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Mpact Limited Group Audited Consolidated Annual Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 December 2018

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Directors' responsibility statement and basis of preparation

The directors are responsible for preparing the consolidated annual financial statements in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

These consolidated annual financial statements have been prepared using accounting policies compliant with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), the SAICA Financial Reporting Guides as issued by the Accounting Practices Committee and Financial Reporting Pronouncements as issued by the Financial Reporting Standards Council and are in compliance with the Companies Act, 2008 of South Africa.

The preparation of these consolidated annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018 was supervised by the Chief Financial Officer, Mr BDV Clark CA(SA).

In preparing the consolidated annual financial statements of Mpact Limited and its subsidiaries ("Group"), International Accounting Standard 1, 'Presentation of Financial Statements', requires that the directors:

- select and apply accounting policies;
- present information, including accounting policies, in a manner that provides relevant, reliable, comparable and understandable information;
- provide additional disclosure when compliance with the specific requirements in IFRS are insufficient to enable users to understand the impact of particular transactions, other events and conditions on the entity's financial position and financial performance; and
- make an assessment of the Group's ability to continue as a going concern.

Approval of the Consolidated Annual Financial Statements

The directors confirm, that to the best of their knowledge, the consolidated annual financial statements are prepared in accordance with IFRS, the SAICA Financial Reporting Guides as issued by the Accounting Practices Committee and Financial Reporting Pronouncements as issued by the Financial Reporting Standards Council, and the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa, fairly present the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit of the Group and the undertakings included in the consolidation taken as a whole.

The directors believe that the Group has adequate resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future and the consolidated annual financial statements have therefore been prepared on a going concern basis.

The consolidated annual financial statements and related notes, which appear on pages 14 to 68 were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 12 March 2019 and were signed on its behalf by:

AJ Phillips
Chairman

BW Strong
Chief Executive Officer

Certificate by company secretary

In terms of section 88(2)(e) of the Companies Act, I certify that Mpact Limited Group has lodged with the Companies and Intellectual Property Commission all such returns, as are required of a Company in terms of the Act and, that such returns are true, correct and up to date.

Noriah Sepuru
Company Secretary

12 March 2019

Report of the directors

The directors have pleasure in presenting their report on the consolidated annual financial statements of Mpact Limited and its subsidiaries ("Group") for the year ended 31 December 2018.

Nature of business

Mpact is one of the largest paper and plastics packaging businesses in southern Africa, with leading market positions in recovered paper collection, corrugated packaging, recycled-based cartonboard and containerboard, polyethylene-terephthalate ("PET") preforms and trays, recycled PET ("rPET") and plastic jumbo bins. The principal activities of the Group remain unchanged from the previous year.

Mpact Limited is incorporated in the Republic of South Africa and is listed on the JSE.

Financial results

The Group's profit for the year ended 31 December 2018 was R327.0 million (2017: R287.5 million). Full details of the financial position and results of the Group are set out in the accompanying consolidated annual financial statements.

Segment analysis

An analysis of results by each operating segment can be found in note 2 of the consolidated annual financial statements.

Stated capital

The authorised share capital is 217,500,000 ordinary shares of no par value.

On 31 December 2018 the issued share capital of the Company was 173 304 517 ordinary shares of no par value. (2017: 171 461 623 ordinary shares of no par value).

Dividends

Notice is hereby given that the Board has declared a final gross cash dividend of 55 cents for the year ended 31 December 2018 (44 cents net of dividend withholding tax) per ordinary share. The dividend has been declared from income reserves. A dividend withholding tax of 20% will be applicable to all shareholders who are not exempt.

The Company's total number of issued ordinary shares as at dividend declaration date is 173,304,517. Mpact's income tax reference number is 9003862175.

The Board of Directors are satisfied that the liquidity and solvency of the company, as well as capital remaining after payment of the dividend is sufficient to support the current operations and to facilitate future development of the business in the year ahead.

Salient dates with regard to the ordinary dividend

Publication of dividend declaration	Wednesday, 13 March 2019
Last date of trade to receive a dividend	Tuesday, 2 April 2019
Shares commence trade ex-dividend	Wednesday, 3 April 2019
Record date	Friday, 5 April 2019
Payment date	Monday, 8 April 2019

All times provided are South African local times. The above dates and times are subject to change. Any material change will be announced on the SENS.

Share certificates may not be dematerialised or re-materialised between Wednesday, 3 April 2019 and Friday, 5 April 2019, both days inclusive.

