

2024 ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

THE WELDING INSTITUTE
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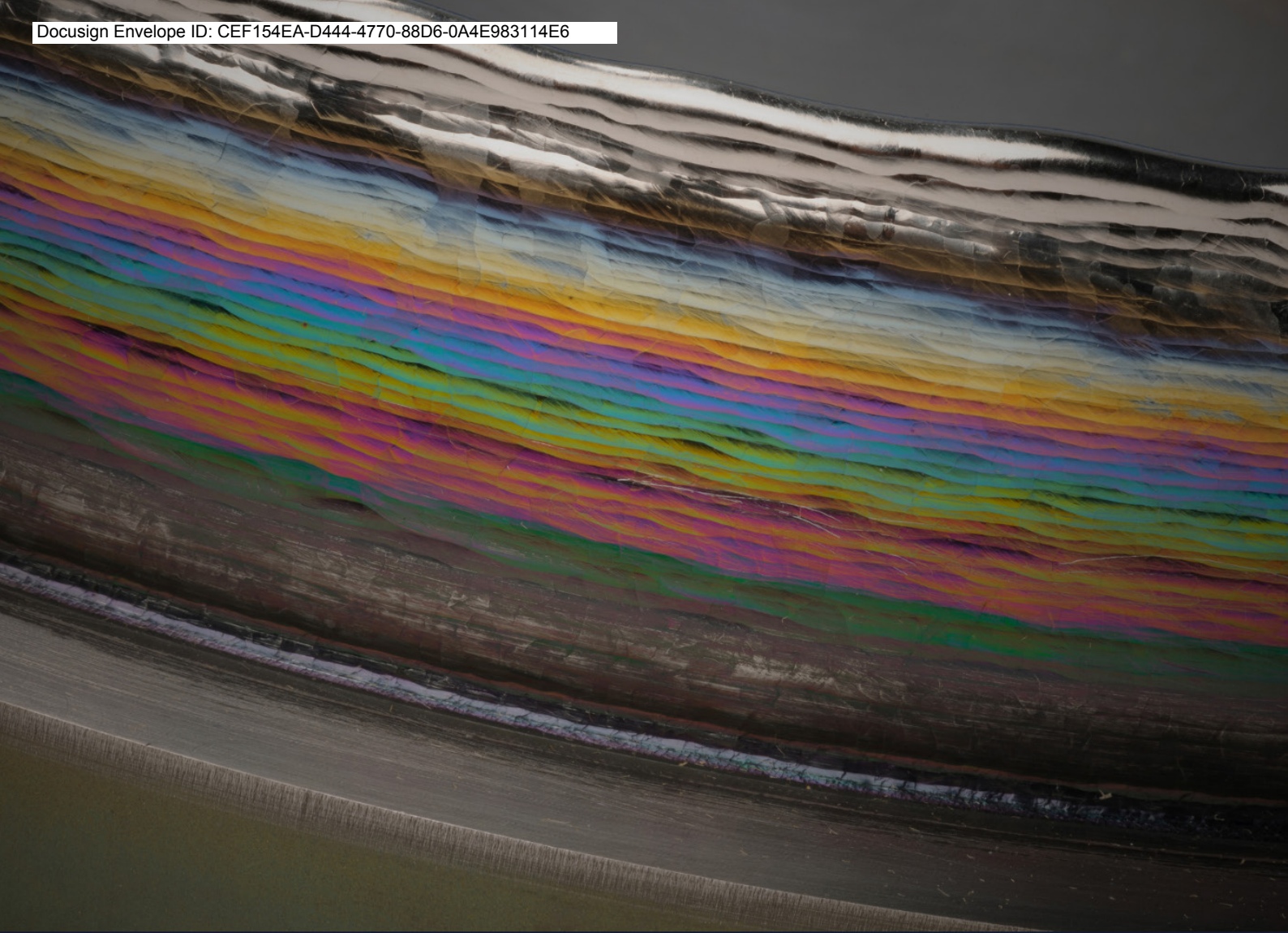
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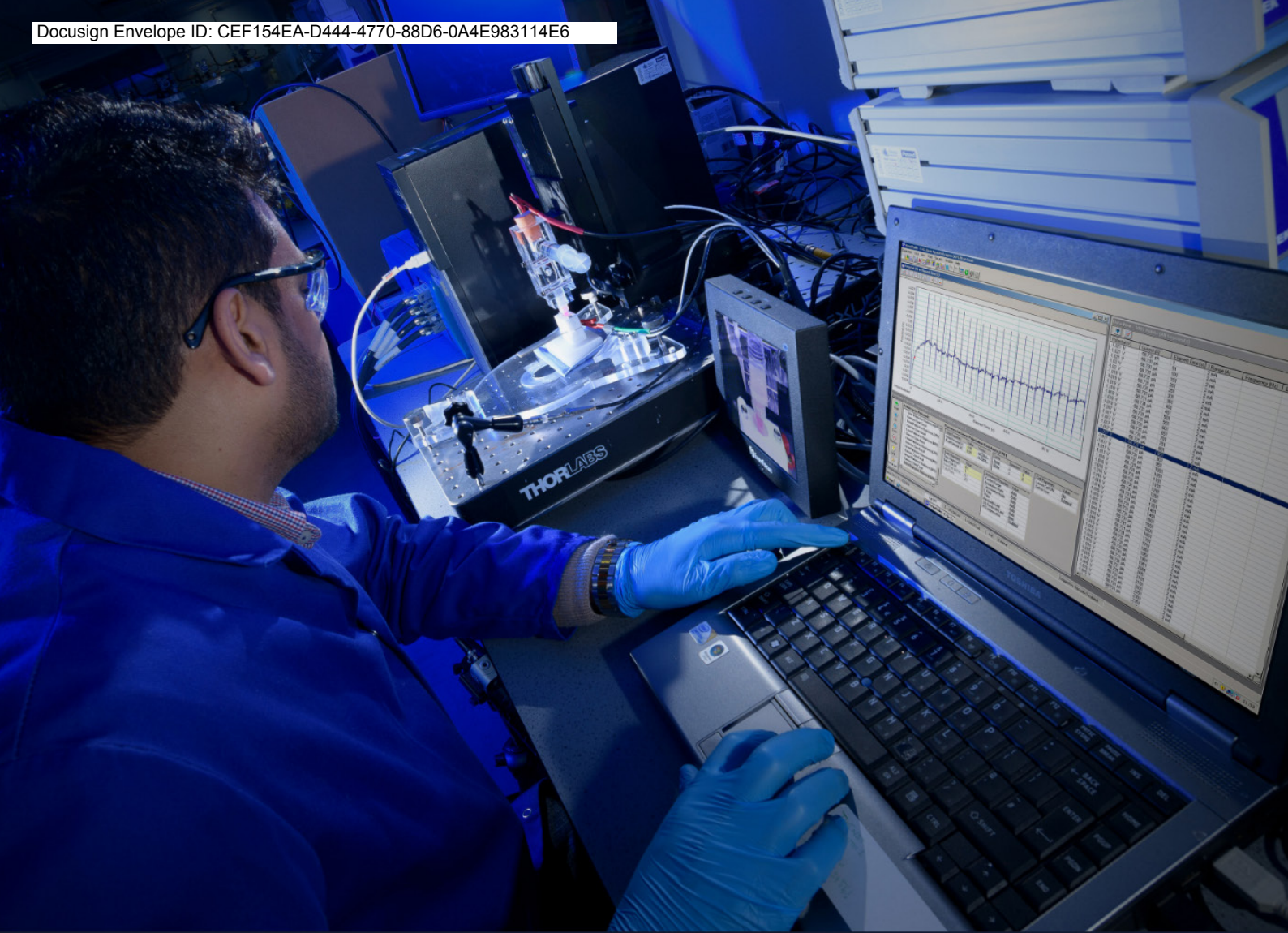


MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

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The Members of Council at the date of approval of these accounts were:

NAME	MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	FIRST ELECTION TO MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY
Ali Alshawaf	Industrial	29/09/2022
Annelyse Fournier (Vice Chair)	Co-opted	05/04/2022
Christopher Palmer	Industrial	25/07/2024
Claire Kimpton (Chair)	Professional	16/09/2020
Daniel Clark	Professional	29/04/2021
David Panni	Industrial	24/03/2021
Duncan Steel	Industrial	24/03/2021
Gareth Hopkin	Professional	24/03/2021
Graham Holloway	Professional	24/06/2022
Joseph McGee	Professional	15/04/2023
Morton Laust Torp	Co-opted	12/08/2024
Peter Stones	Professional	24/03/2021
Rob Mitchell	Industrial	25/07/2024
Simon Webster	Co-opted	18/03/2020
Zeeshan Farooq Lodhi	Industrial	10/01/2024



GROUP STRATEGIC REPORT.

INTRODUCING THE WELDING INSTITUTE

The Welding Institute group (the Group) is a world leading independent research and technology organisation that supports its members in the fields of welding, joining and allied technologies. Established in 1923 (originally as The Institution of Welding Engineers), the Group has a long-standing reputation for excellence in solving problems in manufacturing, fabrication and whole-life integrity management technologies.

The Group operates in the UK and in multiple international locations across Central Asia, the Middle East, the Indian Subcontinent and the Far East. With a successful international training and examinations network, the Group takes technical and practical know-how to regions that are looking to develop local expertise.

The core business of engineering consulting services, research and training is delivered and administered primarily through The Welding Institute's UK operating subsidiary, TWI Limited. The Group has a first-class reputation for service through its teams of internationally respected consultants, scientists, engineers and support staff. The Group has a UK investment property portfolio that is primarily managed by its subsidiary, Granta Park Estates Limited.

The Group is committed to quality, health and safety, and environmental management. The management systems of the Group's main UK subsidiary, TWI Limited, are independently certified by BSI to BS EN ISO 9001 for Quality Management Systems, as well as for Health and Safety (BS ISO 45001), and Environment (BS EN ISO 14001). TWI is also certificated to TickITplus Foundation Level for 'Systems and Software Development and Support'.

In addition, TWI is certified to the Cyber Essentials and Cyber Essentials plus scheme, the government-backed, industry-supported scheme to help organisations protect themselves against common online threats.

The Welding Institute holds Scientific Research Association status, which allows the company to take advantage of some of the benefits of a charitable organisation.

The Welding Institute devotes 75% of its income to research, which is carried out for the benefit of our members and society.





STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES.

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Our vision is to push the boundaries of technology through collaboration and innovation to provide our members with the expertise necessary to meet the challenges of tomorrow. We are a world leader in joining, materials and structural integrity. We develop our people, capabilities and networks to provide members and stakeholders with independent and authoritative support, innovation and expertise.

To accomplish our strategic objectives, we apply our core values of Teamwork, Innovation and Expertise, Taking Responsibility, Customer Focus, Adaptability and Inclusion. Our vision, which was set in 2020, has been progressively developed and built upon over the course of 2024 and focusses on the following priorities:

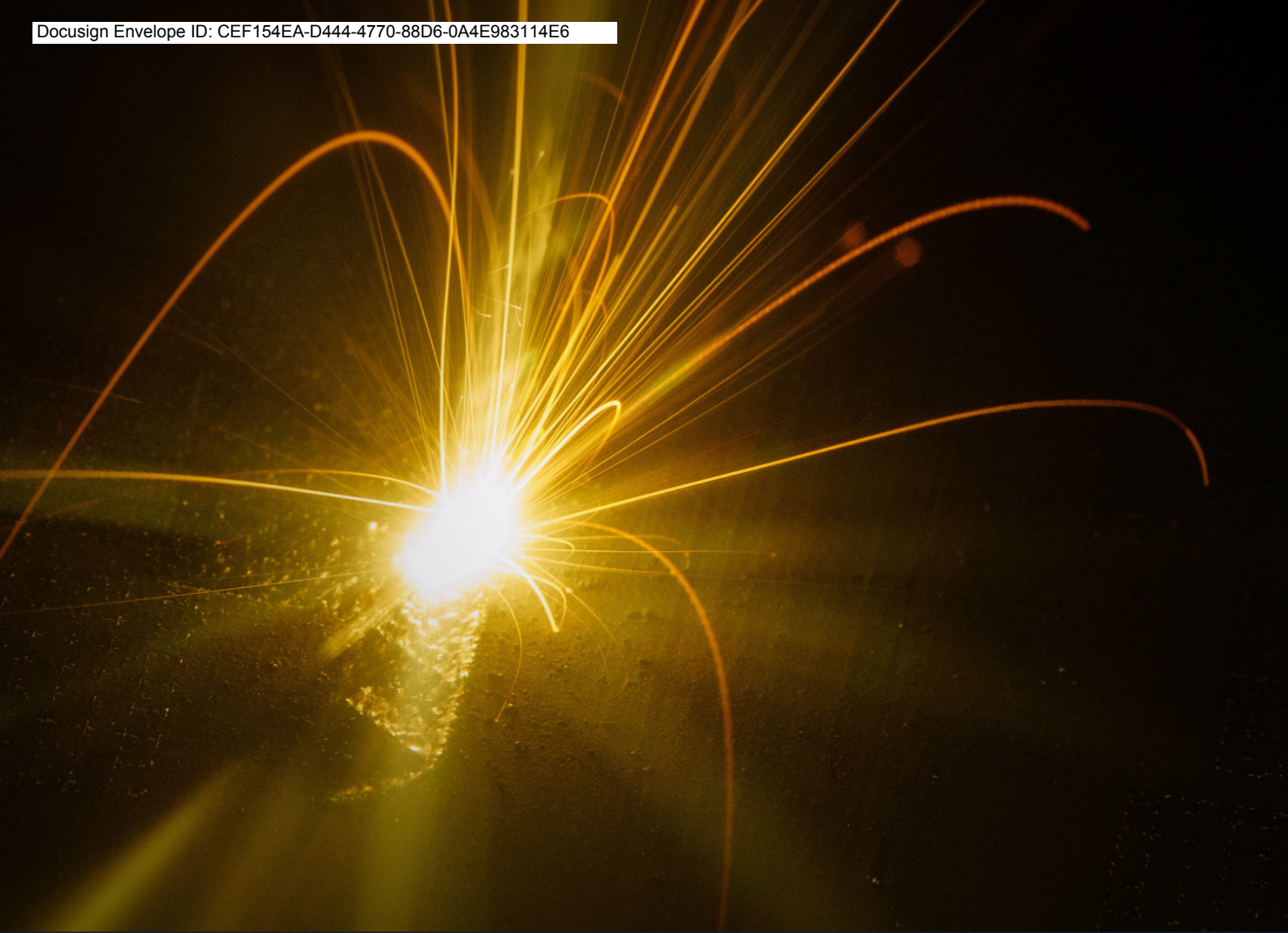
1. Improving our focus and performance on Health, Safety, Environment and Diversity & Inclusion.
2. The stable and reliable generation of cash from profits needed to invest in the Group's future sustainability.
3. Building closer relationships with our key members and adding greater value to their operations, either individually through Single Client Projects or collectively through the very popular and effective Joint Industry Projects.

4. Targeting specific Group generated knowledge and technologies for exploitation.
5. Targeting high growth markets through our overseas subsidiaries around: Training in India, South East Asia, Middle East and Central Asia.
6. Exploiting the Group's property portfolio to provide underlying stability for the wider business.

The metrics used to judge our success in these endeavours are set over five years, with annual milestones around these key strategic areas:

- Health Safety and Environment (delivering a zero harm culture)
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Technology Leadership
- Customer Satisfaction
- Governance
- Financial Performance
- Maximising the value of our Property Portfolio





CHAIR REPORT.

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Claire Kimpton - Chair

I am honoured to step into the role of Chair of Council at The Welding Institute, having served on Council since 2020. Over the past five years, I have worked closely with fellow Council members, our global membership, and the Executive Board, and have developed a deep respect for the professionalism, integrity, and sense of purpose that defines this Institution.

We are at an important point in TWI's evolution. With Caroline Gumble stepping into her role as Chief Executive of TWI Ltd on 7 July 2025, we now have a renewed leadership team in place - and with it, a fresh sense of direction. Caroline brings clarity, energy, and a sharp focus on where we need to go as an organisation, and I look forward to working alongside her as we continue to strengthen our offer to Members and industry.

The Welding Institute has always been about more than technical excellence, it's about enabling impact. From supporting innovation in critical sectors to guiding professionals through complex engineering challenges, we help create progress that is both practical and enduring. This ability to combine expertise with relevance is what makes the Institute such a valuable and trusted partner.

As Chair, I will ensure Council continues to uphold strong governance, acts in the long-term interests of the Institute, and maintains a close connection with the needs and expectations of our membership. My focus will be on helping the organisation stay resilient and forward-looking, particularly in how we support our people, evolve our services, and remain at the forefront of technological development.

