rate. At 31 March 2024, 86.3% (2023: 85.7%) of the borrowings (including the effect of the derivative financial instruments) were subject to fixed interest rates, which are defined as borrowings with an interest reset date greater than one year.

	2024	2023
At balance date the interest rate contracts outstanding were:	\$000	\$000
Interest rate swaps notional value	300,000	300,000
Fair value of interest rate swaps asset/(liability)	4,615	1,980
Change in fair value of outstanding hedging instruments	2,635	4,369
Change in value of hedged item used to determine hedge effectiveness	(2,788)	(4,520)
Cross currency interest rate swaps notional value	99,751	99,751
Fair value of cross currency interest rate swaps asset/(liability)	10,179	6,945
Change in fair value of outstanding hedging instruments	3,234	5,321
Change in value of hedged item used to determine hedge effectiveness	(3,234)	(5,276)

#### Sensitivity analysis for variable rate instruments

A change of 100 basis points in NZ interest rates for the year to the reporting date would have increased/(decreased) profit or loss or equity by the amounts shown below. This analysis assumes that all other variables remain constant.

	2024	2024	2023	2023
	100 bp increase	100 bp decrease	100 bp increase	100 bp decrease
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Impact on profit or loss before taxation				
Floating rate debt	(141)	141	-	-
Interest rate swaps & cross currency interest rate swaps	(998)	998	(998)	998
Net profit or loss sensitivity	(1,139)	1,139	(998)	998
Impact on equity before taxation				
Cross currency interest rate swaps	(4,376)	4,582	(5,210)	5,506
Interest rate swaps	4,755	(5,189)	4,456	(4,961)
Equity sensitivity	379	(607)	(754)	545

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#### C3. Financial instruments (continued)



#### Foreign currency risk (cash flow and fair value)

The Group has exposure to foreign currency risk resulting from the issue of USPP Notes. This exposure has been fully hedged by way of cross-currency interest rate swaps, hedging US dollar exposure on both principal and interest. The cross currency interest rate swaps correspond in amount and maturity to the USPP notes with no residual foreign currency risk exposure.

#### Sensitivity analysis for foreign currency instruments

The following sensitivity analysis is based on the foreign currency risk exposures in existence at the reporting date. At 31 March 2024, had the NZ dollar moved, with all other variables held constant, equity would have been affected as follows. A movement of plus or minus 10% has been determined as plausible based on analysis of historical US dollar to NZ dollar fluctuations over the previous two years to 31 March 2024.

	2024	2024	2023	2023
	10%	10%	10%	10%
	increase	decrease	increase	decrease
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Impact on equity before taxation				
Cross currency interest rate swaps	(10,783)	13,179	(10,616)	12,975
Equity sensitivity	(10,783)	13,179	(10,616)	12,975



#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk refers to the potential inability of the Group to meet its financial obligations when they fall due, under normal or abnormal/stressed operating conditions. Liquidity risk is monitored by regularly forecasting cash flows and matching the maturity profiles of financial assets and liabilities. The Group's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due and support its capital programme, under both normal and stress conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Group's reputation. The Group manages this risk by maintaining sufficient cash, the availability of funding through an adequate amount of undrawn bank facilities, the spreading of debt maturities and its credit standing in capital markets. As at 31 March 2024, WIAL has a BBB/Stable/A-2, rating from S&P Global Ratings (31 March 2023: BBB/Stable/A-2).

The arrangements in place are outlined by maturity and amount in the table below.

Bank facilities	2024	2024	2023	2023
	Facility	Drawn	Facility	Drawn
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Between 0-1 year	70,000	-	-	-
Between 1-2 years	30,000	-	70,000	-
Between 2-5 years	-	-	30,000	-
Over 5 years	-	-	-	-
Total	100,000	-	100,000	-

The table below categorises the Group's financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period to the earliest possible contractual maturity date. The amounts in the table below are disclosed as contractual undiscounted cash flows and include interest through to maturity.