Register of shareholders

The register of shareholders of the Company is open for inspection to members and the public, during normal office hours, at the office of the Company's transfer secretaries, Link Market Services South Africa Proprietary Limited.

Property, plant and equipment

Certain of the Group's properties are the subject of land claims. Mpact is in the process of discussions with the Land Claims Commissioner and awaits the outcome of claims referred to the Land Claims Court. The claims, if successful, are not expected to have a material impact on the Group's operations.

At 31 December 2018 the net investment in property, plant and equipment amounted to R3 737.3 million (2017: R3 822.0 million), details of which are set out in note 8 to the annual financial statements. Capital commitments at year-end for the Group amounted to R738.8 million (2017: R733.3 million), details of which are set out in note 28 to the annual financial statements. There has been no change in the nature of the property, plant and equipment or to the policy relating to the use thereof during the year.

Borrowings

In terms of the Memorandum of Incorporation, the directors are permitted to borrow or raise for the purposes of the Group such sums as they deem fit for the operation of the business. At the close of business on 31 December 2018, the total borrowings less cash resources were R2 124.6 million (2017: R2 243.7 million). At 31 December 2018, the Group had approved committed facilities of R2 960 million (2017: R2 900 million). Refer to note 16.

Events occurring after the reporting date

There were no significant or material subsequent events which would require adjustment to or disclosure in the consolidated annual financial statements except for the events disclosed in note 36.

Directors

The following directors have held office during the year ended 31 December 2018 and to the date of this report:

AJ Phillips (Chairman)	Independent Non-executive
NP Dongwana	Independent Non-executive
NB Langa-Royds	Independent Non-executive
PCS Luthuli (appointed on 21 December 2018)	Independent Non-executive
M Makanjee	Independent Non-executive
TDA Ross	Independent Non-executive
AM Thompson	Independent Non-executive
BW Strong (Chief Executive Officer)	Executive
BDV Clark (Chief Financial Officer)	Executive

Company secretary

The Company secretary of Mpact Limited is MN Sepuru.

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Auditor

Deloitte & Touche is the appointed auditor to the Company, with SJ Nelson the designated auditor.

Report of the Directors (continued)

Special resolutions passed by subsidiary companies

Notwithstanding the title of section 45 of the Companies Act, 71 of 2008, being “Loans or Other Financial Assistance to Directors” and an interpretation thereof, the body of the section also applies to financial assistance provided by the company to any related or inter-related company or corporation and a member of a related or inter-related corporation.

On 6 March 2018, all the subsidiaries of the Company passed special resolutions to authorise the companies to provide any direct or indirect financial assistance, including by way of lending money, guaranteeing a loan, or other obligations as it may be required or otherwise to any of its present or future related or inter-related companies or corporations for such amounts and such terms and conditions as the Board/s may determine.

Audit and risk committee

The Audit and Risk Committee (“the committee”) operates on a Group-wide basis. The committee, in terms of the Companies Act of South Africa, and King IV, has the responsibility, among other things, for monitoring the integrity of Mpact’s financial statements. It also has the responsibility for reviewing the effectiveness of the Group’s system of internal controls and risk management systems. An internal audit function has been established which is responsible for advising the Board of Directors on the effectiveness of the Group’s risk management process.

The committee oversees the relationship with the external auditors; is responsible for their appointment and remuneration; reviews the effectiveness of the external audit process; and ensures that the objectivity and independence of the external auditors is maintained.

In collaboration with the internal and external auditors, a combined assurance map was developed.

The committee has concluded that it is satisfied that auditor independence and objectivity has been maintained. The comprehensive report of the committee is included on pages 6 to 9.

Board of directors’ statement of effectiveness of controls

Based on the recommendation of the Audit and Risk Committee, nothing has come to the attention of the Board that caused it to believe that the Group’s system of internal control and risk management is not effective, or that the internal controls do not form a sound basis for the preparation of reliable financial statements.

Going concern

The directors consider that the Group has adequate resources to continue operating for the foreseeable future and that it is, therefore, appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the consolidated financial statements. The directors have satisfied themselves that the Group is in a sound financial position, and that it has access to sufficient borrowing facilities to meet its foreseeable cash requirements.

Interest of directors and prescribed officers in share capital

The aggregate beneficial holdings as 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 of the directors and prescribed officers of the Company in the issued ordinary shares of the Company are detailed below. There have been no changes in these shareholdings between 31 December 2018 and 12 March 2019, the date of approval.