We are fortunate to have an exceptional staff community and an engaged, global membership. With the right leadership and a clear sense of purpose, I believe we are well placed to embrace the opportunities ahead and reaffirm our role as a world-leading institution.

Claire Kimpton

24 September 2025



FINANCIAL RESULTS.

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Leonie Stewart - Finance Director

The results of the company are set out on page 47 and show turnover of £69.2m (2023 restated: £67.4m), loss before tax of £14.6m (2023 restated: loss of £5.2m) and a total comprehensive loss of £6.3m (2023: total comprehensive loss of £8.4m).

The turnover was generated across four main classes of business; membership subscriptions accounted for 10%, engineering consulting accounted for 46%, training, examinations and certification for 36% and net rents receivable accounted for 8% of turnover.

RESTATEMENT

During the year, the Group identified that PT Teknologi Weldim Indonesia had been erroneously consolidated in the Group accounts since 2019. This followed a review of legal documentation, which confirmed that an option agreement granting potential control had expired without being exercised.

As a result, the TWI Ltd Executive Board determined that PT Teknologi Weldim Indonesia should no longer be treated as a subsidiary effective 2019 and should be removed from the consolidated Group accounts.

The impact of this restatement on the previously reported balance sheet at 31 December 2023 was a fall of £1.0m as (i) £0.7m of net assets of PT Teknologi Weldim Indonesia were removed, together with (ii) the restatement of a £0.3m provision against its debt due to TWI Limited. The restatement has been summarised in note 30.

As at 31 December 2024 the Balance Sheet total was £172.0m (2023 restated: £178.3m). The material contributory factors to the reduction in the balance sheet total are, a reduction in creditors due in less than one year of £14.4m, which has been offset by a fall in cash balances (£7.2m) and a fall in debtors due in less than one year of £4.4m. The creditors have fallen due to the £4.2m repayment of the final bank loan, and the disposal of TWI Hellas, which had creditors of £4.5m at 31 December 2023. The £4.7m (2023: £5.7m) deferred tax asset in TWI Limited, which arises on losses brought forward and the pension scheme deficit, was classified as debtors due in more than one year in 2023, but has been offset against the TWI Limited deferred tax liability in 2024 in accordance with FRS 102.

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

On 20 December 2024, the Group's Greek subsidiary TWI Hellas Non-Profit Civil Partnership, was sold to the operating manager for €2. The results of the subsidiary to the date of sale have been classified as discontinued, with the prior year comparatives restated.

PROFIT AND LOSS RESULTS

TURNOVER

The nature of The Welding Institute operations are summarised under “Introducing The Welding Institute” on page 7. The Group saw a slight increase in turnover from the restated £67.4m in 2023 to £69.2m in 2024.

The majority of Group turnover (46%) is from engineering consulting, derived from Single Client and Collaborative projects. Single Client Projects are work that we carry out for our members. Collaborative projects are industrial research projects which are subsidised with internal funding from The Welding Institute and funding from government (the European Commission and UKRI).

Of the Group’s turnover the majority of the revenue is derived from TWI Ltd (69%) which carries out the core business of engineering consulting services, research and training. The remainder of the Group’s turnover is generated from other UK subsidiaries (6%) and revenue from the non-UK subsidiaries accounted for 25%.

OTHER OPERATING INCOME

The Welding Institute holds Scientific Research Association status and is accordingly entitled to certain government incentives. The Group qualifies for Research and Development tax credits, which amounted to £1.8m (2023: £1.8m). Details of other Government Grants are provided in note 5.

FINANCING AND CASH

The Group’s cash position decreased to £40.0m (2023 restated: £47.2m). Cash inflows from operating activities was £1.9m (2023 restated: outflow of £4.4m). Cash outflows from investing activities were £4.3m (2023 restated: outflow of £6.7m) and financing activities were a cash outflow of £4.7m (2023: £6.0m), due to the £4.2m bank loan repayment, £0.5m finance lease repayment and the £0.1m of payment of interest paid on the bank loan.

During the year the Group repaid all external bank loan facilities in full and as at 31 December 2024

the only external debt is the two finance leases for the Middlesbrough premises.

BALANCE SHEET POSITION

As at 31 December 2024 the balance sheet total of the Group was £172.0m (2023 restated: £178.3m). At the year-end the Group’s property portfolio was revalued by external property valuers. The combined valuation of the freehold and investment property portfolios declined in the year by £14.8m, largely due to vacant suites.

The balance sheet shows a net current assets position of £35.4m (2023 restated: £38.2m). The £14.4m reduction in creditors due in less than one year has been offset by the £7.2m fall in cash and the £4.4m fall in debtors due in less than one year. The debtors due in more than one year have fallen from £5.7m to £0.1m as TWI Limited’s deferred tax asset and liability have been offset in 2024. The net deferred tax liabilities have increased by £0.8m..

Creditors have fallen due to the £4.2m repayment of the final remaining Coutts loan and the £4.5m fall due to the sale of TWI Hellas during the year. The Group still continues to hold significant cash reserves and, as at 31 December 2024 held cash balances of £40.0m (2023 restated: £47.2m), which will provide a solid foundation for the existing operations and the potential to pursue growth opportunities should they arise. As a result, the Group is well positioned for the year ahead.

DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

The Employer (TWI Limited) meets the costs of administration and investment management of The Welding Institute Defined Benefit and Life Assurance Pension scheme. The deficit has fallen from £15.7m in 2023 to £10.9m in 2024.

On 1 January 2000, all The Welding Institute employees were transferred to TWI Limited and the Pension Trustees agreed that the full deficit and related pension costs for the scheme should be borne by TWI Limited; this has been reflected in the audited financial statements for both entities. The Welding Institute retains its designation as a participating employer of the scheme, which had allowed it to make a voluntary contribution in the prior year as agreed with the Trustees.

A guarantee remains in place between The Welding Institute as parent and TWI Limited, which would realise should TWI Limited be in an



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PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES.

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Effective Risk Management is fundamental to achieving the strategic objectives of the business. In 2024, Group management continued to develop a comprehensive risk management framework and reporting mechanism. Group management continually reviews its risk management structure to ensure that the risks are managed within an acceptable risk appetite.

The Group has a low appetite for contextual risks. Our business operations and activities have a balanced geographic and thematic spread to set overall risk levels at low. There are certain projects funded by different government bodies and Institutes, where the Group operates in challenging contexts; but the risk bar for the Group remains low due to its operational approach and policies and procedures.

Risk is inherent in the challenging context in which we operate, so we aim to find an acceptable balance between the cost of managing the risks, and the likely cost and impacts if the risks materialise, as well as the cost of not acting. The Group calculates an overall rating of an identified risk by assessing the likelihood and impact.

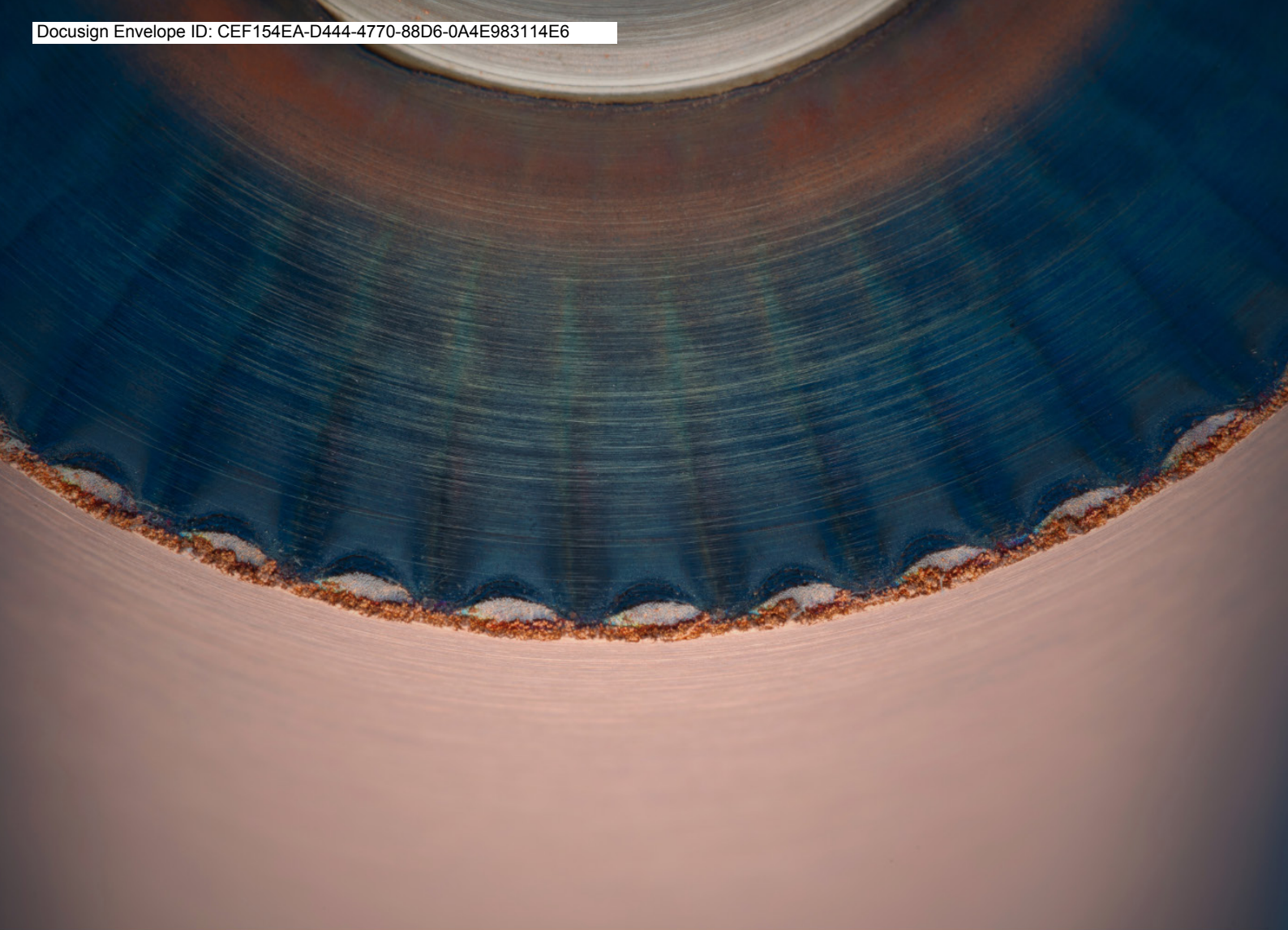
The Executive Board review the risk register on a quarterly basis and Council review the risk register as part of the quarterly agenda. The major risks the Group is currently facing are summarised below:

RISK	NATURE OF RISK	MANAGEMENT OF RISK
Governance Risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Expansion of business and failure to adhere to legal and other requirements of UK and non-UK subsidiaries.* Sudden change in regulatory requirements i.e. sanctions, export control and trade laws.* Risk of delay or failure in submission of and/or accuracy of statutory reports to appropriate authorities.	<p>To mitigate those governance related risks, the Group is proactively reviewing its governance framework, group policies and procedures to ensure compliance with international and local legislation, where applicable.</p> <p>A policy framework to standardise the creation, adoption and implementation of policies across the organisation is being developed. This includes a review of existing policies, gap analysis, creation and implementation of new policies.</p>
Operational Risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Disruptions in supply chains.* A shortage of supply in the employment market.* High turnover of technical and professional staff.* Disruption due to breakdown or dysfunctional equipment, machines and tools.	<p>To mitigate these risks, the Group has policies and procedures to ensure business continuity without disruption. Group staff who have responsibility for operational activities regularly review these risks to maintain the supply chain by engaging alternative suppliers, service providers and third parties. Training and succession planning are part of our risk mitigation framework.</p>

RISK	NATURE OF RISK	MANAGEMENT OF RISK
Financial Risks	The volatility of the current economic environment, political unrest and the complexity of the regulatory environment create uncertainties and put pressure on activity levels, profitability and cash flow.	The Group has financial and accounting systems that are designed to ensure accuracy and transparency. The Finance department creates detailed monthly financial reports showing performance against budget and forecast for the Executive Board, and reports regularly to Council, the Finance and General Purposes Committee, and the Audit Committee who provide oversight of Group operations. This allows informed decisions and mitigating actions to be taken where appropriate. The Finance department carry out gap analysis, and also develop and implement new policies to strengthen existing controls.
Fraud - Bribery & Corruption	<p>Risk of fraud and misrepresentation by customers, suppliers and third parties.</p> <p>Risk of bribery and corruption while dealing with government officials, third parties, suppliers and service providers.</p>	The Group has a policy of zero tolerance towards fraud, bribery, corruption, misrepresentation and misconduct. The business has comprehensive policies in place that form part of employee contracts. In addition to this, the Group has implemented mandatory fraud training that all staff are required to complete. Third party whistle blowing channels are established where employees, clients, members and other third parties can report incidents of misconduct and non-compliance.
Health – Safety - Environment	The Group's work can be hazardous and requires appropriate controls.	<p>The Group is an accredited organization for ISO 9001, 14001 and 45001 standards to mitigate risks of health and safety, handling and storage of hazardous material and monitoring of high-risk operational activities to prevent incidents.</p> <p>Monthly health and safety incident reports are presented to the directors and appropriate actions taken. All employees undergo training in Health and Safety on joining the business.</p>

RISK	NATURE OF RISK	MANAGEMENT OF RISK
People and Culture Risks	The Group's success is built on the quality of its people and their work. People risk is the risk that ensues if the Group fails to provide a supportive and collegiate culture.	<p>The risk is mitigated through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * effective recruitment * effective management and development programs * promoting diversity and inclusion throughout the business * wellbeing policies and processes * appropriate remuneration and benefits <p>The Group has also implemented a new continuous feedback cycle during the year. The results of this process are used by the executive team to ensure that the Group continues to provide a supportive and collegiate culture.</p>
Information Management, IT & Security Risk	Data and information systems are at threat from unauthorised access, inappropriate use, disclosure, disruption to operations, modification, or accidental and/or deliberate destruction.	Data and information systems are at threat from unauthorised access, inappropriate use, disclosure, disruption to operations, modification, or accidental and/or deliberate destruction. To mitigate these risks, TWI Limited has established a comprehensive security framework, led by the Senior Information Risk Officer and supported by a designated Board-level contact. TWI Limited's systems are certified to Cyber Essentials Plus standard.
Reputational Risk	Reputational risk is the risk of failure to meet customer, supplier, members and employee expectations as a result of any event, behaviour, action or inaction, either by the Group itself, our employees or those with whom we are associated, that may cause stakeholders to form a negative view of the Group.	Our policies ensure reputational risk matters are managed in a consistent manner and align with the Group's strategic priorities. Our Legal and Governance team have developed control and oversight standards to effectively manage reputational risk and are supported by procedures across our global businesses and functions.

In addition to the principal risks and uncertainties above, the Group faces other risks that include but are not limited to: increased competition; failure to retain, or loss of, customer contracts; customer concentration; technology leadership; counterparty risk; risk of adverse valuation of operational and investment properties; changes in legislation or regulations relating to trading, taxation or accounting practice.



KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS.

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OUR KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (KPI'S) ARE SELECTED TO MONITOR BOTH FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE

These indicators provide a detailed focus on the key elements of the business and measure progress against the Group's strategic objectives. A balanced score card is reviewed by the executive team on a periodic basis which is used to monitor and assess the achievement of these KPIs. This scorecard is used to determine actions and performance targets to ensure that the KPIs below are achieved.