		Contractual cash					More than 5
	Balance sheet	flows	6 months or less	6-12 months	1-2 years	2-5 years	years
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
At 31 March 2024							
Trade and other payables	40,038	40,038	40,038	-	-	-	-
Retail bonds	624,843	780,589	73,453	12,253	93,855	241,760	359,268
USPP Notes	110,476	118,951	2,125	2,125	4,251	59,494	50,956
Interest rate swaps	4,940	5,612	1,910	1,846	1,340	516	-
Lease liabilities	33,751	95,115	1,166	1,166	2,332	6,997	83,454
Total contractual cash flows		1,040,305	118,692	17,390	101,778	308,767	493,678
At 31 March 2023							
Trade and other payables	30,931	30,931	30,931	-	-	-	-
Retail bonds	598,220	731,437	87,036	10,443	79,685	218,793	335,480
USPP Notes	102,226	122,156	2,030	2,030	4,061	61,060	52,975
Interest rate swaps	7,447	6,513	1,631	1,625	2,638	619	-
Lease liabilities	33,914	97,454	1,166	1,166	2,332	6,997	85,793
Other liabilities	21,000	21,000	-	21,000	-	-	-
Total contractual cash flows		1.009.491	122.794	36.264	88.716	287.469	474.248

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#### C3. Financial instruments (continued)



#### Credit risk

The Group is exposed to credit risk in the normal course of business arising from trade receivables with its customers, financial derivatives and transactions (including cash balances) with financial institutions. Maximum exposures to credit risk at 31 March 2024 relate to bank balances and short-term investments of \$92.2 million (2023: \$126.8 million) and trade receivables of \$19.0 million (2023: \$13.9 million). No security is held for these amounts.

Cash and short-term investments are held with counterparties approved under the Group's Treasury Policy. At 31 March 2024 cash and short-term investments were held with ANZ Bank New Zealand, Bank of New Zealand, Capital Security Bank, MUFG Bank, Auckland Branch, and managed fund investments. Derivative and cash transactions are limited to high credit-quality financial institutions. The Group's exposure and the credit ratings of counterparties are monitored, and the aggregate value of transactions are spread amongst approved counterparties in accordance with the Treasury Policy.

#### Short-term investments

 term deposits
 45,000
 4,105

 Managed fund investments - designated at fair value through profit or loss 1
 6,994
 4,105

The Group has exposure to various counterparties in the ordinary course of business. Concentration of credit risk with respect to trade receivables is concentrated in a small number of accounts because the Group has a limited range of customers. At 31 March 2024, 78.2% of trade receivables were due from the top ten largest debtors (2023: 74%) and 9.2% of trade receivables were overdue (2023: 14.4%). The Group actively manages and monitors its accounts receivable on an ongoing basis. The Group is not exposed to any other concentrations of credit risk.



Impairment of financial assets

The Group applies the "simplified approach" for including a general provision for expected credit losses (ECL) as prescribed by NZ IFRS 9 as its financial assets do not include a significant financing component. For the Group, the ECL model applies to its trade receivables and contract assets. The simplified approach uses a lifetime expected loss allowance for all trade receivables and contract assets. To measure the expected credit losses, trade receivables and contract assets have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due.



An assessment was undertaken on trade debtors and sundry receivables to assess customers' ability to meet repayments including a high-level assessment on the ability to trade in the future. As a result, the Group has recognised a provision for Expected Credit Losses of \$1.8 million (2023: \$1.7 million).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This fair value measurement is classified as level 1 within the fair value hierarchy.