	2018 Direct No. of shares	2018 Indirect No. of shares	2017 Direct No. of shares	2017 Indirect No. of shares
Executive director				
BW Strong	547 543	–	497 699	–
BDV Clark	–	133 762	–	77 678
Non-executive director				
AJ Phillips	8 914	1 516	8 730	1 486
Prescribed officers				
RP Von Veh	61 603	–	60 329	–
HM Thompson	361 813	–	359 488	–
JW Hunt	217 492	–	199 219	–
Total	1 197 365	135 278	1 125 465	79 164

There are no associate interests for the above directors and prescribed officers.

Interest of major shareholders in share capital

Major shareholders

(5% and more of the shares in issue)

	2018 No. of shares	2018 % of total issued share capital	2017 No. of shares	2017 % of total issued share capital
Allan Gray	36 536 582	21.08	35 847 426	20.95
Prudential Investment Managers	22 611 708	13.05	22 170 664	12.96
Public Investment Corporation	17 486 961	10.09	18 832 463	11.01
Coronation Fund Managers	10 484 883	6.05	6 173 257	3.61

Audit and risk committee report

Introduction

The Audit and Risk Committee has pleasure in submitting its report for the year ended 31 December 2018 in compliance with section 94(7) of the Companies Act.

The Audit and Risk Committee acts for the Company and all its subsidiaries, and is an independent entity accountable to the Board. It operates within a documented charter and complies with all relevant legislation, regulation and governance codes and executes its duties in terms of the requirements of King IV.

The committee's terms of reference were approved by the Board during the current financial year and are reviewed annually.

Composition

The Audit and Risk Committee comprises four non-executive directors, all of whom are independent. Tim Ross is the Chairman, Neo Dongwana and Andrew Thompson are the current members and Sibusiso Luthuli was appointed on 21 December 2018 to the Mpac board of directors and Audit and Risk Committee. The Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Head of Information and Communication Technology, the Group Risk and Sustainability Manager, a representative of KPMG, the independent Internal Auditor, and a representative of Deloitte & Touche, the independent External Auditor, and other senior managers all attend meetings by invitation.

The committee members are appointed annually by the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting.

Meetings

The Audit and Risk Committee held five meetings during the year. Tim Ross and Neo Dongwana attended all meetings of the committee during the year. Andrew Thompson attended four of the five meetings of the committee during the year.

Committee activities

The Audit and Risk Committee attended to the following during the year:

External auditors

The committee reviewed the independence of Deloitte & Touche as the Group's external auditor with SJ Nelson as the independent individual registered auditor who undertook the Group's audit for the current year. The committee considered all information as required by Section 3.86 of the JSE Listings Requirements in assessing Deloitte & Touche's independence, registration as a Registered Auditor and the ability to perform a quality audit of the Group.

After considering the below factors and the auditor's tenure, the committee is satisfied that Deloitte & Touche is independent of the Group.

The committee proposes the re-appointment of Deloitte & Touche as External Auditor and SJ Nelson as the independent individual registered auditor. The Group's shareholders are requested to vote at the Annual General Meeting.

Independence of external auditors

This assessment was made after considering the following:

- Confirmation from the external auditors that they, or their immediate family, do not hold any significant direct or indirect financial interest or have any material business relationship with Mpac. The external auditors also confirmed that they have internal monitoring procedures to ensure their independence.
- The auditors do not, other than in their capacity as external auditors or rendering permitted non-audit services, receive any remuneration or other benefits from Mpac.
- The auditor's independence was not impaired by the non-audit work performed having regard to the nature of the non-audit work undertaken and the quantum of the audit fees relative to the total fee base.
- The auditor's independence was not prejudiced as a result of any previous appointment as auditor. In addition, an audit partner rotation process is in place in accordance with the relevant legal and regulatory requirements.
- The criteria specified for independence by the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors.
- Information provided by the auditors in terms of the JSE Listings Requirements, Paragraph 22.15(h).
- The audit firm and the designated auditor are accredited with the JSE.

The committee confirms that the external auditor has functioned in accordance with its terms of reference for the 2018 financial year.

External auditors' fees

The committee:

- approved, in consultation with management, the audit fee and engagement terms for the external auditors for the 2018 financial year;
- reviewed and approved the non-audit services fees for the year under review and ensured that the fees were within limit and in line with the non-audit service policy; and
- determined the nature and extent of allowable non-audit services and approved the contract terms for the provision of non-audit services.

External auditor's performance

The committee:

- Reviewed and approved the external audit plan, ensuring that material risk areas were included and that coverage of the significant business processes was acceptable.
- Monitored the effectiveness of the external auditors in terms of audit quality and expertise.
- Reviewed the external audit reports and management's response, considered their effect on the financial statements and internal financial control.