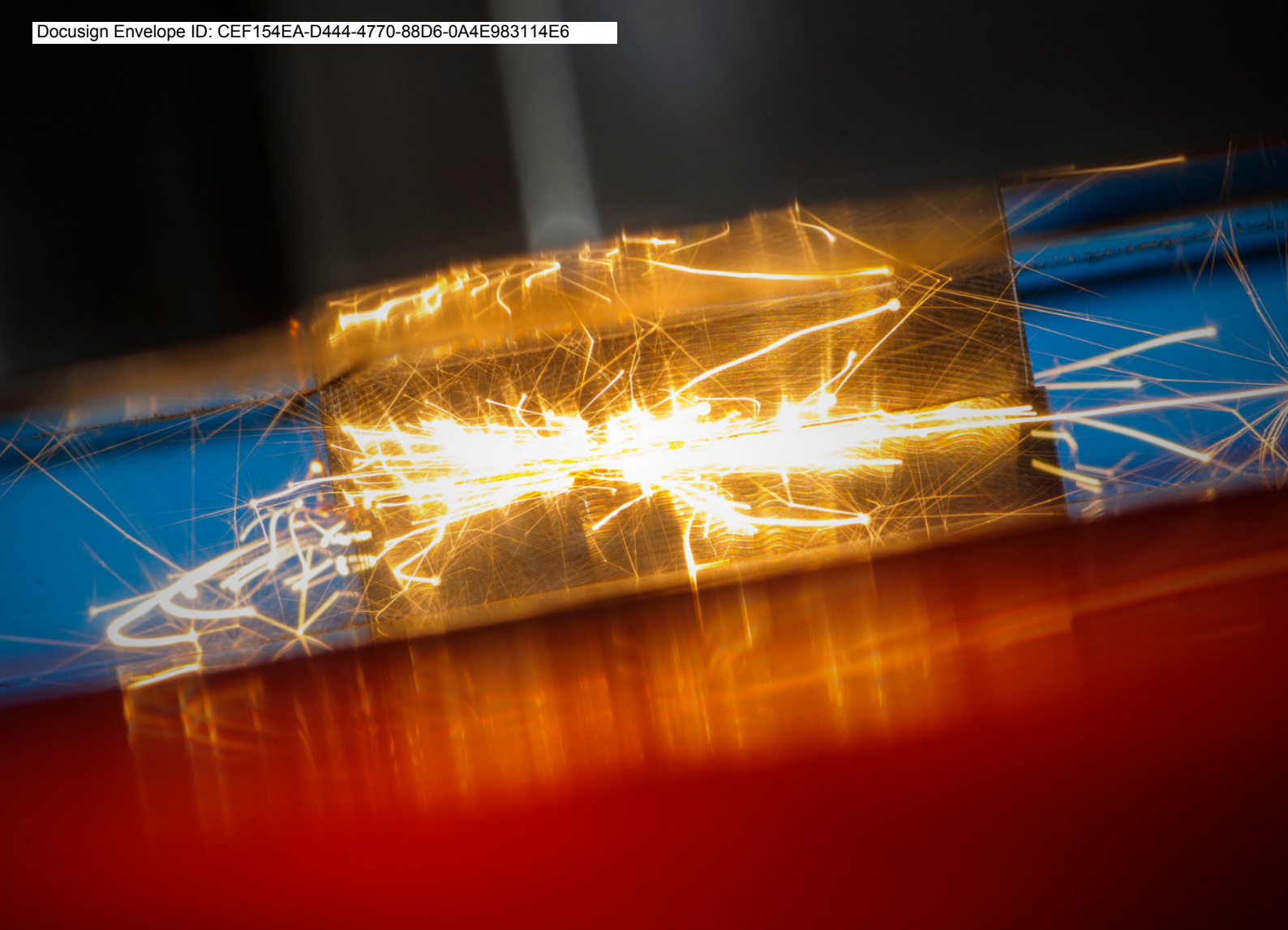
DETAILED KPI'S ARE SET AROUND:

Health Safety and Environment - reducing emissions, delivering the HS&E culture action plan, maintaining RoSPA Gold for TWI Limited, having more than 95% of our Management completing the IOSH Managing Safely course.

People and Culture - having greater than 17% of women in leadership positions, improving engagement scores on the annual staff satisfaction survey, reducing the gender pay gap, implementing a mentor program and revising progression (career path) frameworks.

Governance and Compliance - delivery of the compliance framework.

Technology - delivery of the technology roadmap.



ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, GOVERNANCE.

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ENVIRONMENTAL

The most carbon intensive areas of TWI Limited UK operations are the consumption of electricity, and business travel. TWI Limited is committed to understanding and reducing its environmental impacts year on year.

Annually TWI Limited reports on its greenhouse gas emissions and participates in the Energy Savings Opportunity Scheme (ESOS) from which a number of recommendations for improving energy efficiency have been implemented across its facilities. The Executive Board supports the Company's goals and initiatives with regard to reducing adverse impacts on the environment. In 2024 we have continued to consider the Company's approach to climate change and have continued to implement additional measures that contribute to the reduction of our impact on the environment.

TWI Limited supports a number of different environmental sectors and is working with large companies and SMEs to help drive technological improvements and innovation in these areas. Growth areas for TWI Limited include pioneering research in geothermal resources to improve the efficiency of geothermal heat and power systems, supporting the automotive and aerospace industries through various e-mobility solutions and its continued provision of technical support for the renewables sector including research into concentrating solar power (CSP). TWI Limited will continue to take an active role in managing its own environmental impact as well as influencing the wider industry through our expertise and the advice that we provide to our customers.

EMISSIONS AND CARBON ENERGY

This is the fifth year of mandatory reporting under SECR. The Welding Institute have however reported energy and emissions now for several years and 2019 has been chosen as a base year, as due to the pandemic, 2019 is considered to represent a typical year for the business operations against which changes can be monitored.

Between 2019 and 2024, the organisation has achieved a reduction of 1,300 tonnes of carbon dioxide in gross emissions, representing a 26% decrease and exceeding its target to reduce emissions by 25% by 2025. Notably, emissions from pool cars and personal lease vehicles have been reported as zero for the current period, as these vehicle categories are no longer in use, eliminating their associated emissions entirely.

It is important to highlight that emissions related to refrigerant usage have increased significantly compared to both 2023 and the 2019 baseline. In addition, emissions from diesel usage on-site also rose in 2024, which is attributed to the refilling of the on-site diesel storage tank during this reporting period. Emissions from air travel are returning to pre-COVID-19 levels due to increased overseas projects, in FY2021 emissions had reduced by 96%. From 2021 to 2023 emissions have risen but are now expected to remain below 2019 levels as the TWI Group is streamlining its activities and reducing the number of overseas subsidiaries.

Activities relating to travel include air, rail, company owned vehicles, employee-owned vehicles, hire cars and taxis on business use are included in the reporting.

QUANTIFICATION AND REPORTING METHODOLOGY

HM Government Environmental Reporting Guidelines: including streamlined energy and carbon reporting guidance (March 2019) has been used for the collation of data sources and reporting of emissions. UK Government GHG Conversion Factors for Company Reporting has been used for the reporting of emissions, using the 2024 version.

ORGANISATIONAL BOUNDARY

The financial boundary of the business has been used to determine the reporting boundary.

OPERATIONAL SCOPE

Measurements include mandatory scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions. Negligible estimates have been made with the collation of data. Optional scope 3 emissions have also been included in the reporting.

EXCLUSIONS

There are no data exclusions in this reporting period.

BASE YEAR

The base year is chosen as 2019. This year represents a typical year for the business operations against which changes can be monitored. The recalculation policy is to review the base year against current reported emissions for relevant changes which meet a significance threshold value of 5% of base year emissions. In this report we have included carbon reporting statistics for the current year, prior year and base year.

TARGET SETTING & RESPONSIBILITIES

The target is to reduce gross scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions in tonnes of CO₂e per £100,000 turnover and per FTE used by 2% per year against the chosen base year of 2019. The performance against target will be reviewed periodically.

INTENSITY MEASUREMENT

The reporting metrics chosen are gross scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions in tonnes of CO₂e per £100,000 turnover and per FTE, as these best reflect business activities. The intensity measurement will be reported each year, with comparison made against previous year's performance. The gross emissions per £100,000 have reduced by over 24% and the emissions per FTE also decreased by 10% compared to the 2019 base year.

CARBON OFFSETTING

Electricity purchased on a green contract from October 2022 has been included within the report.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY ACTIONS

As part of TWI's commitment to reducing its environmental impact, it announced in its 5-year strategy in 2021 for 2022-2026, the goals of reducing its carbon footprint by 25% by 2025 and being carbon neutral by 2035.

In the last quarter of 2024, the senior leadership team included into the corporate plan the goal to reduce carbon emissions by 5% and reduce business travel by 5% against the previous year.

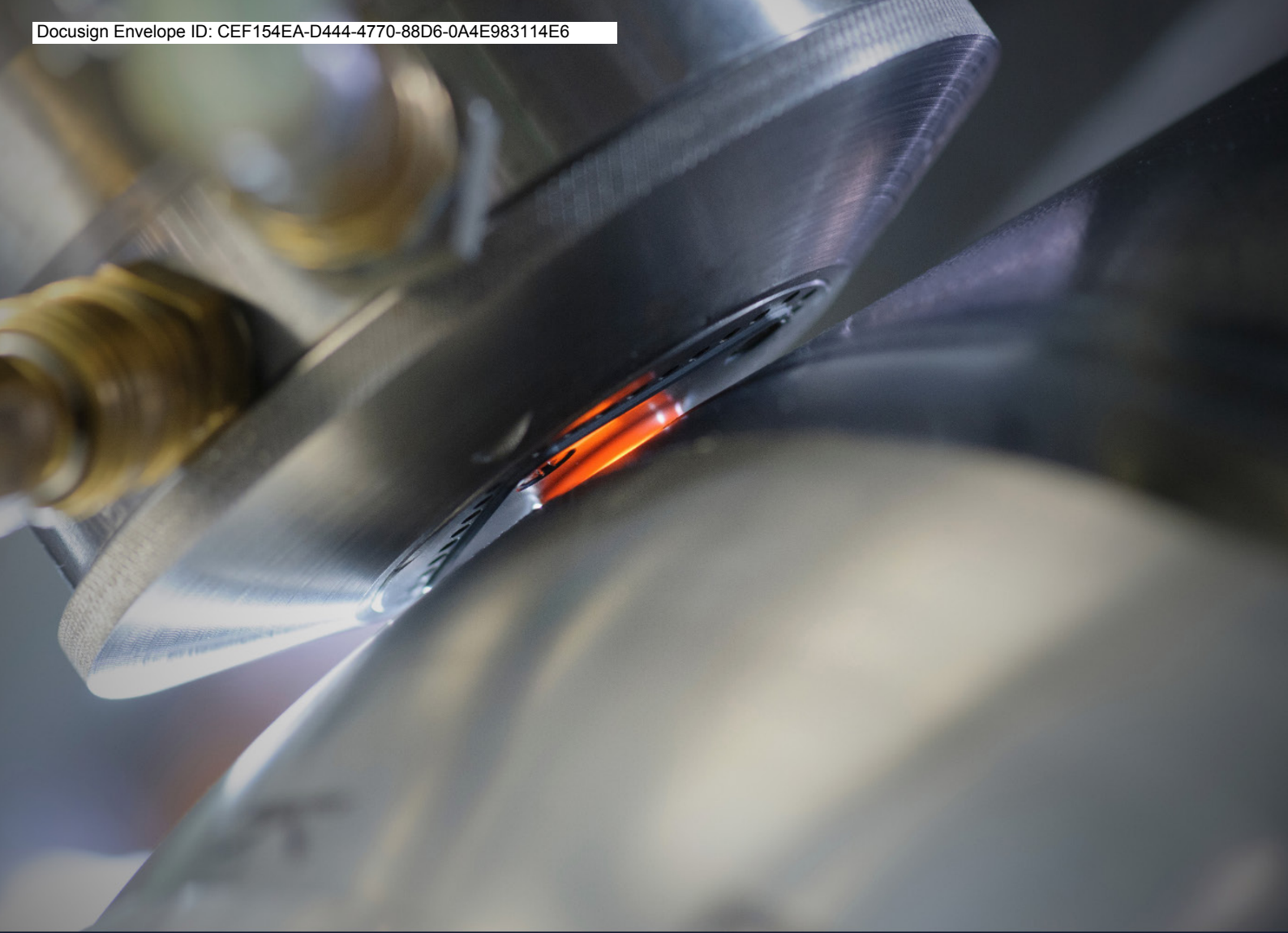
The consumption of electricity still remains the most carbon intensive area for TWI, and accounts for around 50% of TWI's carbon footprint.

TWI switched to a zero carbon, 100% renewable electricity supply in October 2022, and this agreement was continued in 2024, with electricity supplied from Hydro, Solar PV and Wind renewable sources.

Additional solar panels were installed in Middlesbrough as part of the new building, and generated an extra 2,866 kWh of energy. Enough to cover one month of Middlesbrough's electricity usage.

The 'Hybrid Working Policy' which gives staff the flexibility to work from home remains in place, helping to reduce the impact of commuting. Staff also continue to use video conferencing technologies, which reduces the need for travel between regional offices, as well as to customer sites.

SCOPE 1 CO2E (TONNES)		2024	2023	2019
Natural gas consumption		505.43	508.89	800.48
Company cars (essential car users)		2.86	7.91	21.38
Pool cars		0.00	1.91	109.18
LPG		0.54	1.47	0.63
Refrigeration and air condition equipment		313.40	-	48.65
Site maintenance – red diesel		2.93	0.21	1.30
Total Scope 1		825.16	520.39	981.62
SCOPE 2 CO2E (TONNES)		2024	2023	2019
Electricity		1,924.69	1,866.63	2,583.90
Total Scope 2		1,924.69	1,866.63	2,583.90
SCOPE 3 CO2E (TONNES)		2024	2023	2019
Electricity T & D losses		170.11	161.49	219.37
Hire vehicles for business use		82.97	91.63	97.68
Taxi and chauffeur		7.83	8.43	19.71
Personal lease cars - business use		-	2.69	9.49
Employee owned cars – business use		76.18	89.97	N/A
Domestic and international flights		563.29	938.66	1,024.72
Rail travel		1.37	2.88	29.79
Potable water		1.34	1.31	4.65
Waste water		0.08	0.06	0.07
Waste		25.42	27.60	6.96
Total Scope 3 CO2e (tonnes)		928.59	1,324.72	1,412.44
TOTAL CO2E SCOPE 1, 2, 3 GROSS EMISSIONS (TONNES)		3,678.44	3,711.74	4,977.96
Intensity Metric Measure (£100,000 turnover)		573	718	659
Intensity Metric Measure (FTE)		544	544	590
Intensity Metric (gross emissions) tCO2e/£100,000 turnover		6.419	5.17	8.44
Intensity Metric (gross emissions) tCO2e/FTE		6.76	6.82	7.55
ENERGY CONSUMPTION (EXCLUSIONS)		2024	2023	2019
KWh		15,140,018	16,566,227	19,927,491
INTENSITY METRIC (NET EMISSIONS)		2024	2023	2019
Scope 1, 2, 3 emissions (gross) tCO2e		3,678.44	3,711.74	4,977.96
Carbon Offsets		1,924.69	1,866.63	2,467.45
Scope 1, 2, 3 emissions (net) tCO2e		1,753.75	1,845.11	2,508.28
Intensity Metric (net emissions) tCO2e/£100,000 turnover		3.36	2.57	3.81
Intensity Metric (net emissions) tCO2e/FTE		3.54	3.39	4.26



CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.

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Our societal impact is a fundamental part of the Group's principles, and underpins our activities across all jurisdictions where we operate. Our approach forms the basis of our decisions by focussing on business ethics and compliance, people and culture, and community involvement.

We aim to foster openness, sustainability, and respect. We value everyone and strive to work as one team. We invest significantly in our people and their working environment by creating and maintaining a safe and healthy working environment and ensuring their ongoing professional and personal development.

We strive to create workplaces in which there is mutual trust and respect and where every person feels responsible for the performance and reputation of our Group. We work towards achieving a diverse workforce, recruiting, employing and promoting people only on the basis of objective criteria and the qualifications and abilities needed for the job to be performed.

We encourage our people to give something back to their local communities, whether it is time, effort or a financial contribution. It's important that we play our part to build a better world for current and future generations.

TWI Limited has supported a number of local communities during 2024 and provided donations to: Read to Succeed, the Australian Football League England Ltd, Duxford Primary School, Billingham Town U11s and Whittlesford United Football club.

Our support is delivered through initiatives that support local communities and those in need. We welcome initiatives from all sources but especially those from our own people. No political donations were made during the period (2023: £nil).

Our work across industry means that we are aware of the skills gap that has emerged across many engineering applications, so it is always a pleasure to have students visit us for work experience so we can help develop skills and interest in the next generation of industry experts.

The Group is committed to our Corporate Social Responsibilities (CSR) across all of our sites in the UK and globally, including:

- Corporate (organisational) governance
- Human rights
- Labour and fair employment practices
- Health, safety and environmental best practice
- Fair operating practices
- Consumer issues
- Community involvement and development

As we seek to address challenges faced by our Members to meet sustainability demands while minimising the use of resources and environmental impacts, we recognise that exact challenges can differ between industries and have been investing our efforts to inspire and deliver the next generation of skilled engineers.

£40.7 MILLION INVESTED BACK INTO TWI R&D FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

The Group has invested £40.7m since 2019 into improving our facilities across the UK and upgrading the equipment that is available for use in Industrial Member projects.

As a non-profit distributing enterprise, TWI has reinvested income into our facilities, improving and expanding the working environment at our sites in Port Talbot, Middlesbrough and Great Abington near Cambridge.