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#### D. OTHER NOTES

#### D1. Subsidiaries

D1. Substitiaties	Balance Date	2024 Holding	2023 Holding	Principal activity	Country of incorporation
WANT Limited	31 March	100%	100%	Noise mitigation	New Zealand
Whare Manaakitanga Limited	31 March	100%	100%	Hotel	New Zealand
Meitaki Limited	31 March	100%	100%	Captive Insurance	Cook Islands

The Land Use Management and Insulation for Airport Noise Study was undertaken by WIAL in conjunction with its airlines, Board of Airline Representatives New Zealand Inc, Wellington City Council and the local Air Noise Management Committee in order to fulfil WIAL's obligations arising from Environment Court proceedings in 1997. The work identified from this study includes the acquisition and removal of noise affected houses and the provision of noise mitigation and insulation activities for others.

WIAL commenced charging the airlines operating at Wellington Airport for these activities from 1 April 2012 and the charge for the current year is approximately 32 cents per passenger. These charges and noise mitigation activities are managed in WANT Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of WIAL that commenced trading on 1 April 2012. WANT Limited has forecast to complete the noise management activities by the end of the financial year ending 31 March 2034 and that the charges will recover the noise mitigation costs over the period from 1 April 2012 to 31 March 2034.

Whare Manaakitanga Limited was incorporated on 20 April 2018 as the holding company for WIAL's airport hotel which opened for customers on 12 February 2019.

Meitaki Limited was incorporated in the Cook Islands on 6 September 2019 as a captive insurance company to assist in managing WIAL's insurances.

#### D2. Related parties

The Group is 66% owned by NZ Airports Limited, which is wholly owned by Infratil Limited. Wellington City Council owns the remaining 34% of the Group.

	Revenue/(expense) for the year ended 31 March		Balance receivable/(payable as at 31 March	
Transactions made during the period	2024	2023	2024	2023
Infratil and its subsidiaries and associates	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
NZ Airports - dividend payment	(24,051)	-	-	-
Infratil Group - subvention payments	(23,336)	-	-	-
OneNZ - communication charges	(147)	-	(12)	-
Infratil Limited - Insurance and other costs	(142)	(131)	-	-
One NZ - commercial rents	101	80	7	8
Pacific Radiology Limited - commercial rents	61	56	6	6
Morrison				
Directors' fees	(462)	(210)	(116)	(109)
Consulting and other fees	(11)	(11)	-	-
Wellington City Council				
Dividend payment	(20,400)	-	-	-
Rates	(5,731)	(5,020)	-	(4)
Grants, consents and compliance costs	(126)	16	16	-
Directors' fees	(87)	(83)	-	-
Grants				
Land and buildings acquired by WCC under Public Works Act 1981	4,200	-	-	-
Capital works and other costs on-charged	1,132	-	146	1,685

#### Other related party transactions

Under NZ IAS 24, the related parties of the Group include all key management personnel and directors. Transactions with key management personnel and directors fees are disclosed under note A4.

WIAL and Wellington City Council completed a transaction that resulted in the sale of part of the Group's land and a commercial building under the Public Works Act 1981. This transaction was completed on 8 February 2024 and noted as a disposal in Note B2. This sale was completed at arm's length.

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#### D3. Financial commitments

Capital commitments	2024	2023
	\$000	\$000
Contracted but not provided for	44,520	3,788

Commitments not provided for largely relates to Airport Fire Station construction costs and property acquisitions.

#### Lease commitments

Lease commitments to the Group

The Group owns investment properties, other properties, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets which are leased to earn property income. The future minimum lease payments (undiscounted cash flows) under non-cancellable leases are receivable as follows:

	2024	2023
	\$000	\$000
Between 0 to 1 year	22,538	14,557
Between 1 to 2 years	15,657	9,426
Between 2 to 5 years	29,675	18,495
More than 5 years	39,915	41,460
Total lease commitments to the Group	107,785	83,938

Lease commitments of the Group

Total cash outflow for leases for the year ended 31 March 2024 was \$2.4 million (31 March 2023 was \$2.4 million). As at 31 March 2024, the Group has recognised \$33.8 million of lease liabilities for its leased properties (2023: \$33.9 million).