Financial statements

The committee reviewed the interim results and year-end financial statements, including the public announcements of the Group's financial results, and made recommendations to the Board for their approval. In the course of its review, the committee:

- took appropriate steps to ensure that the financial statements were prepared in accordance with IFRS;
- considered the appropriateness of accounting policies and disclosures made; and
- in accordance with the JSE Listing Requirements approved the Group financial reporting procedure; and
- completed a detailed review of the going concern assumption, confirming that it was appropriate in the preparation of the financial statements.

Key audit matters

The figures disclosed in the annual financial statements in certain circumstances are arrived at using judgment. These are explained in detail in the accounting policies. The committee has considered the qualitative and quantitative aspects of the information presented in the statement of financial position and other items that require significant judgment and noted the following:

Valuation of the Polymer's plant

Mpact Polymers has incurred losses during the year, with throughput being constrained and targeted production volumes not achieved. The continuation of losses is an indicator of possible impairment of the Mpact Polymers plant. Taking the above into account, the Directors have performed an impairment test on the plant as at 31 December 2018. The recoverable amount was determined by calculating the net present value of forecast operating cash flows (discounted cash flows).

In determining the discounted cash flow, a weighted average cost of capital range of between 15.8% and 16.6% was used. The result of the impairment testing reflects no impairment on the Mpact Polymers plant, however the testing was sensitive to the following key variables:

- Growth rate used in the discounted cash flows,
- Production volumes and
- Efficiency yield

Improvements to the front end of the plant are planned to be completed in the first half of 2019 which is expected to significantly increase production volumes. The operating cash flows used in the impairment testing were based on production volumes which represent an achievable capacity utilisation forecast.

In determining the discounted cash flows, the directors assumed a production volume range of between 13,770 tons and 18,000 tons, as well as an efficiency yield range of between 63% and 68%. These assumptions have resulted in the recoverable amount exceeding the cost of PPE.

In assessing the impairment of the plant the benefit of the unrecognised tax losses were not taken into account. Based on the above, the directors are of the opinion that it is not necessary to impair the plant at Mpact Polymers, but will continue to monitor performance once the capital investments are fully implemented.

Audit and risk committee report (continued)

Valuation of Goodwill

Goodwill is assessed annually for impairment. Key assumptions used are operating cash flow projections, growth rates and discount rates. The cash flow projections are approved by senior management. The discount rate is calculated using market information, taking into account the geographic and other risk factors relating to the particular cash-generating unit being assessed. The committee considered the impairment test noting the assumptions used, its sensitivities and the resultant headroom. It is the Committee's opinion that the carrying value of the goodwill is fairly stated. Refer to note 7 of the consolidated annual financial statements.

Internal audit

The committee:

- Reviewed and approved the existing internal audit charter, which ensures that the Group's internal audit function is independent and has the necessary resources, standing and authority within the organisation to enable it to discharge its duties.
- Satisfied itself of the credibility, independence and objectivity of the internal audit function.
- Ensured that internal audit had direct access to the committee, primarily through the committee's Chairman.
- Reviewed and approved the annual internal audit plan, ensuring that material risk areas were included and that the coverage of significant business processes was acceptable.
- Reviewed the quarterly internal audit reports, covering the effectiveness of internal control, material fraud incidents and material non-compliance with Mpact's policies and procedures. The committee is advised of all internal control developments and advised of any material losses, with none being reported during the year.
- Considered and reviewed with management and internal auditors, any significant findings and management responses thereto in relation to reliable financial reporting, corporate governance and effective internal control to ensure appropriate action is taken.
- The internal audit function provided a written assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's system of internal controls and confirmed that based on their results of work undertaken, they provided reasonable assurance regarding adequacy and effectiveness of systems of internal control.

The committee has reviewed the independence of KPMG and the audit executive of internal audit as the Group's internal auditor and is satisfied with their independence.

Internal financial control and compliance

The committee:

- Reviewed and approved the existing treasury policy and reviewed the quarterly treasury reports prepared by management.
- Reviewed the quarterly legal and regulatory reports setting out the latest legislative and regulatory developments impacting the Group.
- Reviewed the quarterly report on taxation.
- Reviewed IT reports.
- Considered and, where appropriate, made recommendations on internal financial control.