This includes an investment in new equipment to allow us to remain on the cutting-edge of technology and provide a world-beating service to our customers working in industries including nuclear, electrification, new energy, construction and infrastructure, advanced manufacturing, aerospace, defence, and more.

The investment into new technology and infrastructure has been made achievable by advances made over the last six years that have seen the Group's net worth grow from £57 million (as restated) at 31 December 2018 to £172 million at 31 December 2024.

We have expanded our capabilities for structural integrity, characterisation and non-destructive testing of welds and additive manufactured parts as well as the assessment of materials in harsh environments. This includes a new permeation rig that can help assess the lifetime of materials, including polymers, while also monitoring their potential environmental impact.

Our modelling and simulation facilities have also been developed further, allowing for virtual testing to be undertaken for purposes such as structural integrity ahead of any physical testing, thereby reducing costs for our customers.

TWI testing has also been advanced for aggressive environments, including the assessment of pipelines with our bespoke full-scale testing system for materials in sour environments. In addition we provide corrosion testing services, drawing upon our knowledge and expertise alongside practical problem-solving skills. These testing services are proving particularly important for new and emerging technologies in energy, such as hydrogen.

We can also deliver manufacturing and in-service inspection using robotic systems capable of offering continuous and highly repeatable inspection at a reduced cost, while our new generation of cobots are able to work safely alongside humans in-situ.

TWI is, of course, well known for welding and joining processes such as electron beam, laser joining and a range of different friction processes and additive manufacture. These services have also seen investments, including the installation of a new electron beam machine.

INTERNATIONAL SKILLS ENHANCEMENT PROGRAMME (SEASEP)

The Group initiated SEASEP as one of its training schemes to provide a programme that delivered international impact by tackling in-country skills shortages and reduce occupational fatalities by bringing engineering-related skills and education to disadvantaged and under-represented groups in various parts of the world.

This not only creates a safety-skilled workforce for industry and reduces engineering failure rates but, through improving health and safety at work, reduces workplace accidents, injuries and fatalities. SEASEP also improves job prospects and career progression for disadvantaged and under-represented groups.

Through SEASEP, the Group has been providing vocational training, alongside Lloyd's Register Foundation, to people in South and East Asia as well as to India. The third phase of the programme is now well underway and is operating in India, Thailand and the Philippines.

Phase three is a 4 year programme continuing to deliver societal impacts including improved safety of physical assets, fewer people being harmed or killed in workplace accidents, delivering a higher proportion of female trainees and other underrepresented groups and ensuring safer infrastructure growth across South East Asia.

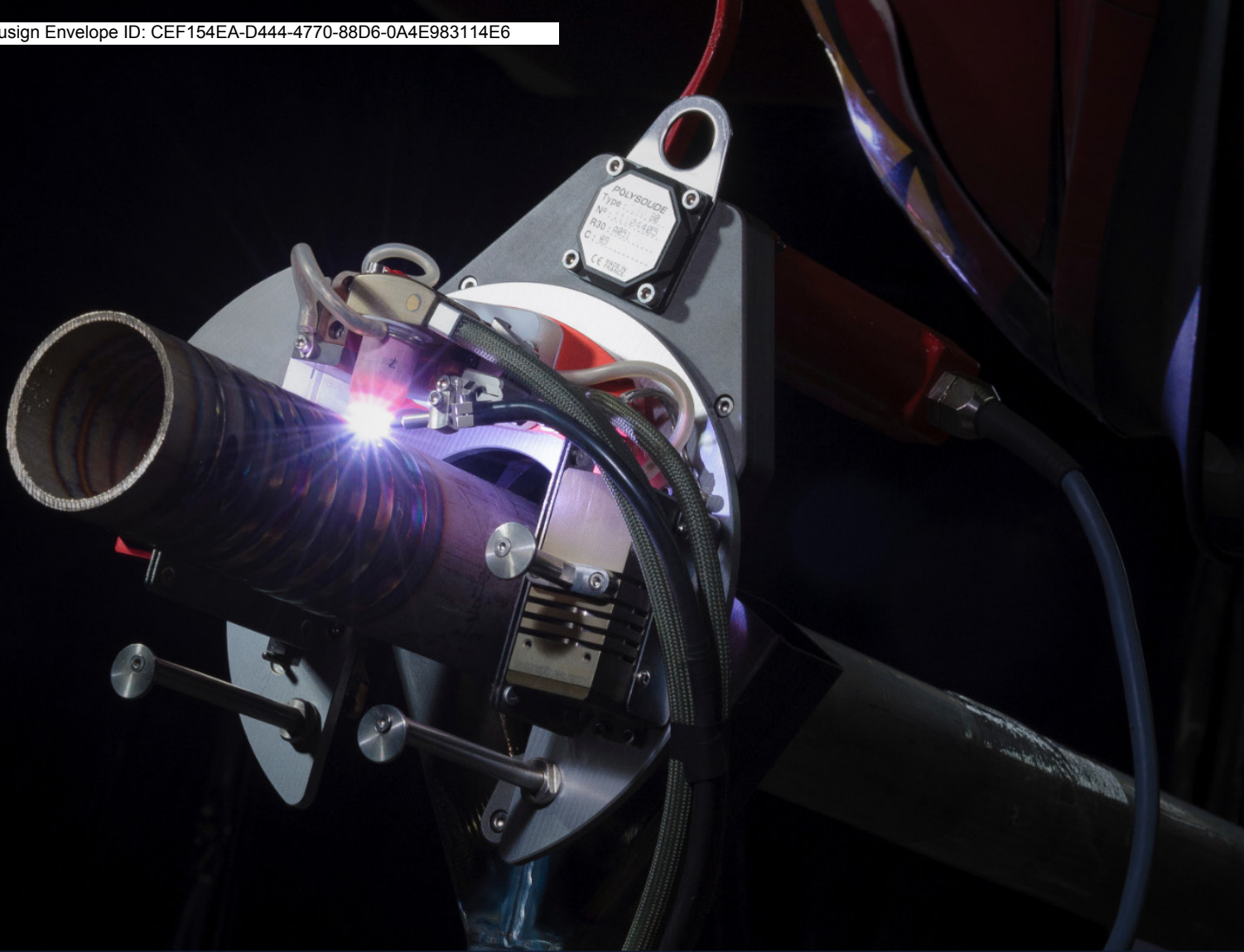
The response to SEASEP has been overwhelming, with many industries and engineering colleges taking up the offer to provide the programme, with funding support for course fees offered alongside the training itself, providing theory and practical sessions.

NATIONAL STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY RESEARCH CENTRE (NSIRC)

2024 marked NSIRC's 12th anniversary, since being established by TWI Ltd, Lloyd's Register Foundation and BP to bridge the gap between industry and academia, and deliver a new model for the training and development of future generations of engineering leaders.

Working with TWI Industrial Members, NSIRC is able to target real-world challenges, needs and opportunities in areas including smart manufacturing, materials and coatings innovation, the circular economy, automation, data science, digitalisation and robotics, as well as environmental concerns with low carbon technologies, hydrogen, zero waste manufacture, and the drive towards Net Zero.

Many of those who have passed through the NSIRC programme have gone on to prestigious research and engineering roles with companies including DNV, Tesla, Scottish Power, PA Consulting, Three UK, Rolls Royce, Subsea 7, P2i, Nuclear AMRC, and Dyson, among others.



BOARD DECISION MAKING - SECTION 172 STATEMENT.

BOARD DECISION MAKING

All Members of Council are registered Directors of The Welding Institute and recognise their duty to act in good faith, and in a manner which would most likely promote the success of the group for the benefit of its members as a whole.

When making decisions, the directors consider the interests of all key stakeholder groups and seek to arrive at decisions which do not adversely impact those groups as a whole. For the purpose of decision making, the directors have identified a number of key stakeholder groups, have evaluated their interests and have engaged with and responded to those stakeholders during the year.

The Companies (Miscellaneous Reporting) Regulations 2018 require qualifying companies to publish a statement explaining how the directors have had regard to the matters set out in section 172(1)(a) to (f) of the Companies Act 2006 in performing their duties under section 172. In accordance with section 172, the Directors confirm that they have acted in the way that they consider, in good faith, would be most likely to promote the success of the Group for the benefit of its members as a whole. The paragraphs below identify key stakeholders and provide examples of how the Directors have had regard to the matters set out in section 172(1)(a) to (f) of the Act.

S172(1)(A) - THE LIKELY LONG TERM CONSEQUENCES OF DECISIONS

The Directors regularly consider the long term consequences of the Board's decisions and actions. As an example of this following the sale of the zone 2 land in prior years and the resulting increase in the Group's cash resources the Directors have, as part of the overall strategy of the Group, carefully considered how best to invest these resources to ensure that the Group can successfully provide the expertise necessary to meet the challenges of tomorrow.

S172(1)(B) - THE INTERESTS OF THE COMPANY'S EMPLOYEES

The interests of Group employees have been key to decisions made by the Directors, and were paramount throughout the year. During the year the Company carried out a number of staff engagement surveys the results of which were presented to the Directors in order to ensure that the Directors continue to make decisions with the employees interests at the heart of those decisions.

S172(1)(C) - THE NEED TO FOSTER BUSINESS RELATIONSHIPS WITH SUPPLIERS, CUSTOMERS AND OTHERS

The Directors have regard to the need to foster good relationships with customers through, for example, the implementation of key account management, the development and improvement of service offerings, and the on going review and strengthening of the Group's Quality Assurance procedures. The Directors take into account the need for good business relationships with suppliers when reviewing key and critical supplier lists, and supplier payment terms.

S172(1)(D) - THE IMPACT OF THE COMPANY'S OPERATIONS ON THE COMMUNITY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

The Directors are conscious of the importance of investing in and caring for the physical environments and communities in which TWI operates. These initiatives are detailed in our Environmental, Social and Governance Report.

S172(1)(E) - THE DESIRABILITY OF MAINTAINING A REPUTATION FOR HIGH STANDARDS OF BUSINESS CONDUCT

The Directors are committed to high standards of business conduct throughout the Company and take into account the desirability of maintaining its reputation for the same in their decision making. To support this the company has initiated a policy review and consolidation to provide our stakeholders on clear guidelines for our operations.

172(1)(F) - THE NEED TO ACT FAIRLY AS BETWEEN MEMBERS OF THE COMPANY

Due to the governance nature of The Welding Institute, the Directors ensure that there are regular, formal meetings with the various committees and representatives of its Group.

When acting between Members, Directors will weigh up all relevant factors and consider which course of action best enables delivery of our strategy through the long-term, taking into consideration the impact on stakeholders.



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COUNCILS REPORT.

COUNCILS REPORT

HONORARY OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

The Members of Council serving at the date of signing this statement are shown at the start of the document.

Members of Council who served during 2024 who are no longer Council Members at the date of approval of these financial statements are as follows:

NAME		FIRST ELECTION TO	DATE RESIGNED
Humbert Mozzi	Co-opted	17/03/2020	03/07/2025
Kamran Mahmood	Co-opted	19/04/2021	02/04/2024
Ian Perryman	Professional	01/06/2020	03/07/2024
Michael Skyrme	Professional	01/12/2020	23/06/2025

HONORARY OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
The Members of the Finance and General Purposes Committee serving at the date of signing this statement are as follows:
Chair
Claire Kimpton
Members
Peter Stones
Simon Webster
David Panni
Duncan Steel
Morten Torp
Annelyse Fournier
The following Members of the Finance and General Purposes Committee completed their terms of office or resigned after 1 Jan 2024
Kamran Mahmood
Humbert Mozzi

HONORARY OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

AUDIT COMMITTEE
The Audit Committee meets at least twice a year and is responsible for reviewing financial and non-financial controls, evaluating areas of risk, considering regulatory and accounting requirements for the group, and overseeing relationships with external auditors.
At the date of signing this statement the members of the Audit Committee are:
Chair
Chris Palmer
Members
Annelyse Fournier
Morten Torp
The following Members of the Audit Committee completed their terms of office or resigned after 1 Jan 2024
Gareth Hopkin
David Panni

EMPLOYMENT POLICIES

The Group and Company seeks to ensure that every employee, without exception, is treated equally and fairly and that all employees are aware of their responsibilities to the Group and Company. The Group and Company is responsive to the needs of its employees and provides full support to our disabled colleagues. This includes ensuring that robust and reasonable adjustments are made to their working environments in order to ensure that we continue to retain and attract the best talent.

POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

Since the year end, the Group has progressed with winding down the operations of TWI Technology Engineering (Private) Ltd in Pakistan. Subsequent to the year end, the group decided to discontinue operations of two more overseas subsidiaries: TWI Kazakhstan LLP, and TVI Turkey Engineering Trade Limited Company - Azerbaijan Republic Branch. In addition, the operations of The Test House (Cambridge) Limited were hived up to TWI Limited on 01 January 2025.

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland').

Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs and profit or loss of the company and Group for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies for the company's financial statements and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company and Group will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company and Group's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and Group and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and Group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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

GOING CONCERN STATEMENT

The Directors have assessed the continued appropriateness of preparing these financial statements on the going concern basis.

The disclosure within accounting policy 2.2 sets out the matters considered by the Directors in performing this assessment.

Based on this assessment the Directors remain satisfied that the Company has sufficient resources

to meet its ongoing obligations as and when they fall due and that it is appropriate for these financial statements to be prepared on the going concern basis.

DIRECTORS INDEMNITIES

The Directors have the benefit of an indemnity provision contained in the Articles. The Directors have also been granted a qualifying third party indemnity provision which was in force throughout the financial year and remains in force. In addition, the Company maintains Directors' and Officers' liability insurance in respect of itself and for its Directors and Officers.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

The directors confirm that:

- So far as each director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Group's auditor is unaware; and
- The directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Group's auditor is aware of that information.

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

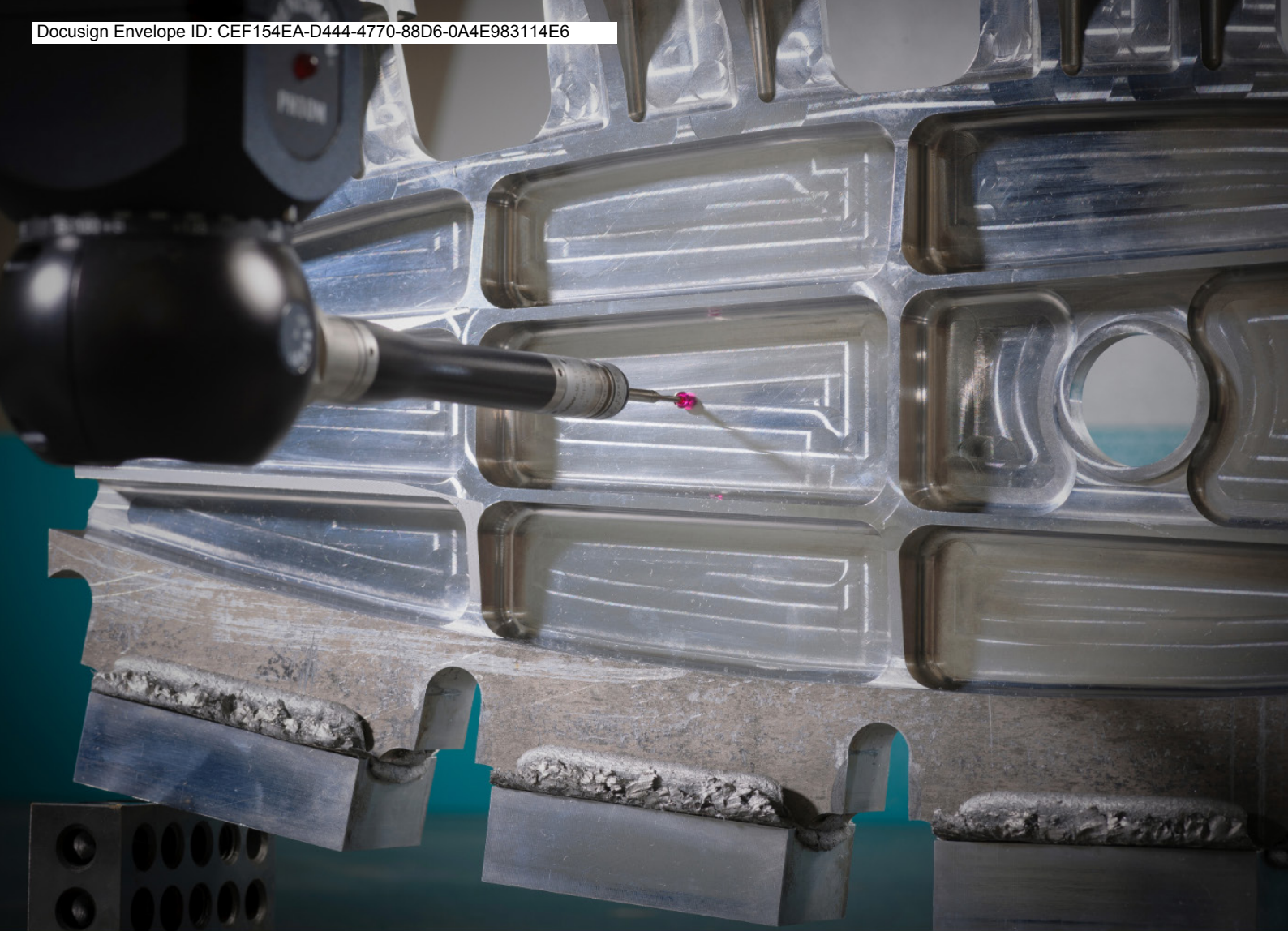
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Claire Kimpton

Chair

Date: 24 September 2025





INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE WELDING INSTITUTE

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Welding Institute (the 'parent company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 December 2024, which comprise the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, the consolidated balance sheet, the institute balance sheet, the consolidated statement of changes in equity, the institute statement of changes in equity, the consolidated statement of cashflows and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and of the parent company's affairs as at 31 December 2024 and of the group's loss for the year then ended;
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements' section of our report. We are

independent of the group and the parent company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We are responsible for concluding on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the group's and the parent company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify the auditor's opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our report. However, future events or conditions may cause the group or the parent company to cease to continue as a going concern.