#### D4. Contingency and subsequent events

The Group remains in negotiations with Fletcher Construction Company Limited (FCC), the main contractor on WIAL's multi-level carpark construction project. WIAL has claims against FCC for remediation works, costs and related losses and a range of final outcomes exist.

WIAL continues to work with FCC, with the outcome, timing and expected settlement amounts remain unknown at 31 March 2024 and at the time of signing these financial statements (2023:Nil). There has been no recognition of any claims in these Consolidated Financial Statements.

There are no other subsequent events that require adjustment or disclosure.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

#### Role of the Board

The Board of Directors of WIAL is appointed by the shareholders to supervise the management of WIAL. The Board establishes WIAL's objectives, overall policy framework within which the business is conducted and confirms strategies for achieving these objectives, monitors management performance and ensures that procedures are in place to provide effective internal financial control.

#### **Board Membership**

The Board currently comprises six non-executive Directors.

Infratil, as the majority shareholder of WIAL, appointed four of the current Directors. The two remaining Board members have been appointed by the Wellington City Council, including W Eagleson, an independent director.

During the period under review, the Board met eight times.

#### **Audit and Risk Committee**

The Board has established an Audit and Risk Committee comprising of three Directors, M Ross (appointed 22 June 2023) (Chair), W Eagleson and P Walker with attendances by appropriate WIAL representatives.

The main objectives of the Audit and Risk Committee are to:

- Assist the Board to discharge its responsibility to exercise due care, diligence and skill in relation to the Group's governance processes including assessing the adequacy of the Group's:
  - o financial reporting;
  - o regulatory disclosure reporting and price setting event disclosures;
  - o climate related disclosure reporting;
  - o accounting policies;
  - o financial management;
  - o internal control framework;
  - o procurement process controls;
  - o risk management system;
  - o systems for protecting Group assets;
  - o related party transactions; and
  - o compliance with applicable laws, regulations, standards and best practice guidelines as they relate to financial and non-financial disclosures.
- Enhance the efficiency of the Board by allowing delegated issues to be discussed in sufficient depth and, where necessary, with appropriate independent advice.
- Review management's letters of representation.
- $\bullet$  Ensure the adequacy of the internal control system for financial reporting integrity.
- Facilitate the continuing independence of the external auditors (and internal auditors where applicable).
- Provide a formal forum for enhancing communication between the Board, senior financial management and external auditors (and internal auditors where applicable), ensuring there has been no unjustified restrictions or limitations placed on the auditors.
- Provide oversight of WIAL's risks to ensure they are identified, managed, treated and reported appropriately.

The Audit and Risk Committee also has oversight of the following treasury management matters:

- · review and recommend to the Board any changes to the treasury management policy;
- oversee the development of the strategy to implement the treasury management policy;
- · recommend to the Board instrument types that may be used; and
- recommend to the Board bank counterparties and counterparty limits.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE (continued)**

#### Remuneration Committee

The Board has established a Remuneration Committee comprising of three Directors, W Eagleson (Chair), R Drew and M Ross (appointed 23 June 2023) with attendances by appropriate WIAL representatives. The purpose of the Committee is to consider changes to human resources policy and to regularly review, and recommend changes to, executive remuneration to ensure that it is at an appropriate level and effectively managed.

#### Directors' Attendance

Name	Board	Audit and Risk Committee	Remuneration Committee
	No. of meetings	No. of meetings	No. of meetings
Rachel Drew	8/8	-	1/1
Elizabeth Albergoni <sup>1</sup>	5/6	-	-
Wayne Eagleson	8/8	5/5	1/1
Phillippa Harford 12	2/2	2/2	-
Matthew Ross <sup>2</sup>	8/8	3/3	1/1
Phillip Walker	8/8	5/5	-
Tory Whanau <sup>3</sup>	4/8	-	-

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Phillippa Harford retired as Director and Elizabeth Albergoni was appointed as Director on 22 June 2023.