Risk management

Management is regularly developing and enhancing the Group's risk and control procedures to improve the mechanisms for identifying, assessing and monitoring risks given that effective risk management is integral to the Group's objective of consistently adding value to the business. The Board approves strategies and budgets and monitors progress against the budget. It also considers the identified business risks.

Risk management is addressed in the areas of physical and operational risks, human resource risks, technology risks, business continuity and disaster recovery risks, credit and market risks and compliance risks.

The Group has implemented several policies and procedures to manage its governance, operations and information systems with regard to the:

- reliability and integrity of financial and operational information;
- effectiveness and efficiency of operations;
- safeguarding of assets; and
- compliance with laws, regulations and contracts.

The committee assessed the effectiveness of the controls and determined how well management perceived the identified controls. The Likelihood rating tables and Potential Loss Impact Rating were reviewed and approved.

The Risk Management Review is available on the website, www.mpact.co.za.

Combined assurance

A combined assurance map was developed by management in collaboration with internal audit and external audit. The mapping was compiled to help understand the level of coverage achieved by each assurance provider in terms of the third level of defence in the Combined Assurance Model. Although, the committee approved the Integrated Risk Assurance Framework it is noted that further improvements will be incorporated in the combined assurance map.

Integrated report

The committee fulfils an oversight role regarding the report and the reporting process. Accordingly, it has:

- considered the Integrated Report and has assessed the consistency with operational, financial and other information known to the Audit and Risk Committee members, and for consistency with the annual financial statements. The committee is satisfied that the Integrated Report is materially accurate, complete and reliable and consistent with the annual financial statements; and
- the committee recommended the Integrated Report for the year ended 31 December 2018 to the Board for approval.

Governance

The Board has assigned oversight of the risk management function to the committee, which has an oversight role with respect to financial reporting risks arising from internal financial controls, fraud and IT risks.

In line with the terms of the JSE Listings Requirements, the committee is satisfied that BDV Clark CA(SA) has the appropriate expertise and experience to meet the responsibilities of his appointed position as CFO as required by the JSE.

The committee is satisfied:

- that the resources within the finance function are adequate to provide the necessary support to the CFO; and
- with the expertise and experience of the Group Financial Manager.

In making these assessments, the committee has obtained feedback from the external and internal auditors.

Based on the processes and assurances obtained, the committee believes that the accounting practices are effective.

Assurance

The Audit and Risk Committee confirmed that they were prudent in exercising their duties of care and skill and they have taken reasonable steps to ensure that they performed their duties in accordance with the mandate.

On behalf of the Audit and Risk Committee

Tim Ross

Audit and Risk Committee Chairman

12 March 2019



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF MPACT LIMITED GROUP

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Mpact Limited and its subsidiaries ("the Group") set out on pages 14 to 68, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2018, and the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and the notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2018, and its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) and the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors Code of Professional Conduct for Registered Auditors (IRBA Code) and other independence requirements applicable to performing audits of financial statements in South Africa. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IRBA Code and in accordance with other ethical requirements applicable to performing audits in South Africa. The IRBA Code is consistent with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (Parts A and B). We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

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A full list of partners and directors is available on request

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B-BBEE rating: Level 1 contribution in terms of the DTI Generic Scorecard as per the amended Codes of Good Practice

Associate of Deloitte Africa, a Member of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF MPACT LIMITED GROUP