In our evaluation of the directors' conclusions, we considered the inherent risks associated with the group's and the parent company's business model including effects arising from macro-economic uncertainties such as impacts of inflation and geopolitical events, we assessed and challenged the reasonableness of estimates made by the directors and the related disclosures and analysed how those risks might affect the group's and the parent company's financial resources or ability to continue operations over the going concern period.

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the group's and the parent company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report and financial statements, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report and financial statements. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. 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.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

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

Matter on which we are required to report under the Companies Act 2006

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and the parent company and their environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the strategic report or the directors' report.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the parent company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement set out on page 38, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the group's and the parent company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to

liquidate the group or the parent company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are 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 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 (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

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

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below:

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks applicable to the group and the industry in which it operates. We determined that the following laws and regulations were most significant; UK GAAP (FRS 102), Companies Act 2006 and the relevant tax compliance regulations in the jurisdictions in which the company operates.
- We obtained an understanding of how the Company is complying with those legal and regulatory frameworks by making inquiries of management. We corroborated our inquiries through our review of board minutes and risk register.
- We enquired of management, whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations or whether they had any knowledge of actual, suspected or alleged fraud. The Company's management has not noted any matters of non-compliance with laws and regulations or fraud

that were communicated with the audit team. We corroborated this through procedures such as unusual journals testing, assessing controls, assessing the relevant governance procedures and direct inquiries with the Company's legal counsel.

- These audit procedures were designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements were free from fraud or error. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error and detecting irregularities that result from fraud is inherently more difficult than detecting those that result from error, as fraud may involve collusion, deliberate concealment, forgery or intentional misrepresentations. Also, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it;
- It is the engagement partner's assessment that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence and capabilities to identify or recognise non-compliance with laws and regulations. Assessment of the appropriateness of the collective capabilities of the engagement team included the consideration of the engagement team's understanding and experience of, and practical experience with engagements of a similar nature and complexity including appropriate training.
- We communicated relevant laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team members and remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit.
- We communicated with component auditors to request identification of any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that could give rise to a material misstatement of the group financial statements

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an 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 company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Signed by:

Grant Thornton UK LLP

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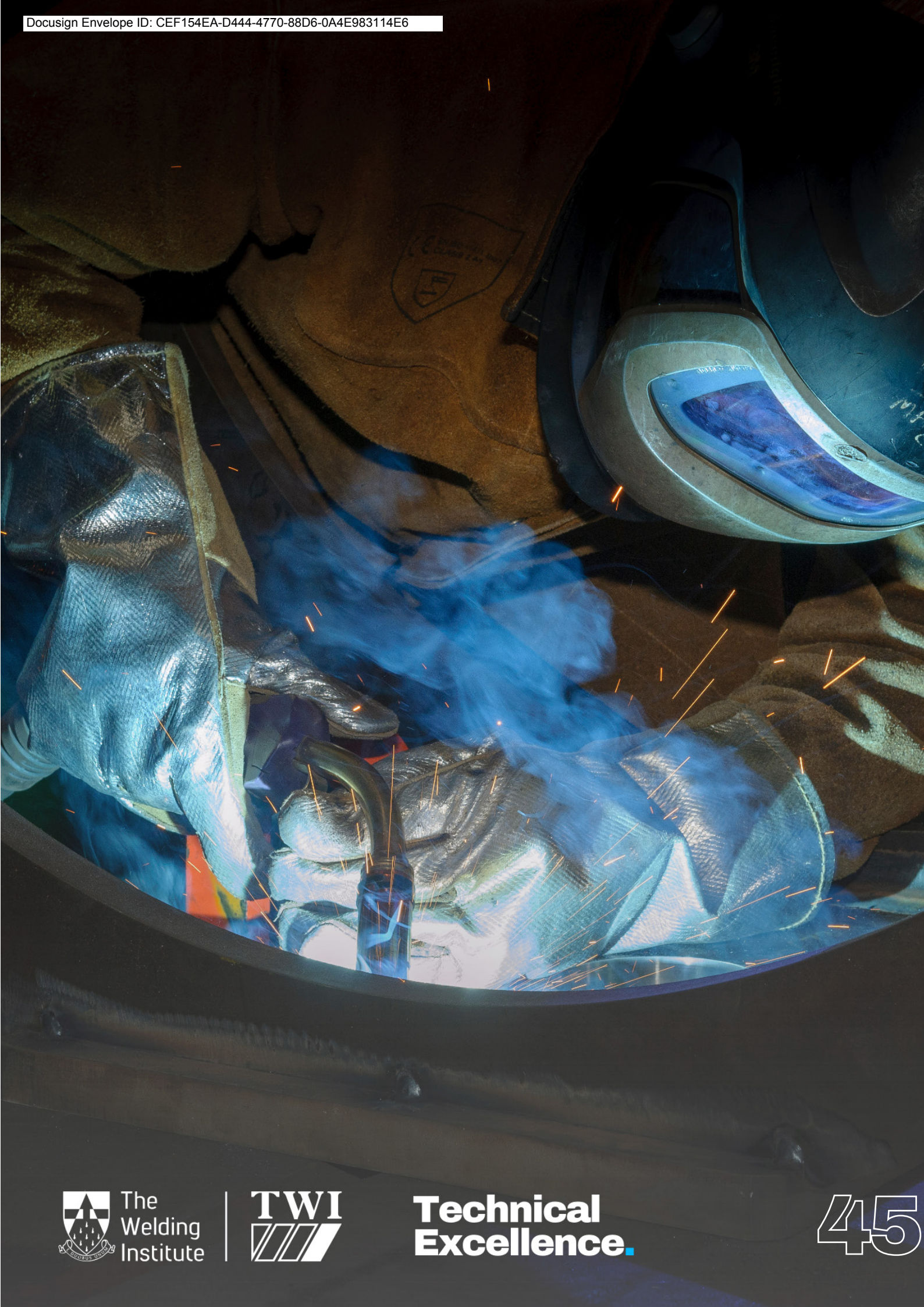
Senior Statutory Auditor

for and on behalf of Grant Thornton UK LLP

Statutory Auditor, Chartered Accountants

Cambridge

Date: 24-Sep-25



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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME.

THE WELDING INSTITUTE
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

		2024	2024	2024	2023	2023	2023
		Contin-	Discon-	Total	Contin-	Discon-	Total
		uing	tinued		uing	tinued	
		£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Turnover	4	69,096	129	69,225	67,060	352	67,412
Cost of sales		(45,941)	(339)	(46,280)	(43,445)	(342)	(43,787)
GROSS PROFIT		23,155	(210)	22,945	23,615	10	23,625
Administrative expenses		(26,564)	(1,306)	(27,870)	(28,960)	(1,477)	(30,437)
Other operating income	5	4,543	1,518	6,061	3,038	1,487	4,525
Other operating charges		(164)	-	(164)	(1,065)	(3)	(1,068)
OPERATING PROFIT / (LOSS)	7	970	2	972	(3,372)	17	(3,355)
Unrealised loss on revaluation of investment property	6	(15,913)	-	(15,913)	(1,847)	-	(1,847)
Interest receivable and similar items	11	1,325	-	1,325	1,043	-	1,043
Interest payable and similar expenses	11	(195)	-	(195)	(313)	(1)	(314)
Other finance costs	12	(753)	-	(753)	(754)	-	(754)
LOSS BEFORE TAX		(14,566)	2	(14,564)	(5,243)	16	(5,227)
Taxation credit / (charge)	13	2,608	-	2,608	(2,226)	-	(2,226)
LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		(11,958)	2	(11,956)	(7,469)	16	(7,453)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR							
Unrealised gain / (deficit) on revaluation of tangible fixed assets	14	2,028	-	2,028	(1,146)	-	(1,146)
Deferred tax on revaluation of tangible fixed assets	24	(507)	-	(507)	287	-	287
Actuarial gains on defined benefit pension scheme	28	5,609	-	5,609	181	-	181
Movement of deferred tax relating to pension gains		(1,402)	-	(1,402)	(45)	-	(45)
Movement on foreign exchange reserve		(31)	-	(31)	(243)	-	(243)
TOTAL OTHER COMPREHENSIVE PROFIT / (LOSS) FOR THE YEAR		5,697	-	5,697	(966)	-	(966)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE LOSS FOR THE YEAR		(6,261)	2	(6,259)	(8,435)	16	(8,419)

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2024 or 2023 other than those included in the statement of comprehensive income.

The notes on pages 58 to 89 form part of these financial statements.



CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET.

THE WELDING INSTITUTE CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
REGISTERED NUMBER: 00405555
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

		2024	2023 restated
	Note	£000	£000
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	14	113,415	113,797
Investment in associates	15	9	8
Investment property	16	60,133	75,484
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS		173,557	189,289
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year	17	107	5,657
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	17	26,626	30,995
Cash at bank and in hand	18	39,953	47,164
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		66,686	83,816
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	19	(31,250)	(45,614)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		35,436	38,202
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		208,993	227,491
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	20	(9,385)	(9,031)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES			
Deferred tax	24	(15,764)	(23,749)
Onerous provisions	23	(947)	(765)
Pension liability	28	(10,866)	(15,656)
NET ASSETS		172,031	178,290
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Freehold property revaluation reserve	25	60,798	59,277
Foreign exchange reserve	25	390	421
Profit and loss account	25	110,843	118,592
TOTAL FUNDS		172,031	178,290

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on 24 September 2025

Signed by:

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Claire Kimpton
 Chair

The notes on pages 58 to 89 form part of these financial statements.

THE WELDING INSTITUTE COMPANY BALANCE SHEET
REGISTERED NUMBER: 00405555
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

		2024	2023
	Note	£000	£000
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments	15	10,358	10,358
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	17	41,407	44,533
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	19	(10,488)	(9,888)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		30,919	34,645
NET ASSETS		41,277	45,003
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Profit and loss account brought forward		45,003	56,622
Loss for the year		(3,726)	(11,619)
Profit and loss carried forward		41,277	45,003
TOTAL FUNDS		41,277	45,003

The Institute has applied the exemption available under Companies Act 2006 s408 and has not presented an individual Statement of Comprehensive Income. The Institute’s loss for the year was £3,726,000 (2023: loss of £11,619,000). The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on 24 September 2025.

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Claire Kimpton
Chair

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Revaluation Reserve	Foreign Exchange Reserve	Profit and loss account	Total equity
	£000	£000	£000	£000
At 1 January 2024 restated	59,277	421	118,592	178,290
COMPREHENSIVE LOSS FOR THE YEAR				
Loss for the year	-	-	(11,956)	(11,956)
Movement on foreign exchange reserve	-	(31)	-	(31)
Actuarial gain on pension scheme (net of deferred tax)	-	-	4,207	4,207
Gain on revaluation of freehold property	2,028	-	-	2,028
Deferred tax on revaluation	(507)	-	-	(507)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) FOR THE YEAR	1,521	(31)	(7,749)	(6,259)
AT 31 DECEMBER 2024	60,798	390	110,843	172,031

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Revaluation Reserve	Foreign Exchange Reserve	Profit and loss account	Total equity
	£000	£000	£000	£000
At 1 January 2023	60,136	664	126,816	187,616
Restatement	-	-	(907)	(907)
At 1 January 2023 restated	60,136	664	125,909	186,709
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR	-	-		
Loss for the year	-	-	(7,453)	(7,453)
Movement on foreign exchange reserve	-	(243)	-	(243)
Actuarial gain on pension scheme (net of deferred tax)	-	-	136	136
Loss on revaluation of freehold property	(1,146)	-		(1,146)
Deferred tax on revaluation	287	-	-	287
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE LOSS FOR THE YEAR	(859)	(243)	(7,317)	(8,419)
AT 31 DECEMBER 2023	59,277	421	118,592	178,290

The notes on pages 58 to 89 form part of these financial statements.

THE WELDING INSTITUTE STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Profit and loss account	Total equity
	£000	£000
AT 1 JANUARY 2023	56,622	56,622
Loss for the year ended 31 December 2023	(11,619)	(11,619)
AT 1 JANUARY 2024	45,003	45,003
Loss for the year ended 31 December 2024	(3,726)	(3,726)
AT 31 DECEMBER 2024	41,277	41,277

The notes on pages 58 to 89 form part of these financial statements.



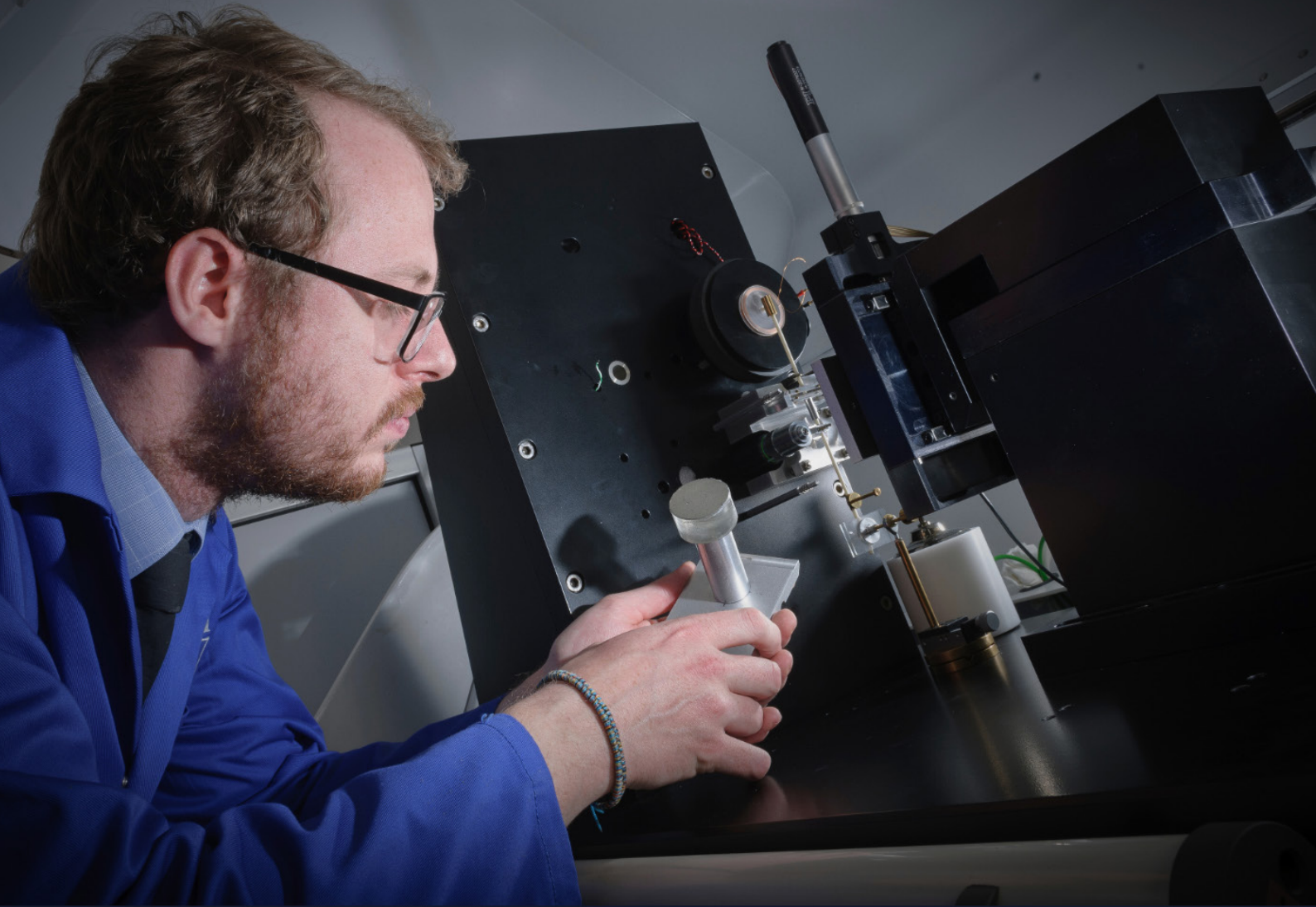


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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