#### **Internal Financial Control**

The Board has overall responsibility for the Group's system of internal financial control. The Directors have established procedures and policies that are designed to provide effective internal financial control.

Annual budgets and long term strategic plans are agreed by the Board.

Financial statements are prepared regularly and reviewed by the Board throughout the year to monitor performance against budget targets and objectives.

#### **Risk Management and Compliance**

The Audit and Risk Committee also has a function of reviewing management practices in relation to the identification and management of significant business risk areas and regulatory compliance. Formal systems have been introduced for regular reporting to the Board on business risk and compliance matters.

Management is required to, and has confirmed to the Audit and Risk Committee and Board in writing that:

- Financial records have been properly maintained and the Group's financial statements present a true and fair view, in all material respects, of the Group's financial condition, and operating results are in accordance with relevant accounting standards;
- The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with New Zealand Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (NZ GAAP) and comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and other applicable financial reporting standards for profit-orientated entities; and
- Appropriate and effective internal controls and risk management practices are in place to safeguard and protect the Group's assets and to identify, assess, monitor and manage risk, and identify material changes to the Group's risk profile.

#### Directors' Shareholding

Under the constitution Directors are not required to hold shares in the Company.

#### Directors' and Officers' Insurance

The Group has arranged Directors' and Officers' liability insurance covering Directors acting on behalf of the Group. Cover is for damages, judgements, fines, penalties, legal costs awarded and defence costs arising from wrongful acts committed while acting for the Group. The types of acts that are not covered are dishonest, fraudulent, malicious acts, or omissions, wilful breach of statute or regulations, or duty to the Group, improper use of information to the detriment of the Group or breach of professional duty.

#### **Independent Professional Advice**

With the approval of the Chair, Directors are entitled to seek independent professional advice on any aspect of the Directors' duties, at the Group's expense.

 $<sup>^2 \ \</sup>textit{Phillippa Harford retired as ARC Chair and Matthew Ross was appointed as ARC Chair on 22 June 2023.}$ 

 $<sup>^3</sup>$  For those meetings unattended by the Board member, a WCC representative attended in their place.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE (continued)**

#### **Going Concern**

After reviewing the current results and detailed forecasts, taking into account available credit facilities and availability of further funding and making further enquiries as considered appropriate, the Directors are satisfied that the Group has adequate resources to enable it to continue in business for the foreseeable future. For this reason, the Directors believe it is appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

#### **Shareholder and other Stakeholder Communications**

The Board aims to ensure that shareholders and other stakeholders are informed of all major developments affecting the Group's state of affairs. Information is communicated to shareholders and other stakeholders in the annual report, interim report and media releases.

#### **Corporate Governance Best Practice Code**

The Group supports the Corporate Governance Best Practice Code promulgated by the New Zealand Exchange. In a number of respects, the Group's practice differs from this Code. In particular, the Group has not established a separate Director Nomination Committee. The Group considers that it is properly dealing with these issues at the full Board level. A copy of the Group's Code of Ethics is available upon request from the Company Secretary.

### Directors' interests

The Directors have given the following notices of disclosure of interest which have been entered into the Company's register of interests.

