

## **CPIA INVESTMENTS NO. 2 LIMITED**

### **Strategic Report For the Year Ended 31 December 2019**

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

The principal activity of CPIA Investments No. 2 Limited is to act as an investment holding company. No significant change in this activity is envisaged in the foreseeable future and the Directors expect the Company's performance in the foreseeable future to continue to achieve the goals of the Company.

#### **Business performance**

The results of the Company show a loss after tax of \$4,176,989 (2018: profit of \$3,683,165) for the year. The Company has net liabilities of \$(32,526,281) (2018: \$(28,349,292)).

#### **Principal risks & uncertainties**

The management of the business and the execution of the Company's strategy are subject to a number of risks. The key business risks affecting the Company are set out in the note 'Financial Risks' on pages 20 to 21. Risks are formally reviewed by the Board and appropriate processes put in place to monitor and mitigate them.

Whilst the direct and indirect impact of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak remains uncertain, a number of central banks and governments have announced financial stimulus packages in anticipation of a very significant negative impact on GDP during 2020. Concerns remain as to whether these policy tools will counter anticipated macro-economic risk and prolongation of the outbreak could significantly adversely affect economic growth, affect specific industries or countries. In addition, an escalation in geopolitical tensions or increased use of protectionist measures may also negatively impact the Company's business. See the 'Financial Risks' note for further information.

#### **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 relevant business cluster, which includes the Company, is discussed in the Barclays PLC 2019 Annual Report, which does not form part of this report, but is available at <https://home.barclays/investor-relations/reports-and-events/annual-reports/>.

#### **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 CPIA Investments No. 2 Limited 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 interests of the Company's employees;
- 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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### **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 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 and signed on its behalf.

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