Key Audit Matter	How the matter was addressed in the audit
<p data-bbox="156 398 686 430">Valuation of the Polymers plant</p> <p data-bbox="156 430 686 577">The Polymers plant produces recycled polyethylene terephthalate ("rPET"). The process represents a relatively new technology to the Group and, to some extent, the country.</p> <p data-bbox="156 577 686 757">Since its initial commissioning of the plant in December 2015, it has experienced ongoing operating losses and forecast production volumes and efficiency yields have not been achieved. This is an indicator of potential impairment.</p> <p data-bbox="156 757 686 936">The Directors have performed a discounted cash flow exercise to assess the recoverable amount of the Polymers plant as required by IAS 36: <i>Impairment of Assets</i>, to determine the plant's value in use.</p> <p data-bbox="156 936 686 1326">The judgements with the most significant impact on the recoverable amount are disclosed in the accounting policies under the heading "<i>Impairment of non-financial assets</i>". The key judgements include the forecast production volumes and efficiency yields. These are considered to be highly subjective since they are based on Director's experience and expectations rather than observable, achieved statistics and their achievement is dependent on the successful final implementation of the additional capital expenditure incurred on the plant.</p> <p data-bbox="156 1326 686 1550">Due to the subjectivity and sensitivity of the efficiency yield and production volumes used in the determination of the Polymers plant's value in use, relative to current performance, this impairment test is considered a significant risk of material misstatement for audit purposes and a key audit matter</p>	<p data-bbox="686 398 1292 577">We evaluated the assumptions used by the Directors' in their valuation model to determine the value in use of the Polymers plant with specific emphasis on the production volumes and efficiency yields.</p> <p data-bbox="686 577 1292 609">Our audit procedures included:</p> <ul data-bbox="686 609 1292 1460" style="list-style-type: none"> • Performing a retrospective review of management forecasts to actual results to assess the reliability of forecasts; • Challenging the impairment calculations prepared by the Directors and as well as the validity of the key variables applied in the models; • Performing an independent sensitivity analysis of the production volumes and efficiency yields and assessing their impact on the value in use computation; • Inquiry from management, and obtaining written representations, in relation to their confidence in, and ongoing support for, the project; • Reviewing the results of independent experts' assessment of the plant and their recommendations on how to improve the production yields and volumes; • Considering the new production solutions that are being implemented to improve production volumes and efficiency yields; • Considering the manufacturer's report that confirmed that the plant, when running optimally, can produce the quantity of finished goods required to generate positive returns; • Recalculating the WACC rate used in the impairment model with the assistance of our corporate finance experts; and • Comparing the disclosure against the requirements of IAS 36. <p data-bbox="686 1460 1292 1617">We considered the Board's ongoing financial support for the project and their view that this phase of implementation, although taking longer than expected, will ultimately be successful in the foreseeable future.</p> <p data-bbox="686 1617 1292 1731">We concur with the Directors' decision not to impair in the current year based on current circumstances and consider the disclosure provided to be appropriate.</p>
<p data-bbox="156 1731 686 1762">Valuation of goodwill</p> <p data-bbox="156 1762 686 1874">The Group's goodwill balance of R1 045.0 million makes up 11% of total assets.</p> <p data-bbox="156 1874 686 1964">The Directors have allocated goodwill to the cash generating units ("CGUs") identified in note 7.</p> <p data-bbox="156 1964 686 2087">IAS36: <i>Impairment of Assets</i> requires that goodwill be tested for impairment annually. The Group uses a discounted cash flow model to determine its value in</p>	<p data-bbox="686 1731 1292 1897">We evaluated the assumptions used in the valuation model to determine the value in use of the cash generating units.</p> <p data-bbox="686 1897 1292 1928">Our audit procedures included:</p> <ul data-bbox="686 1928 1292 2087" style="list-style-type: none"> • Performing an independent sensitivity analysis of the valuations by increasing the discount rates and reducing growth rates and assessing the impact on the carrying value of goodwill;

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF MPACT LIMITED GROUP**

Key Audit Matter

How the matter was addressed in the audit

use.

The assumptions with the most significant impact on the cash flow forecasts are:

- The growth rate is considered to be highly subjective since it is based on Director's experience and expectations rather than observable market data.
- The discount rate which is based on the weighted average cost of capital.

Given that the valuation assumptions require significant judgement, the valuation of goodwill was considered a key audit matter.

- Challenging the impairment calculations prepared by the Directors and assessing the validity and reasonableness of the assumptions applied in the respective models, by comparing them to historical information and Board approved budgets;
- Recalculating the discount rate with the assistance of our valuation specialists;
- Performing an independent assessment of the book value of assets and liabilities, including goodwill, compared with the market capitalisation of the Group; and
- Comparing the disclosure against the requirements of IAS 36.

Based on the above procedures performed the Director's assumptions individually and in aggregate were within reasonable ranges and the disclosures for goodwill are appropriate and useful.

Other Information

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Directors' Report, Audit and Risk Committee's Report and Certificate by Company Secretary, as required by the Companies Act of South Africa, which we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report and the Integrated Report, which is expected to be made available to us after this date. Other information does not include the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express and audit any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed on the other information that we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, 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.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Consolidated Financial Statements

The Directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa, and for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, the Directors are responsible for assessing the Group'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 to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated 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 will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

DELOITTE & TOUCHE**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF MPACT LIMITED GROUP**

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

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors.
- Conclude 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 ability to continue as a going concern.
- If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with the Audit and Risk Committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the Audit and Risk Committee with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with the Audit and Risk Committee, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In terms of the IRBA Rule published in the Government Gazette Number 39475 dated 4 December 2015, we report that Deloitte & Touche has been the auditor of Mpact Limited for 14 years.