Director	Name of party in which Director has an interest	Nature of interest
Rachel Drew	Qscan RHC HoldCo NZ Ltd HDF UK Ltd UTA International Holdings 1 Pty Ltd Sherxon Trustees No 1 Ltd Sherxon Trustees No 2 Ltd Rachel Ockelford Trust Infratil Ltd Morrison	Director Director Director Director Director/Shareholder Director/Shareholder Trustee Executive Executive
Elizabeth Albergoni	UTA Registry Investments Pty Ltd Utilities of Australia International Pty Ltd Perth Airport Pty Ltd PAPT Holdings Pty Ltd PAPT Nominees Pty Ltd Perth Airport Development Group Pty Ltd Perth Airport Development Group Investments Pty Ltd Australian Registry Finance Pty Ltd Australian Registry Holdings Pty Ltd Australian Registry Investments Pty Ltd Australian Registry Investments Pty Ltd Australian Registry Investments Pty Ltd Worldwide Airport Lawyers Association Morrison	Director
Wayne Eagleson	Wayne Eagleson Consulting Limited Thompson Lewis Limited Queenstown Airport	Director Director Advisor
Matthew Ross	Morrison Infratil Limited	Executive Executive
Phillip Walker	Queensland Airport Pty Ltd Gold Coast Airport Pty Ltd Townsville Airport Pty Ltd Mount Isa Airport Pty Ltd Longreach Airport Pty Ltd Morrison	Alternate Director Alternate Director Alternate Director Alternate Director Alternate Director Executive
Tory Whanau	Wellington City Council	Wellington City Mayor

#### **Remuneration of Directors**

Fees paid and payable to Directors during the year were as follows:

Director name	Fees paid and payable to directors during the year
Rachel Drew (Chair)*	\$168,036
Wayne Eagleson	\$104,298
Matthew Ross*	\$104,298
Phillip Walker*	\$98,504
Tory Whanau**	\$86,915
Elizabeth Albergoni*	\$67,359
Retired during the year:	
Phillippa Harford*	\$25,350

<sup>\*</sup> Fees paid to Morrison - as manager of Infratil Limited

The Directors received no other remuneration or benefits for services in that office or in any other capacity other than as disclosed in Note D2.

#### Loans to Directors

No loans have been made by the Group to a Director nor has the Group guaranteed any debts incurred by a Director.

#### Use of Group information

There were no notices from Directors requesting use of Group information received in their capacity as Directors, which would not otherwise have been available to them.

#### Directors' indemnity insurance

As authorised by its constitution, the Group has arranged policies of Directors' and Officers' liability insurance with cover appropriate for the Group's operations.

#### Remuneration of employees

Grouped below, in accordance with section 211(1)(g) of the Companies Act 1993, are the number of employees or former employees of the Company and its subsidiaries, excluding Directors of WIAL, who received remuneration and other benefits in their capacity as employees, totalling \$100,000 or more, during the year:

Amount of remuneration	Employees
\$100,000 to \$110,000	10
\$110,001 to \$120,000	6
\$120,001 to \$130,000	5
\$130,001 to \$140,000	3
\$140,001 to \$150,000	2
\$150,001 to \$160,000	1
\$160,001 to \$170,000	1
\$170,001 to \$180,000	2
\$180,001 to \$190,000	1
\$190,001 to \$200,000	4
\$210,001 to \$220,000	1
\$220,001 to \$230,000	2
\$230,001 to \$240,000	3
\$240,001 to \$250,000	1
\$290,001 to \$300,000	2
\$330,001 to \$340,000	2
\$360,001 to \$370,000	1
\$410,001 to \$420,000	1
\$740,001 to \$750,000	1

In accordance with section 211(1)(g) of the Companies Act 1993, the remuneration above does not include unpaid amounts in relation to short-term and long-term incentive schemes, which are outlined in note A4.

### Diversity of personnel

The Group recognises the value of a diverse and skilled workforce and is committed to maintaining an inclusive and collaborative workplace culture. Diversity is a key influence in the selection and promotion of employees and executives, and for the composition of the Board.

At 31 March 2024, the WIAL Board consisted of three male Directors and three female Directors (31 March 2023: three male Directors and three female Directors), and the Executive consisted of five male Executives and two female Executives (31 March 2023: five male Executives and two female Executives).