		2024	2023
	Note	£000	£000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Loss for the financial year		(11,956)	(7,453)
ADJUSTMENTS FOR:			
Depreciation of tangible assets	14	5,465	4,429
Loss on disposal of tangible assets	14	176	75
Research and development tax credit		(1,839)	(1,791)
Interest receivable and similar items	11	(1,325)	(1,043)
Interest payable and similar expenses	11	195	314
Taxation (credit) / charge	13	(2,608)	2,226
Taxation received / (paid)		616	(303)
Decrease in debtors	17	1,585	1,362
Decrease in creditors	19	(4,893)	(5,573)
Increase / (decrease) in provisions	23	182	(57)
Net interest on defined benefit liability	28	753	754
Net fair value losses recognised in P&L	16	15,913	1,847
Foreign exchange differences		(363)	794
NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		1,901	(4,419)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest receivable and similar items	11	1,309	1,043
Disposal of tangible fixed assets	14	7	-
Grant funding of fixed assets		461	1,559
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	16	(3,201)	(7,384)
Purchase of investment properties		(562)	(1,931)
Cash outflow on disposal of subsidiary	31	(2,319)	-
NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(4,305)	(6,713)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Interest payable and similar expenses	11	(195)	(314)
Repayment of loans	19	(4,150)	(5,200)
Repayment of finance leases	22	(412)	(442)
NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES		(4,757)	(5,956)
NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(7,161)	(17,088)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		47,164	64,870
Foreign exchange losses on cash and cash equivalents		(50)	(618)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 31 DECEMBER		39,953	47,164
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 31 DECEMBER COMPRISE:			
Cash at bank and in hand	18	39,953	47,164



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Welding Institute (the Company) is a private company limited by guarantee and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the members are liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 towards the assets of the company in the event of liquidation.

The Company, together with its subsidiaries (the 'Group') is an international science, technology, training provider and consulting organisation, which is supported by a strong balance sheet, underpinned by its sizable land and building assets.

The company is incorporated and domiciled in England and Wales under the Companies Act 2006 and has its primary operations in Granta Park, Great Abington, Cambridge, United Kingdom.

The Group operates across a diverse revenue base, this is detailed in its accounting policies.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the modification to fair value basis for certain financial instruments and freehold property as specified in the following accounting policies.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102 in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are presented in Sterling

and all values are rounded to the nearest pound (£'000) thousands except when otherwise stated.

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgement in applying the Group's accounting policies (see note 3).

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and entities controlled by the Group (its subsidiaries). Control is achieved where the Group has the power to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities. Accounting policies consistent with those of the parent are used and all intra-group transactions, balances, income and expenses are eliminated in full on consolidation.

PARENT COMPANY SEPARATE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

In preparing the separate financial statements of The Welding Institute, advantage has been taken of the following disclosure exemptions available in FRS 102 on the basis the information is included in the consolidated financial statements:

- the requirement to present a statement of cash flows and the related notes;
- financial instrument disclosures including:
 - categories of financial instruments;
 - items of income, expenses, gains or losses relating to financial instruments; and
 - exposure to and management of financial risks

The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

2.2 GOING CONCERN

The Directors have carefully considered the ongoing appropriateness of the going concern basis in preparing these financial statements. In making their assessment the Directors have:

- Reviewed forecasts prepared by management and assessed the ability of the Group and Company to meet its ongoing obligations.
- Reviewed stress test scenarios considering the impact of reasonable possible alternatives on the Group and Company's projections, including an assessment of the potential impact of broader economic and geopolitical events on the Group and Company.
- Assessed the financing arrangements of the Group and Company.
- Considered the ability of the Group to continue to fund its defined benefit pension obligations.
- Considered the ability of the Group to continue to provide support to group undertakings

Having considered the above matters, the Directors are satisfied that the Group and Company have sufficient financial resources to meet its ongoing obligations as and when they fall due for the foreseeable future (being a period of at least twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements).

Accordingly, the Directors have concluded that it is appropriate for these consolidated financial statements to be prepared on a going concern basis.

During 2025, the group decided to discontinue operations in Pakistan, and Azerbaijan, accordingly the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 for these companies, which have been included in these financial statements, have been prepared on non-going concern basis.

2.3 TURNOVER

Turnover for the Group is recognised on key revenue streams, namely;

- Provision of research and development consultancy
- Provision of Laboratory and Office space
- Training and upliftment services
- Subscription Income

The Group recognises income at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable when the significant risks and rewards have been transferred, the amount of income can be measured reliably and it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the company.

It is measured as the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax and other sales taxes.

INCOME RECOGNITION RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANCY

Turnover from the provision of research and development consultancy is recognised in the accounting period in which the services are rendered. The majority of contracts are fixed-price, where turnover is recognised based on the proportion of deliverables provided, with consideration to the overall cost to deliver the project to the client, with an adjustment if the project is forecast to overrun.

Estimates of turnover or extent of progress toward completion are revised if circumstances change. Any resulting increases or decreases in estimated turnovers are reflected in the profit or loss statement in the period in which the circumstances that give rise to the revision become known by management. Estimated total hours are calculated for each project and progress to completion is based on detailed timesheets submitted.

In the case of both time and materials and fixed price contracts, the customer pays for the value of services provided based on an invoicing and payment schedule. If the services rendered by the

Group at the reporting date exceed the payments received to date, a contract asset is recognised (within trade receivables if the sales invoice has been raised or amounts recoverable on contracts if the services rendered have not been invoiced). If the payments exceed the services rendered, a contract liability is recognised. Consideration is payable when invoiced based on contractual payment terms.

TRAINING AND UPLIFTMENT SERVICES

Turnover from training and upliftment services is recognised when the course is delivered to the candidate. Where the course is yet to be delivered, any amounts received are deferred and recognised as a liability on the Balance Sheet.

PROVISION OF LABORATORY AND OFFICE SPACES

Turnover from the provision of laboratory and office space is recognised over the rental period. Any amounts received in advance are deferred and recognised on a straight line basis over the lease term.

The aggregate costs of lease incentives are recognised as a reduction to the income recognised over the lease term on a straight-line basis.

SUBSCRIPTION INCOME

Subscription income for membership services is recognised on a straight-line basis over the period of membership.

2.4 SALE OF INVESTMENT PROPERTY

Profit is recognised upon the official completion of the contracts. Profit is recognised as part of the Group's other income in the period in which it is realised. The profit on the disposal is calculated as the difference between the selling price and the carrying value of the investment property.

2.5 GOVERNMENT GRANTS

Grants are accounted under the accruals model in accordance with FRS 102.

Grants relating to expenditure on tangible fixed assets are credited to profit or loss at the same

rate as the depreciation on the assets to which the grant relates. The deferred element of grants is included in creditors as deferred income.

Grants that are aligned to our research and development consultancy services are recognised as income in the same period as the related expenditure.

Where the grant is drawn down based on expense submissions provided by the Group and subject to approval by the funding body, amounts received are recognised as capital or income at the point of approval as this is the point at which the amount of income can be measured reliably and it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the Group.

These amounts include costs incurred and a mark-up in line with the contract.

The deferred element of grants is included in creditors as deferred income.

2.6 FINANCE COSTS

Finance costs are charged to profit or loss over the term of the debt using the effective interest method so that the amount charged is at a constant rate on the carrying amount.

2.7 BORROWING COSTS

All borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the year in which they are incurred.

2.8 PENSIONS DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PENSION PLAN

The Group operates a defined contribution plan for its employees. A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Group pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. Once the contributions have been paid the Group has no further payment obligations.

The contributions are recognised as an expense in profit or loss when they fall due. Amounts not paid are shown in accruals as a liability in the Balance Sheet. The assets of the plan are held separately from the Group in independently administered funds.

DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

The Group operates a defined benefit plan for certain employees. A defined benefit plan defines the pension benefit that the employee will receive on retirement, usually dependent upon several factors including but not limited to age, length of service and remuneration.

The liability recognised in the Balance Sheet in respect of the defined benefit plan is the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the Balance Sheet date less the fair value of plan assets at the Balance Sheet date. The defined benefit obligation is calculated using the projected unit credit method. Annually the Group engages independent actuaries to calculate the obligation. The present value is determined by discounting the estimated future payments using market yields on high quality corporate bonds that are denominated in sterling and that have terms approximating to the estimated period of the future payments.

The fair value of plan assets is measured in accordance with the FRS 102 fair value hierarchy and in accordance with the Group's policy for similarly held assets. This includes the use of appropriate valuation techniques.

Actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are charged or credited to other comprehensive income.

The cost of the defined benefit plan, recognised in profit or loss as employee costs, except where included in the cost of an asset, comprises:

- the increase in net pension benefit liability arising from employee service during the period; and
- the cost of plan introductions, benefit changes, curtailments and settlements.

The net interest cost is calculated by applying the discount rate to the net balance of the defined benefit obligation and the fair value of plan assets. This cost is recognised in profit or loss within interest payable and similar expenses.

2.9 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and in hand and on demand deposits, together with short term, liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and that are subject to a minimal risk of changes in value.

2.10 LEASED ASSETS: LESSEE

Where assets are financed by leasing agreements that give rights approximating to ownership (finance leases), the assets are treated as if they had been purchased outright. The amount capitalised is the present value of the minimum lease payments payable over the term of the lease. The corresponding leasing commitments are shown as amounts payable to the lessor.

Depreciation on the relevant assets is charged to profit or loss over the shorter of estimated useful economic life and the term of the lease.

Finance lease payments are analysed between capital and interest components so that the interest element of the payment is charged to profit or loss over the term of the lease and is calculated so that it represents a constant proportion of the balance of capital repayments outstanding. The capital part reduces the amounts payable to the lessor.

All other leases are treated as operating leases and the rent payments are charged to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

LEASED ASSETS: LESSOR

Where the Group acts as lessor, it determines at lease inception whether each lease is a finance lease or an operating lease. To classify each lease, the Group makes an overall assessment of whether the lease transfers substantially all of the risks and rewards incident to ownership of the underlying assets. If this is the case, then the lease is treated as a finance lease; if not, then the lease is treated as an operating lease. The Group recognised lease payments received under operating leases as income on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The aggregate costs of lease incentives are recognised as a reduction to the income recognised over the lease term on a straight-line basis.

2.11 RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Research and development expenditure is expensed in the year in which it is incurred. Any tax credit receivable under the Research and Development tax scheme is included as operating income.

2.12 TANGIBLE ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

Tangible fixed assets under the cost model are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

At each reporting date the Group assesses whether there is any indication of impairment. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined which is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. An impairment loss is recognised where the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Freehold property	2% per annum
Short-term leasehold property	Over the period of the lease
Plant & Machinery	10% or 20% per annum
Fixtures, Fittings and Computer Equipment	10% or 20% per annum

Freehold land is not depreciated.

The assets' residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted prospectively if appropriate, or if there is an indication of a significant change since the last reporting date.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised in profit or loss.

2.13 INVESTMENT PROPERTY

Investment property is carried at fair value determined annually by external valuers and derived from the current market rents and investment property yields for comparable real estate, adjusted if necessary for any difference in the nature, location or condition of the specific asset. No depreciation is provided. Changes in fair value are recognised in profit or loss.

2.14 REVALUATION OF TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Individual freehold and leasehold properties are carried at fair value at the date of the revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses. Revaluations are undertaken on an annual basis to ensure the carrying amount does not differ materially from that which would be determined using fair value at the balance sheet date.

Fair values are determined from market based evidence normally undertaken by professionally qualified valuers.

Revaluation gains and losses are recognised in other comprehensive income unless losses exceed the previously recognised gains or reflect a clear consumption of economic benefits, in which case the excess losses are recognised in profit or loss.

2.15 PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES

Provisions are made where an event has taken place that gives the Group a legal or constructive obligation that probably requires settlement by a transfer of economic benefit, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Provisions are charged as an expense to profit or loss in the year that the Group becomes aware of the obligation, and are measured at the best estimate at the balance sheet date of the expenditure required to settle the obligation, taking into account relevant risks and uncertainties. When payments are eventually made, they are deducted from the provision carried in the Balance Sheet.

2.16 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Group has chosen to adopt Sections 11 and 12 of FRS 102 in respect of financial instruments. All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs), except for those financial assets classified as at fair value through profit or loss, which are initially measured at fair value (normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs), unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction. If an arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, the financial asset or financial liability is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Financial assets which qualify as basic financial instruments as laid out in FRS 102 paragraph 11.8, including trade and other receivables and cash and bank balances, are subsequently valued at amortised cost and assessed for impairment at the end of each reporting period. Any other financial assets, including investments, are subsequently valued at fair value.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into.

Financial assets and liabilities are only offset in the Balance Sheet when there exists a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and the Group intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Financial assets are de-recognised only when (a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are settled, (b) the Group transfers substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership or control of the financial asset, or (c) the Group, despite having retained some, but not all, significant risks and rewards of ownership, has transferred control of the asset to another party.

Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

2.17 PROVISIONS FOR ONEROUS CONTRACTS

A provision is recognised if, as a result of a past event, the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation that can be estimated reliably, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation.

Where the estimated costs to deliver a project exceed the amount of turnover the Group will receive for the deliverables of the project, the Group recognises an onerous contract provision when these circumstances are identified.

This is recognised through the profit and loss statement at the date that the circumstances are identified by the company. An annual review of all such projects is performed and the provision is accordingly adjusted as required.

2.18 FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION FUNCTIONAL AND PRESENTATION CURRENCY

The Group's functional and presentational currency is Sterling.

The Group's financial statements are presented in Sterling (£) and rounded to thousands (unless stated otherwise). The individual financial statements of each Group entity are prepared in the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (its functional currency). These financial statements are then translated into the Group's presentation currency for consolidation purposes as described below.

Transaction of overseas entities

In preparing the financial statements of the individual entities, transactions in currencies other than the functional currency of the individual entities (foreign currencies) are recognised at the spot rate at the dates of the transactions, or at an average rate where this rate approximates the actual rate at the date of the transaction.

At the end of each reporting period, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at that date.

Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction and non-monetary items measured at

fair value are measured using the exchange rate when fair value was determined.

Exchange differences are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

Translation of Group companies

For the purpose of presenting consolidated financial statements, the assets and liabilities of the Group's foreign operations are translated from their functional currency to Sterling using the closing exchange rate.

Income and expenses are translated using the average rate for the period, unless exchange rates fluctuated significantly during that period, in which case the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions are used.

Exchange differences arising on the translation of group companies are recognised in other comprehensive income. If the Group disposes of the foreign operation the cumulative exchange difference is not reclassified to profit or loss but is transferred within equity to retained earnings.

2.19 CURRENT AND DEFERRED TAXATION

The tax expense for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the income statement unless it relates to items recognised directly in equity, in which case it is recognised directly in equity or in other comprehensive income.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date in the countries where the Group operates and generates income.

Deferred tax balances are recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed by the Balance Sheet date. A deferred tax asset is recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realised.

Deferred tax is recognised at the tax rates that are expected to be applied to the temporary differences when they reverse, based on rates that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the Balance Sheet date.

2.20 HOLIDAY PAY ACCRUAL

A liability is recognised to the extent of any unused holiday pay entitlement which has accrued at the Balance Sheet date and been carried forward to future periods. This is measured at the undiscounted salary cost of the future holiday entitlement.

2.21 INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES AND ASSOCIATES

Investments in subsidiaries and associates are recognised in the balance sheet at cost. The carrying value of these investment are assessed for impairment at the Balance Sheet date.

2.22 DISCLOSURE EXEMPTIONS: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Group has taken advantage of exemptions available under FRS 102 and, accordingly have not disclosed related party transactions with wholly owned subsidiaries of the Company.

2.23 DISCLOSURE EXEMPTIONS: FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Group has taken advantage of the exemption under FRS 102 and, accordingly have not disclosed financial instruments which are recognised as amortised costs.