Deloitte & Touche

Registered Auditor

Per: SJ Nelson

Partner

12 March 2019

Consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

for the year ended 31 December 2018

	Note	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
Revenue from contracts with customers	2a	10 612.3	10 119.7
Cost of sales		(6 576.8)	(6 473.8)
Gross profit		4 035.5	3 645.9
Administration and other operating expenses ¹		(2 820.7)	(2 646.7)
Depreciation, amortisation and impairments		(595.7)	(555.5)
Operating profit	3	619.1	443.7
Share of profit from equity accounted investees	9	23.3	20.0
Net profit on sale of joint arrangements and subsidiaries	26	6.7	–
Profit from operations and equity accounted investees		649.1	463.7
Net finance costs	4	(219.9)	(202.6)
Investment income		12.2	11.4
Finance costs		(232.1)	(214.0)
Profit before tax		429.2	261.1
Tax (expense)/income	5	(102.2)	26.4
Profit for the year		327.0	287.5
Other comprehensive (loss)/income			
Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
Actuarial gains on post-retirement benefit scheme		10.7	4.9
Tax effect		(3.0)	(1.4)
Fair value adjustment of investment in equity instrument		(20.5)	–
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
Effects of cash flow hedge		5.6	(5.1)
Tax effect		(1.6)	1.4
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations		(1.2)	1.8
Other comprehensive (loss)/income		(10.0)	1.6
Total comprehensive income for the year		317.0	289.1
Profit attributable to:			
Equity holders of Mpact		316.2	275.2
Non-controlling interests		10.8	12.3
Profit for the year		327.0	287.5
Total comprehensive income attributable to:			
Equity holders of Mpact		306.2	276.6
Non-controlling interests		10.8	12.5
Total comprehensive income for the year		317.0	289.1
Earnings per share (EPS) for profit attributable to equity holders of Mpact:			
Basic EPS (cps)	6	185.1	162.1
Diluted EPS (cps)	6	184.9	162.0

¹ Administrative and other operating expenses includes an expected credit loss on trade receivables of R24.5 million (2017: R28.7 million) and an impairment loss on foreign cash balances of R4.8 million (2017: R4.8 million).

Consolidated statement of financial position

as at 31 December 2018

	Note	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
ASSETS			
Goodwill and other intangible assets	7	1 102.0	1 110.2
Property, plant and equipment	8	3 737.3	3 822.0
Investments in equity accounted investees	9	108.1	102.0
Financial assets	10	94.8	50.0
Deferred tax assets	18	8.6	6.9
Non-current assets		5 050.8	5 091.1
Inventories	11	1 748.1	1 431.2
Trade and other receivables	12	2 352.9	2 266.2
Cash and cash equivalents	13	705.9	350.6
Derivative financial instruments	14	0.9	2.1
Current tax receivables		20.5	40.4
Current assets		4 828.3	4 090.5
Total assets		9 879.1	9 181.6
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Capital and reserves			
Stated capital	15	2 669.2	2 621.4
Retained earnings		1 722.3	1 470.7
Other reserves		26.6	41.3
Total attributable to equity holders of Mpact		4 418.1	4 133.4
Non-controlling interests in subsidiaries		110.8	109.5
Total equity		4 528.9	4 242.9
Interest and non-interest bearing borrowings	16	1 400.8	1 387.6
Retirement benefits obligation	17	40.2	48.9
Deferred tax liabilities	18	227.3	212.2
Deferred income	19	18.0	23.5
Derivative financial instruments	14	3.9	9.5
Non-current liabilities		1 690.2	1 681.7
Short-term portion of borrowings	20	1 429.7	1 206.7
Trade and other payables	21	2 213.6	2 021.7
Provisions	23	6.2	4.6
Deferred income	19	5.5	5.5
Derivative financial instruments	14	0.7	17.1
Current tax liabilities		4.3	1.4
Current liabilities		3 660.0	3 257.0
Total liabilities		5 350.2	4 938.7
Total equity and liabilities		9 879.1	9 181.6