<sup>\*\*</sup> Fees paid to Wellington City Council as appointing shareholder

## **FIVE YEAR SUMMARY & STATISTICS**

WIAL AIRPORT STATISTICS					
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Passenger movements	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Domestic	4,712	4,690	3,481	2,969	5,226
International	737	564	48	0	920
Total	5,449	5,254	3,529	2,969	6,146
Aircraft movements	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Domestic	65,372	66,928	60,885	50,221	75,563
International	5,246	3,926	590	5	6,644
Military, freight, private and other movements	12,979	13,298	13,532	13,708	12,192
Total	83,597	84,152	75,007	63,934	94,399
Number of employees	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
FTE	129	112	103	100	136
WIAL CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS					
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Summary of profit and loss	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Revenue	159,158	139,828	95,577	68,787	146,377
Operating expenses (excluding subvention payment)	(52,040)	(50,225)	(38,809)	(32,829)	(43,187)
EBITDAF before subvention payment	107,118	89,603	56,768	35,958	103,190
Net profit/(loss) after taxation	(28,844)	25,243	3,043	(35,769)	28,887
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Summary of financial position	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Non-current assets	1,759,244	1,652,568	1,474,737	1,398,939	1,336,927
Current assets	116,452	148,155	55,975	96,806	35,043
Total assets	1,875,696	1,800,723	1,530,712	1,495,745	1,371,970
Non-current liabilities	894,777	818,012	762,496	705,266	641,570
Current liabilities	118,298	105,104	17,623	117,977	89,469
Total liabilities	1,013,075	923,116	780,119	823,243	731,039



# Independent Auditor's Report

To the shareholders of Wellington International Airport Limited

Report on the audit of the consolidated financial statements

## **Opinion**

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements of Wellington International Airport Limited (the 'company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') on pages 4 to 24 present fairly, in all material respects:

 i. the Group's financial position as at 31 March 2024 and its financial performance and cash flows for the year ended on that date;

in accordance with New Zealand Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board and International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements which comprise:

- the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 March 2024;
- the consolidated statements of comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the year then ended; and
- notes, including material accounting policy information.



## Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) ('ISAs (NZ)'). We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

We are independent of the group in accordance with Professional and Ethical Standard 1 International Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners (Including International Independence Standards) (New Zealand) issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) ('IESBA Code'), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code.

Our responsibilities under ISAs (NZ) are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements* section of our report.

Our firm has also provided other services to the group in relation to regulatory assurance and taxation compliance and advisory services. Subject to certain restrictions, partners and employees of our firm may also deal with the group on normal terms within the ordinary course of trading activities of the business of the group. These matters have not impaired our independence as auditor of the group. The firm has no other relationship with, or interest in, the group.



## **Materiality**

The scope of our audit was influenced by our application of materiality. Materiality helped us to determine the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures and to evaluate the effect of misstatements, both individually and on the consolidated financial statements as a whole. The materiality for the consolidated financial statements as a whole was set at \$14,000,000 determined with reference to a benchmark of group total assets. We chose



the benchmark because, in our view, this is a key measure of the group's ability to deliver long term shareholder value



## **Key audit matters**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements in the current period. We summarise below those matters and our key audit procedures to address those matters in order that the shareholders as a body may better understand the process by which we arrived at our audit opinion. Our procedures were undertaken in the context of and solely for the purpose of our statutory audit opinion on the consolidated financial statements as a whole and we do not express discrete opinions on separate elements of the consolidated financial statements

## The key audit matter How the matter was addressed in our audit

#### Valuation of land, buildings and civil works recorded at fair value

As disclosed in note B1 of the consolidated financial statements, the group has land, buildings and civil works recorded at fair value of \$1,518.0 million (2023: \$1,416.8 million). The group has a policy of having the assets externally revalued at least every 5 years by an independent valuer. The last full external revaluation of land and buildings was carried out as at 31 March 2023. The last independent valuation of civil works asset was carried out as at 31 March 2020.

In years where an external revaluation is not undertaken, a material change assessment for each asset class is performed to assess whether the carrying values of each class materially vary from their fair value.