3. JUDGEMENTS IN APPLYING ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

The preparation of the financial statements requires the application of certain estimates and judgements. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The material areas of either estimation or judgement are set out below.

MATERIAL JUDGEMENTS

CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY

The Group owns a portfolio of properties. The properties held by the Group for their own operational use are classified as freehold land and buildings in accordance with Section 17 of FRS 102. The Group also manages a portfolio of investment properties which are classified as investment properties in accordance with Section 16 of FRS 102.

The Directors of TWI Limited appointed third party valuers to carry out a valuation of the Group’s property portfolio as at 31 December 2024. In respect of the Group’s main site at Granta Park, Cambridge this was valued by Bidwells LLP. In determining the fair value of the properties at Granta park the valuer carried out an individual assessment of each of the properties at the site. In addition to this the valuer also considered the fair value of the site as a whole on a “stand back and look” basis to assess the value of the site as a single lot. In considering the value of the site as a whole, the valuers noted that the site benefits from an approved outline planning application for the northern part of the site and that this increases the valuation of the site, such that the value of the site as a whole is £8.2m greater than the cumulative value of each of the individual properties. The valuers have determined that the combined value of the long leasehold properties and investment properties at Granta Park is assessed to be £120.0m.

In recognising this £8.2m valuation increment in the Group’s financial statements the Directors have noted that this value is attributed to the site as a whole and have therefore allocated this value based on the square footage of the total site. Accordingly, £6.3m of this valuation uplift has been attributed to the freehold property and £1.9m to the investment property.

Had reasonable alternative assumptions concerning the allocation of this valuation uplift been made the valuation of the Group’s freehold property and investment property may differ to the amounts recognised in these financial statements. However any change in these amounts would not have an impact on the total valuation of the combined value of the Group’s freehold and investment property valuation and would have had no overall impact on the Group’s total comprehensive income for the year, net assets or reserves. It is however noted that any change in assumption would result in a difference in the value of unrealised losses recognised in profit or loss with a compensating difference in other comprehensive income.

Key sources of estimation and uncertainty made in applying the group's accounting policies:

LIABILITIES ON DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION SCHEME	
The actuaries provide a summary of the actuarial assumptions proposed based on FRS 102 requirements and these are reviewed and, where appropriate, challenged by management.	Key estimates are the rate of future salary increases. The discount rate applied and utilised and the rate of inflation.
INVESTMENT PROPERTY AND FREEHOLD PROPERTY	
Fair values are prepared by recognised external valuers and reviewed and challenged by management.	Key estimates include discount rates, market rents and yields achievable by similar properties.
CONTRACT INCOME	
Income on certain projects is recognised on a percentage completion basis.	Key estimates are the estimated stage of completion and the identification of any potential project overruns. Factors considered are a failure to meet payment terms and known market conditions.
DEFERRED TAX	
Deferred tax assets and liabilities are calculated based on expected timings and tax rates of reversals of timing differences.	Key estimates are the ability to meet the conditions for the reversal of the timing differences, the timing of the reversal and the tax rates at the time of reversal.
ONEROUS CONTRACTS	
A provision for onerous contracts is recognised where the estimated costs to completion will exceed the expected turnover received from the client on a fixed-priced project.	Key estimates and judgments are made on the costs and efforts in order to meet the deliverables as per the agreed customer contract. Considerations such as technological challenges and testing failures are considered.

4. TURNOVER

An analysis of turnover by class of business is as follows:

TURNOVER BY CLASS OF BUSINESS	2024	2023 restated
	£000	£000
Membership subscriptions	6,887	6,726
Contracts	32,035	32,774
Training, examination, certification and other	25,095	22,829
Rents receivable	5,208	5,083
TOTAL TURNOVER	69,225	67,412

An analysis of turnover by country of destination is as follows:

TURNOVER BY COUNTRY OF DESTINATION	2024	2023 restated
	£000	£000
United Kingdom	38,357	39,820
Rest of Europe	8,309	4,527
Rest of the world	22,559	23,065
TOTAL TURNOVER	69,225	67,412

5. OTHER OPERATING INCOME

OTHER OPERATING INCOME	2024	2023 restated
	£000	£000
Research & development expenditure credit	1,839	1,791
Government grants released	3,195	1,976
Other operating income	1,027	758
TOTAL OTHER OPERATING INCOME	6,061	4,525

Other operating income includes an initiative with the Welsh Government, (AMERI) of £0.3m (2023: £0.5m), which has been recognised in government grants released.

6. UNREALISED LOSS ON REVALUATION OF INVESTMENT PROPERTY

	2024	2023
	£000	£000
Revaluation of investment property	(15,913)	(1,847)
TOTAL UNREALISED LOSS ON REVALUATION OF INVESTMENT PROPERTY	(15,913)	(1,847)

7. OPERATING PROFIT / (LOSS)

The operating profit / (loss) is stated after charging:

	2024	2023 restated
	£000	£000
Research & development charged as an expense	9,196	12,412
Exchange Differences	380	(1,068)
Other operating lease rentals	309	*247
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	5,465	4,429
Profit and loss on disposal of tangible assets	176	75

The group has restated depreciation of tangible fixed assets cost of £4,448,000 by £19,000 and other operating lease rentals cost of £274,000 by £27,000 in the income statement to remove PT. Teknologi Weldim Indonesia. See note 30.

8. AUDITOR'S REMUNERATION

	2024	2023
	£000	£000
Fees payable to the company's auditor and its associates in respect of:		
Audit of the Group's annual accounts	103	100
Audit of the UK subsidiaries' annual accounts	359	297
Audit of the overseas subsidiaries' annual accounts	118	75
TOTAL AUDIT FEES	580	472
Transfer pricing taxation advice (non-audit fees)	12	-

9. EMPLOYEES

The Welding Institute had no employees, other than Members of Council. During the year no Council Members received any emoluments. The below staff costs are therefore the staff costs of the Company's subsidiary undertakings.

	2024	2023 restated
	£000	£000
Wages and salaries	31,462	32,360
Social security costs	2,941	3,074
Cost of defined contribution scheme	2,099	2,202
Cost of overseas long-term employee benefits	337	376
TOTAL STAFF COSTS	36,839	38,012

The group has restated wages and salaries cost of £32,753,000 by £393,000, social security costs of £3,097,000 by £23,000, and defined contribution scheme costs of £2,371,000 by £169,000 to remove PT. Teknologi Weldim Indonesia. See note 30. The group has also restated the long-term benefits of overseas employees to include employee gratuity schemes in India, Thailand, Pakistan and the Middle East..

The average monthly number of employees, including subsidiary directors, during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023 restated
	No. Employees	No. Employees
Average number of employees	763	*762

*The prior year has been restated to remove the PT. Teknologi Weldim Indonesia average staff number of 34.

10. DIRECTORS' AND KEY MANAGEMENT REMUNERATION

During the year no Council Members received any emoluments or any other remuneration. The Executive Team of the TWI Limited are considered to be key management personnel of the Welding Institute.

During the current and prior year no retirement benefits accrued to directors in respect of the defined benefit pension scheme. During the year retirement benefits were accruing to 7 (2023: 8) Directors in respect of the defined contribution plan pension scheme.

The highest paid Director received remuneration of £221,000 (2023: £320,000). The value of the Company's contributions paid to a defined contribution pension scheme in respect of the highest paid Director amounted to £18,900 (2023: £75,000).

	2024	2023
	£000	£000
TOTAL KEY MANAGEMENT COSTS	1,639	2,158

11. INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND INTEREST PAYABLE

	2024	2023 restated
	£000	£000
Bank interest receivable	1,325	1,043
TOTAL INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR ITEMS	1,325	1,043

	2024	2023 restated
	£000	£000
Bank and other interest payable	119	228
Finance leases	76	86
TOTAL INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR EXPENSE	195	314

12. OTHER FINANCE COSTS

	2024	2023
	£000	£000
Net interest on net defined benefit obligation (note 28)	753	754

13. TAXATION

	2024	2023 restated
	£000	£000
CORPORATION TAX		
Current tax on profits for the year	1,556	1,277
Adjustment in respect of previous periods	188	292
TOTAL CURRENT TAX CHARGE	1,744	1,569
DEFERRED TAX		
Origination and reversal of timing differences	(4,013)	1,296
Adjustments in respect of prior periods	(339)	(639)
TOTAL DEFERRED TAX (CREDIT) / CHARGE	(4,352)	657
TAXATION (CREDIT) / CHARGE ON LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	(2,608)	2,226

A deferred tax charge of £507,000 (2023: £287,000 credit) relating to freehold property revaluations and a deferred tax charge of £1,402,000 (2023: £45,000) relating to actuarial movements in the defined benefit pension has been recognised in other comprehensive income.

13. TAXATION - CONTINUED

FACTORS AFFECTING TAX CHARGE FOR THE YEAR

The tax assessed for the year is lower than (2023: higher than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 25% (2023: 23.52%).

The differences are explained below:

	2024	2023 restated
	£000	£000
Loss on ordinary activities before tax	(14,564)	(5,227)
Loss on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 25% (2023: 23.5%)	(3,641)	(1,228)
EFFECTS OF:		
Fixed asset differences	535	414
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	997	4,466
Income not taxable for tax purposes	(409)	(886)
Research and development credits	-	109
Other permanent differences	-	(29)
Chargeable losses	(1)	(346)
Foreign tax charge	274	122
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of previous periods	188	292
Adjustment to deferred tax in respect of previous periods	(339)	(639)
Remeasurement of deferred tax for changes in tax rates	-	48
Movement in deferred tax not recognised	(32)	21
Differences between overseas subsidiaries tax rates and the standard rate of tax in the UK	(180)	(118)
TOTAL TAX (CREDIT) / CHARGE FOR THE YEAR	(2,608)	2,226

FACTORS THAT MAY AFFECT THE FUTURE TAX CHARGE

In 2021 an increase in the corporation tax rate to 25% with effect from 1 April 2023 was substantively enacted. The 25% rate has been used to measure UK deferred taxes in 2024 and 2023. In 2023, the 23.5% rate used to reconcile the tax charge for the year, reflects 9 months of the new rate and 3 months of the previous rate of 19%.

14. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold Property	Short-term Leasehold Property	Plant and Machinery	Fixtures, Fittings and Computers	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
COST OR VALUATION					
At 1 January 2024	99,328	7,259	50,810	6,789	164,186
Restatement	-	-	(2)	(130)	(132)
At 1 January restated	99,328	7,259	50,808	6,659	164,054
Additions	721	71	2,012	397	3,201
Disposal of subsidiary	-	-	-	(373)	(373)
Disposals	-	-	(929)	(1,717)	(2,646)
Transfers between classes	(807)	11	879	(83)	-
Transfer to assets held for sale	-	-	-	(6)	(6)
Revaluations in year	2,028	-	-	-	2,028
Exchange adjustments	130	-	38	24	192
At 31 December 2024	101,400	7,341	52,808	4,901	166,450
DEPRECIATION					
At 1 January 2024	8,755	1,899	35,052	4,609	50,315
Restatement	-	-	-	(58)	(58)
At 1 January restated	8,755	1,899	35,052	4,551	50,257
Charge for the year on owned assets	1,485	346	2,967	667	5,465
Disposal of subsidiary	-	-	-	(263)	(263)
Disposals	-	-	(765)	(1,698)	(2,463)
Transfers between classes	(4)	-	13	(9)	-
Transfer to assets held for sale	-	-	-	(4)	(4)
Exchange adjustments	8	-	21	14	43
At 31 December 2024	10,244	2,245	37,288	3,258	53,035
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31 December 2024	91,156	5,096	15,520	1,643	113,415
At 31 December 2023	90,573	5,360	15,756	2,108	113,797

14. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS CONTINUED

The net book value of land and buildings is further analysed as follows:

	2024	2023
	£000	£000
Freehold property	91,156	90,573
Short-term leasehold	5,096	5,360
TOTAL	96,252	95,933

The short-term leasehold property is held under finance leases. The net book value of these assets as at 31 December 2024 is £5,096,000 (2023: £5,360,000). The depreciation charge for the year on these assets was £342,000 (2023: £341,000) The short-term leasehold property acts as security for the lease liabilities.

On 31 December 2024 the long term leasehold property was revalued. The fair value was determined by independent professionally qualified valuers. The main input into the valuations was the market-based sales price per square metre, which ranged from £200/sqm to £400/sqm for the various properties.

15. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Institute investments in subsidiary companies	Group investments in Associates
	£000	£000
At 1 January 2024	10,358	8
Exchange	-	1
At 31 December 2024	10,358	9

All directly owned subsidiaries and other related companies during 2024 were as follows:

NAME	Registered office	Class of shares	Holding
TWI Ltd	England	Ordinary	100
The Test House (Cambridge) Limited	England	Ordinary	100
TWI Certification Limited	England	Ordinary	100
Plant Integrity Limited (dissolved 1 April 2025)	England	Ordinary	100
Granta Park Estates Limited	England	Ordinary	100
Waverley Technology Limited (dormant)	England	Ordinary	100
NSIRC Limited (dormant)	England	Ordinary	100
SIRF Limited (dormant)	England	Ordinary	100
TWI Technology (S E Asia) Sdn Bhd	Malaysia	Ordinary	100
GPE 1 Limited (indirect)	England	Ordinary	100
GPE 2 Limited (indirect)	England	Ordinary	100
TWI Estates Limited (indirect)	England	Ordinary	100
Granta Entrance Ltd	England	Ordinary	50
TWI Technology Centre (Yorkshire) Limited (dormant)	England	Ordinary	100
Abington Park Limited (dormant)	England	Ordinary	100

15. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS CONTINUED

All indirectly held subsidiaries and other related companies during 2024 were as follows:

NAME	Registered office	Class of shares	Holding
GPE 1 Limited	England	Ordinary	100
GPE 2 Limited	England	Ordinary	100
TWI Estates Limited	England	Ordinary	100
Granta Entrance Ltd	England	Ordinary	50
TWI Technology Centre (Yorkshire) Limited (dormant)	England	Ordinary	100
Abington Park Limited (dormant)	England	Ordinary	100
Welding Institute (Malaysia) Bhd*	Malaysia	Ordinary	0
TWI Middle East FZ, TWI Gulf WLL	UAE, Bahrain	Ordinary	100
TWI (India) Private Ltd	India	Ordinary	100
TWI Training and Services Company Ltd*	Thailand	Ordinary	49
TWI Turkey Muhendislik Tic. Ltd.sti	Turkey	Ordinary	100
TWI Technology Engineering (Private) Ltd	Pakistan	Ordinary	100
TWI Services Bhd*	Malaysia	Ordinary	30
Abington Park Limited (dormant)	England	Ordinary	100
TWI Training and Consultancy Ltd	Canada	N/A	100
TWI North America LLC (dissolved)	USA	N/A	100
TWI Belgium SPRL (dormant)	Belgium	Ordinary	100
TWI Global Technology Centre Pte Ltd	Singapore	Ordinary	100
TWI Kazakhstan LLP	Kazakhstan	Ordinary	100
TVI Turkey Engineering Trade Limited Company - Azerbaijan Republic Branch	Azerbaijan	Ordinary	100
TWI Middle East FZ LLC	UAE, Duba	Ordinary	100
Fullagar Technologies Limited (dissolved 1 April 2025)	England	Ordinary	100
TWI ABM Training & Certification Sdn.Bhd.	Malaysia	Ordinary	50
TWI Technology Middle East - Sole Proprietorship L.L.C	UAE	Ordinary	100
UK Welding Technology (Beijing) Co Ltd	China	Ordinary	30

* Welding Institute (Malaysia) Bhd has no shares as it is limited by guarantee. It is controlled by its directors. TWI Training & Services Company Limited has been set up as a “Thai Majority Company (with Foreign Control)”. TWI Services Bhd is 70% owned by local nominee shareholders, and TWI Services Bhd holds 98% of UK Welding Technology (Beijing) Co Ltd (China). However, all these entities are considered controlled by the group through their boards of directors.

16. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

FREEHOLD INVESTMENT PROPERTY

	2024	2023
	£000	£000
VALUATION		
At 1 January	75,484	75,400
Additions at costs	562	1,931
Loss on revaluation	(15,913)	(1,847)
AT 31 DECEMBER	60,133	75,484

On 31 December 2024 the investment properties were revalued. The fair value was determined by independent professionally qualified valuers who are RICS Registered Valuers and they have recent experience with valuing office space and bespoke technological laboratory spaces.

