

## **BARCLAYS CAPITAL ASIA HOLDINGS LIMITED**

### **STRATEGIC REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019**

#### **Business review and principal activities**

Barclays Capital Asia Holdings Limited is an investment holding company for Barclays Capital Japan Securities Holdings Limited and Barclays Funds and Advisory Japan Limited. During 2019 a decision was made to liquidate the Company. As the Directors intend to liquidate the Company, they have not prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis. The effect of this is explained in Note 3.

#### **Business performance**

The results of the Company show a profit after tax of ¥5,049,255,606 (2018: ¥9,035,218,518). The Company has total assets of ¥53,095,890,346 (2018: ¥53,095,890,346).

#### **Future outlook**

The Company is not expected to continue to act as an investment holding company. The Directors plan to liquidate the Company after the transfer of shares to the parent company.

#### **Principal risks and uncertainties**

From the perspective of the Company, the principal risks and uncertainties are integrated with the principal risks of the Barclays PLC Group and are not managed separately. Accordingly, the principal risks and uncertainties of Barclays PLC, which include those of the Company, are discussed in the Barclays PLC 2019 Annual report which does not form part of this report.

#### **Other key performance indicators**

The directors of Barclays PLC manage the Group's operations on a business cluster basis. For this reason, the Company's Directors believe that analysis using key performance indicators for the Company is not necessary or appropriate for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business of the Company. The development, performance and position of the Group, are discussed in the Barclays PLC 2019 Annual report which does not form part of this report.

#### **Section 172(1) statement**

The Directors have acted in a way that they considered, in good faith, to be most likely to promote the success of Barclays Capital Asia Holdings Limited (the 'Company') for the benefit of its sole member, and in doing so had regard, amongst other matters, to:

- the likely consequences of any decision in the long term;
- the need to foster the Company's business relationships with suppliers, customers and others;
- the impact of the Company's operations on the community and the environment;
- the desirability of the Company's maintaining a reputation for high standards of business conduct; and
- to act fairly between members of the Company.

The Directors also took into account the views and interests of a wider set of stakeholders, including our regulator, the Government, and non-government organisations.

Considering this broad range of interests is an important part of the way the Board makes decisions; however, in balancing those different perspectives it won't always be possible to deliver everyone's desired outcome.

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### STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

#### Section 172(1) statement (continued)

How does the board engage with stakeholders?

The Board will sometimes engage directly with certain stakeholders on certain issues, but the size and distribution of our stakeholders and of Barclays means that stakeholder engagement often takes place at an operational level.

In addition, to ensure a more efficient and effective approach, certain stakeholder engagement is led at Barclays Group level, in particular where matters are of group-wide significance or have the potential to impact the reputation of the Barclays Group.

The Board considers and discusses information from across the organisation to help it understand the impact of Barclays' operations, and the interests and views of our key stakeholders. It also reviews strategy, financial and operational performance, as well as information covering areas such as key risks, and legal and regulatory compliance. This information is provided to the board through reports sent in advance of each board meeting, and through in-person presentations.

As a result of these activities, the board has an overview of engagement with stakeholders, and other relevant factors, which enables the Directors to comply with their legal duty under section 172 of the Companies Act 2006.

The purpose of the Company is to act as an investment holding company. Due to the nature of the Company, no decisions were made by the Directors during the reporting period which required them to have regard to the matters set out in section 172 of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the board on 21 August 2020 and signed on its behalf.

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