Valuation of land, buildings and civil works is considered to be a key audit matter due to the significance of the assets to the group's consolidated statement of financial position, and due to the judgment involved in the assessment of the fair value of these assets by the group's Directors. The judgment relates to the valuation methodology used and the assumptions used in each of those methodologies. The valuation methodology estimates the cost of building the airport in its current location to the specification required to provide its current services, and

Our audit procedures to assess the fair value of land, buildings and civil works included, amongst others:

- Comparing the valuation methodologies used for the material change assessment, to the valuation methodologies used by the external valuers in prior external valuations;
- Assessing the key assumptions which are judgemental in nature and which have the largest impact on the value of land, buildings and civil works. This comprised assessing:
  - Changes to the weighted average cost of capital/discount rate against observable market data;
  - the reasonableness of income capitalisation rates;
  - changes in the ODRC of specialised buildings and civil works with reference to relevant indices;
  - changes in the value of underlying land prices with references to relevant indices; and
  - the future cash flows against budgets and historical financial performance.



## The key audit matter

## How the matter was addressed in our audit

the business value of the existing vehicle and hotel assets.

The assumptions that have the largest impact on the fair value assessment are:

- The potential value of the airport land if there was no airport on the site primarily driven by weighted average cost of capital;
- The replacement cost of buildings including the main terminal building with reference to relevant indices;
- The replacement cost of civil works including the runway, taxiways and roads with reference to relevant indices; and
- The estimated future cash flows and expected rate of return from the vehicle and hotel business assets.

## Valuation of investment property

As disclosed in note B2 of the consolidated financial statements, the group has investment property of \$125.3 million (2023: \$132.2 million). The group is required under accounting standards to fair value investment property.

Valuation of investment property is considered to be a key audit matter due to the significance of the assets to the group's consolidated statement of financial position, and due to the judgement involved in the assessment of the fair value of these assets by the group's Directors. These judgments include weighted average discount rate, weighted average income capitalisation rate and weighted average lease term.

Our procedures to assess the fair value of investment property included amongst other:

- Assessing the competence, independence and objectivity of the valuer used by the group to determine the value of the investment property;
- Comparing the valuation methodology used by the group, to the valuation methodology used for other investment property valuations within New Zealand and ensuring they are comparable;
- In conjunction with our valuation specialists assessing the changes in key assumptions in the valuations which are judgemental in nature and which have the largest impact on the value of investment property. This comprised:
  - assessing changes to the weighted average discount rate against observable market data;
  - agreeing a sample of income streams generated by the investment property to underlying contracts;
  - confirming the remaining tenure of leases used in the valuation; and
  - comparing lease yields to other comparable market transactions within the region.



## $i \equiv$ Other information

The Directors, on behalf of the group, are responsible for the other information included in the entity's Annual Report. Other information includes the directors' report, statutory information, five-year summary and statistics, and corporate governance policies. Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover any other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.



## Use of this independent auditor's report

This independent auditor's report is made solely to the shareholders as a body. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the shareholders those matters we are required to state to them in the independent auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the shareholders as a body for our audit work, this independent auditor's report, or any of the opinions we have formed.



## Responsibilities of the Directors for the consolidated financial

## statements

The Directors, on behalf of the company, are responsible for:

- the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand (being New Zealand Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards) and International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the New Zealand Accounting Standards Board;
- implementing necessary internal control to enable the preparation of a consolidated set of financial statements that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- assessing the ability to continue as a going concern. This includes disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate or to cease operations or have no realistic alternative but to do so.



## **x** Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements

Our objective is:

- to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- to issue an independent auditor's report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs NZ will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.



Misstatements can arise from fraud or error. They are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of these consolidated financial statements is located at the External Reporting Board (XRB) website at:

http://www.xrb.govt.nz/standards-for-assurance-practitioners/auditors-responsibilities/audit-report-1/

This description forms part of our independent auditor's report.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Sonia Isaac

For and on behalf of

KPMG Wellington

13 May 2024