17. DEBTORS

	2024	2023
	£000	£000
DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		
Deferred tax asset	107	5,657
TOTAL DEBTORS DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR	107	5,657

	Group 2024	Institute 2024	Group restated 2023	Institute 2023
	£000	£000	£000	£000
DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR				
Trade debtors	11,254	-	12,988	-
Amounts owed by group undertakings	-	41,407	-	44,533
Other debtors	3,500	-	4,584	-
Prepayments and accrued income	3,144	-	3,604	-
Deferred taxation	-	-	4	-
Amounts recoverable on long term contracts	5,353	-	6,682	-
Tax recoverable	3,375	-	3,133	-
TOTAL DEBTORS DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	26,626	41,407	30,995	44,533

18. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2024	2023 restated
	£000	£000
Cash at bank and in hand	39,953	47,164
TOTAL CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	39,953	47,164

19. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Group 2024	Institute 2024	Group restated 2023	Institute 2023
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Bank loans	-	-	4,150	-
Payments received on account	6,722	-	8,130	-
Trade creditors	5,465	-	5,730	-
Amounts owed to group undertakings	-	10,488	-	9,888
Other taxation and social security	2,227	-	975	-
Obligations under finance lease	402	-	488	-
Other creditors	2,325	-	5,899	-
Corporation tax	161	-	3,297	-
Accruals and deferred income	13,948	-	16,945	-
TOTAL CREDITORS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	31,250	10,488	45,614	9,888

20. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£000	£000
Net obligations under finance leases	1,738	2,188
Accruals and deferred income	7,110	6,843
Other creditors	537	-
TOTAL CREDITORS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR	9,385	9,031

£2,767,000 of the grants will be amortised in more than five years, and £559,000 of the finance lease debt is not due for repayment within the next five years. The other creditors of £537,000 are overseas long term employee benefits.

21. BANK LOANS

Bank loans are due for repayment as follows:.

	2024	2023
	£000	£000
Within one year	-	4,150
TOTAL	-	4,150

22. FINANCE LEASES

Minimum lease payments under finance lease are as set out below. The finance lease liabilities are secured against the assets to which the lease relates.

	2024	2023
	£000	£000
Within one year	402	488
Between 1-5 years	1,179	1,600
Over 5 years	559	588
TOTAL FINANCE LEASES	2,140	2,676

23. PROVISIONS

ONEROUS CONTRACT PROVISION	2024	2023
	£000	£000
At 1 January	765	791
Additions	762	611
Utilised in the year	(580)	(637)
AT 31 DECEMBER	947	765

24. DEFERRED TAXATION

	2024	2023
	£000	£000
At 1 January	(18,088)	(17,693)
Credited / (Charged) to profit or loss	4,352	(657)
Foreign exchange differences	(12)	21
(Charged) / credited to other comprehensive income	(1,909)	241
AT 31 DECEMBER	(15,657)	(18,088)

The Group's deferred tax balance is made up as follows:

	2024	2023
	£000	£000
Capital gains	(16,837)	(20,225)
Tax losses carried forward	1,736	4,097
Accelerated capital allowances	(3,453)	(3,367)
Other short term timing differences	2,897	1,407
TOTAL NET LIABILITY AT 31 DECEMBER	(15,657)	(18,088)
COMPRISING:		
Asset - due after one year	107	5,657
Asset - due within one year	-	4
Liability	(15,764)	(23,749)
TOTAL NET LIABILITY AT 31 DECEMBER	(15,657)	(18,088)

25. RESERVES

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVE ACCOUNT

This reserve comprises translation differences arising from the translation of financial statements of the Group’s foreign entities into sterling.

REVALUATION RESERVE

This reserve represents the cumulative gain, net of deferred tax, on freehold properties.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

This reserve includes all current and prior period retained profits and losses.

26. ANALYSIS OF NET DEBT

	At 1 January 2024 Restated*	Cash flows	Other non- cash changes	At 31 December 2024
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Cash at bank and in hand	47,164	(7,159)	(52)	39,953
Debt due within 1 year	(4,638)	4,562	(326)	(402)
Debt due after 1 year	(2,188)	-	450	(1,738)
TOTAL	40,338	(2,597)	72	37,813

The Group has a £500,000 Letter of credit facility, which is available for general use and is not debt financed, a £50,000 Barclaycard credit card facility and a £106,000 historical bank guarantee in place in Kuwaiti Dinars.

27. PENSION COMMITMENTS - DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PENSION SCHEME

The Group operates a defined contribution pension scheme in the UK. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the Group in independently administered funds. The pension costs charge represents contributions payable by the Group to the fund and amounted to £2,099,000 (2023: £2,202,000) for the year. Contributions totaling £315,000 (2023: £314,588) were payable to the funds at the Balance Sheet date and are included in other creditors. There were 530 active members of the Defined Contribution Pension Scheme as at the end of 2024 (2023: 521).

Internationally the overseas subsidiaries pay into various long-term benefit schemes for their employees, including payments to government schemes, long-term service schemes and provident funds. During 2024, the total charge incurred by overseas subsidiaries for these long-term benefits amounted to £337,000 (2023: £376,000).

28. PENSION COMMITMENTS - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION SCHEME

The Group operates a Defined Benefit Pension Scheme. The scheme closed to accruals on 11 September 2020, and all active members of the Defined Benefit Pension Scheme were moved to the defined contribution scheme on this date.

This is a separate trustee administered fund holding the pension scheme assets to meet long term pension liabilities.

The most recent statutory funding actuarial valuation at 31 December 2022 showed a deficit of £15,046,000. After the sale of a parcel of land in 2021, resulting in a one-off pension contribution of £16.8m to the pension scheme a pension holiday was agreed with the trustees of the pension scheme until the end of 2025. Repayments are expected to recommence in 2026.

The net pension scheme liability is as follows:

NET PENSION SCHEME LIABILITY	2024	2023
	£000	£000
Fair value of plan assets	105,676	112,755
Present value of plan liabilities	(116,542)	(128,411)
NET PENSION SCHEME LIABILITY	(10,866)	(15,656)

The amounts recognised in the Income Statement are as follows:

	2024	2023
	£000	£000
Interest on obligation	753	754
Administrative expenses	66	37
TOTAL	819	791

28. PENSION COMMITMENTS - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION SCHEME CONTINUED

The reconciliation of the net present value from the prior year is as follows:

RECONCILIATION OF NET PRESENT VALUE OF PLAN LIABILITIES	2024	2023
	£000	£000
At 1 January	(15,656)	(15,046)
Net interest expense	(753)	(754)
Administrative expenses	(66)	(37)
Actuarial gains	5,609	181
AT 31 DECEMBER	(10,866)	(15,656)

The composition of plan assets is as follows:

COMPOSITION OF PLAN ASSETS	2024	2023
	£000	£000
Other assets	41,158	39,573
Equities	42,871	50,553
Debt instruments	5,183	10,586
Cash	16,464	12,043
TOTAL PLAN ASSETS	105,676	112,755

The actuarial gains in both years were as follows:

ANALYSIS OF ACTUARIAL GAIN/(LOSS) RECOGNISED IN OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	2024	2023
	£000	£000
Return on plan assets (excluding amounts included in net interest costs)	(5,655)	2,412
Experience gains and losses arising on the plan liabilities	79	2,606
Effects of changes in the demographic and financial assumptions underlying the present value of the plan liabilities - Gain/(loss)	11,185	(4,837)
TOTAL	5,609	181

28. PENSION COMMITMENTS - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION SCHEME CONTINUED

A reconciliation of opening and closing balances of the defined benefit obligation is as follows

CHANGES IN DEFINED BENEFIT OBLIGATION	2024	2023
	£000	£000
A 1 January	128,411	126,483
Interest cost	6,005	6,163
Actuarial (gains) / losses	(11,264)	2,231
Benefits paid	(6,610)	(6,466)
AT 31 DECEMBER	116,542	128,411

A reconciliation of opening and closing balances of fair value of the plans assets is as follows:

CHANGE IN FAIR VALUE OF PLAN ASSETS	2024	2023
	£000	£000
At 1 January	112,755	111,437
Interest income	5,252	5,409
Return on plan assets in excess of interest income	(5,655)	2,412
Benefits paid	(6,610)	(6,466)
Administrative expenses	(66)	(37)
AT 31 DECEMBER	105,676	112,755

28. PENSION COMMITMENTS - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION SCHEME CONTINUED

The principal actuarial assumptions at the balance sheet date (expressed as weighted averages):

	2024	2023
	%	%
Discount rate	5.55	4.80
Salary increase rate	2.45	2.40
Price inflation rate (RPI)	3.20	3.15
Price inflation rate (CPI)	2.70	2.65
Mortality rates		
For a male aged 65 now	22.5	22.4
At 65 for a male aged 45 now	23.8	23.7
For a female aged 65 now	24.5	24.4
At 65 for a female member aged 45 now	26.0	25.8

The best estimate of contributions to be paid by the group to the scheme for the year ending 31 December 2025 is £nil.

29. COMMITMENTS UNDER OPERATING LEASES

At 31 December 2024 the Group had future minimum lease payments due under non-cancellable operating leases for each of the following periods:

RENTS PAYABLE UNDER NON-CANCELLABLE OPERATING LEASES	2024	2023
	£000	£000
Not later than 1 year	200	135
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	113	35
TOTAL OPERATING LEASES - LAND AND BUILDINGS	313	170

RENTS RECEIVABLE UNDER NON-CANCELLABLE OPERATING LEASES	2024	2023
	£000	£000
Due within 1 year	2,548	4,132
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	6,753	12,050
Later than 5 years	1,012	5,888
TOTAL RENTS RECEIVABLE	10,313	22,070

30. PRIOR YEAR RESTATEMENT

During the year, after finding an option agreement had expired, following a review of the Group's legal documentation, the Board decided PT Teknologi Weldim Indonesia should be removed from the consolidation effective prior to 1 January 2023. The net impact from removing this company from the consolidation was to reduce the prior year opening reserves by £907,000, and increase the loss for the prior year by £62,000.

There have also been further reclassifications of (i) £4,557,000 from Turnover to Cost of sales for intragroup turnover in the prior year and (ii) wages and salaries of £2,334,000 from administration expenses to cost of sales to reflect the true nature of the cost. The impact of the prior year adjustments has been set out below:

	2023 REPORTED	OTHER RESTATE -MENT	INDONESIA RESTATE -MENT	2023 RESTATED
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Turnover	73,164	(4,557)	(1,195)	67,412
Cost of sales	(46,668)	2,223	658	(43,787)
GROSS PROFIT	26,496	(2,334)	(537)	23,625
Administrative expenses	(33,386)	2,334	615	(30,437)
Other operating income	4,658	-	(133)	4,525
Other operating charges	(1,068)	-	-	(1,068)
OPERATING PROFIT / (LOSS)	(3,300)	-	(55)	(3,355)
Unrealised loss on revaluation of investment property	(1,847)	-	-	(1,847)
Interest receivable and similar items	1,043	-	-	1,043
Interest payable and similar expenses	(287)	-	(27)	(314)
Other finance costs	(754)	-	-	(754)
LOSS BEFORE TAX	(5,145)	-	(82)	(5,227)
Taxation credit / (charge)	(2,244)	-	18	(2,226)
LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	(7,389)	-	(64)	(7,453)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR				
Unrealised gain / (deficit) on revaluation of tangible fixed assets	(1,146)	-	-	(1,146)
Deferred tax on revaluation of tangible fixed assets	287	-	-	287
Actuarial gains on defined benefit pension scheme	181	-	-	181
Movement of deferred tax relating to pension gains	(45)	-	-	(45)
Movement on foreign exchange reserve	(245)	-	2	(243)
TOTAL OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS FOR THE YEAR	(968)	-	2	(966)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE LOSS FOR THE YEAR	(8,357)	-	(62)	(8,419)

30. PRIOR YEAR RESTATEMENT (CONTINUED)

The net impact on the previously reported balance sheet at 31 December 2023 was a fall of £1.0m as (i) £0.7m of net assets of PT Teknologi Weldim Indonesia were removed, together with (ii) the restatement of a £0.3m provision against its debt due to TWI Limited. The restatement has been summarised in the following table:

	2023 REPORTED	INDONESIA RESTATE -MENT	2023 RESTATED
	£000	£000	£000
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	113,871	(74)	113,797
Investment in associates	8	-	8
Investment property	75,484	-	75,484
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS	189,363	(74)	189,289
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year	5,657	-	5,657
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	31,344	(349)	30,995
Cash at bank and in hand	47,822	(658)	47,164
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	84,823	(1,007)	83,816
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(45,726)	112	(45,614)
NET CURRENT ASSETS	39,097	(895)	38,202
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	228,460	(969)	227,491
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	(9,031)	-	(9,031)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES			
Deferred tax	(23,749)	-	(23,749)
Onerous provisions	(765)	-	(765)
Pension liability	(15,656)	-	(15,656)
NET ASSETS	179,259	(969)	178,290
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Freehold property revaluation reserve	59,277	-	59,277
Foreign exchange reserve	419	2	421
Profit and loss account	119,563	(971)	118,592
TOTAL FUNDS	179,259	(969)	178,290

	2023 REPORTED	OTHER RESTATE -MENT	INDONESIA RESTATE -MENT	2023 RESTATED
	£000	£000	£000	£000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Loss for the financial year	(7,389)	-	(64)	(7,453)
ADJUSTMENTS FOR:		-	-	
Depreciation of tangible assets	4,448	-	(19)	4,429
Loss on disposal of tangible assets	75	-	-	75
Research and development tax credit	-	(1,791)	-	(1,791)
Interest receivable and similar items	(1,043)	-	-	(1,043)
Interest payable and similar expenses	287	-	27	314
Taxation charge	2,244	-	(18)	2,226
Taxation received / (paid)	(303)	-	-	(303)
Decrease in debtors	1,310	-	52	1,362
Decrease in creditors	(5,693)	232	(112)	(5,573)
Increase / (decrease) in provisions	(57)	-	-	(57)
Net interest on defined benefit liability	754	-	-	754
Net fair value losses recognised in P&L	1,847	-	-	1,847
Foreign exchange differences	794	-	-	794
NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(2,726)	(1,559)	(134)	(4,419)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Interest receivable and similar items	1,043	-	-	1,043
Grant funding of fixed assets	-	1,559	-	1,559
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(7,460)	-	76	(7,384)
Purchase of investment properties	(1,931)	-	-	(1,931)
NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(8,348)	1,559	76	(6,713)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Interest payable and similar expenses	(287)	-	(27)	(314)
Repayment of loans	(5,200)	-	-	(5,200)
Repayment of finance leases	(442)	-	-	(442)
NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(5,929)	-	(27)	(5,956)
NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(17,003)	-	(85)	(17,088)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	65,491	-	(621)	64,870
Foreign exchange gains and losses on cash balances	(666)	-	48	(618)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 31 DECEMBER	47,822	-	(658)	47,164

31. DISPOSAL OF A SUBSIDIARY

On 20 December 2024, the Group's Greek subsidiary TWI Hellas Non-Profit Civil Partnership, was sold to the operating manager for €2. The net assets at the date of disposal were £23,000. The results of the subsidiary to the date of sale have been classified as discontinued, with the prior year comparatives restated.

The carrying amount of the assets and liabilities disposed on 20 December 2024 were follows:

	£'000
	£000
Tangible fixed assets	110
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	1,911
Cash at bank and in hand	2,319
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	(4,317)
NET ASSETS DISPOSED	23
SALES PROCEEDS RECEIVED	-
LOSS ON DISPOSAL	23

32. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

During previous years, the Group's subsidiary TWI (India) Private Limited ("TWI India") received a demand notice from the income tax authorities in relation to prior years' tax submissions. TWI India has filed an appeal against each of these enquiries. TWI India's appeal in respect of the tax year 2012-13 was successful and no additional liability is due in respect of that year. The enquiries in relation to the other years under investigation are ongoing however, the nature, of these enquires is comparable to the 2012-13 investigation. Given the successful outcome of that case management have a reasonable expectation that the outcome of each of the other enquiries will also be favourable to TWI India. Notwithstanding this there can be no absolute guarantee of the success or otherwise of these appeals and management note that the estimate of any potential liability that may become due amounts to approximately £0.9m. Management consider the likelihood of incurring this potential liability to be remote.

33. CONTROLLING PARTY

The Welding Institute (the Company) is a private company limited by guarantee and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the members are liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 towards the assets of the company in the event of liquidation. Accordingly, the Company has no ultimate controlling party.

34. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

Since the year end, the Group has progressed with winding down the operations of TWI Technology Engineering (Private) Ltd in Pakistan. Subsequent to the year end, the group decided to discontinue operations of two more overseas subsidiaries: TWI Kazakhstan LLP, and TVI Turkey Engineering Trade Limited Company - Azerbaijan Republic Branch. In addition, the operations of The Test House (Cambridge) Limited were hived up to TWI Limited on 01 January 2025.

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