Consolidated statement of cash flows

for the year ended 31 December 2018

	Note	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
Cash flows from operating activities			
Operating cash flows before movements in working capital		1 217.6	1 019.4
Net (increase)/decrease in working capital		(234.8)	5.6
Cash generated from operations			
Dividends from equity accounted investees	27a 9	982.8 14.2	1 025.0 20.1
Taxation paid		(72.2)	(113.6)
Net cash inflows from operating activities			
Cash flows from investing activities			
Additions to property, plant and equipment and other intangibles	7/8	(534.1)	(856.4)
Proceeds from the disposal of property, plant and equipment		3.7	16.7
Proceeds from disposal of joint arrangement	26b	4.0	–
Proceeds from disposal of subsidiary	26c	29.4	–
Cash disposed of on disposal of joint arrangement	26a/c	(6.4)	–
Loan advances to associates		(29.4)	–
Loan repayments/(advances) from external parties		0.9	(3.5)
Interest received		13.5	11.4
Net cash outflows from investing activities			
Cash flows from financing activities			
Net borrowings raised	27b	230.9	196.3
Finance costs paid		(229.0)	(232.0)
Acquisition of non-controlling interest		–	(18.1)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests		(6.5)	(6.5)
Dividends paid to equity holders of Mpact Limited		(46.7)	(46.5)
Subscription of preference shares by non-controlling interest		18.9	–
Purchase of treasury shares		(22.1)	(50.1)
Net cash outflows from financing activities			
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents			
Net cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			
Net cash and cash equivalents at end of year			
	27c	694.7	342.8

Consolidated statement of changes in equity

for the year ended 31 December 2018

	Stated capital R'm	Share-based payment reserve R'm	Cash flow hedge reserve R'm	Post-retirement benefit reserve R'm	Other reserves ¹ R'm	Treasury shares R'm	Retained earnings R'm	Total attributable to equity holders of Mpact Ltd R'm	Non-controlling interest R'm	Total equity R'm
Balance at 31 December 2016	2 532.7	37.4	(3.2)	15.3	8.7	(29.9)	1 346.3	3 907.3	113.3	4 020.6
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	(3.7)	3.5	1.6	–	275.2	276.6	12.5	289.1
Dividends paid ²	88.7	–	–	–	–	(0.6)	(134.6)	(46.5)	–	(46.5)
Purchase of treasury shares ³	–	–	–	–	–	(50.1)	–	(50.1)	–	(50.1)
Share plan charges for the year	–	27.5	–	–	–	–	–	27.5	–	27.5
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(6.5)	(6.5)
Issue/exercise of shares under employee share scheme	–	(17.2)	–	–	–	30.3	(9.4)	3.7	–	3.7
Increase in shareholding by non-controlling interest ⁴	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	8.6	8.6
Put option held by non-controlling shareholder of subsidiary ⁵	–	–	–	–	21.7	–	(7.1)	14.6	–	14.6
Purchase of non-controlling interest ⁶	–	–	–	–	–	–	0.3	0.3	(18.4)	(18.1)
Balance at 31 December 2017	2 621.4	47.7	(6.9)	18.8	32.0	(50.3)	1 470.7	4 133.4	109.5	4 242.9
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	4.0	7.7	(21.7)	–	316.2	306.2	10.8	317.0
Dividends paid ²	47.8	–	–	–	–	(1.0)	(93.5)	(46.7)	–	(46.7)
Purchase of treasury shares ³	–	–	–	–	–	(22.1)	–	(22.1)	–	(22.1)
Share plan charges for the year	–	28.2	–	–	–	–	–	28.2	–	28.2
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(6.5)	(6.5)
Issue/exercise of shares under employee share scheme	–	(25.0)	–	–	–	15.2	7.0	(2.8)	–	(2.8)
Purchase of preference shares by non-controlling interest ⁷	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	18.9	18.9
Increase in shareholding by non-controlling interest ⁴	–	–	–	–	–	–	21.9	21.9	(21.9)	–
Balance at 31 December 2018	2 669.2	50.9	(2.9)	26.5	10.3	(58.2)	1 722.3	4 418.1	110.8	4 528.9

¹ Other reserves consist of foreign currency translation reserve and fair value adjustments to equity investments. In the prior financial year it also included the put option held by non-controlling shareholders.

² Dividends declared amounted to R93.5 million (2017: R134.6 million) of which R47.8 million (2017: R88.7 million) related to a capitalisation issue (refer to note 15). The dividend per share for the year was 55c per share (2017: 80c per share).

³ Treasury shares purchased represent the cost of shares in Mpact Limited purchased in the market and held by the Mpact Incentive Scheme Trust to satisfy share awards under the Group's share incentive scheme. As at 31 December 2018, there are 2 403 309 (2017: 1 914 874) treasury shares on hand.

⁴ A subsidiary company had a capitalisation issue, whereby the minority shareholder subscribed for additional shares in the subsidiary.

⁵ Derecognition of put option reserve as the option had expired. Refer to note 22.

⁶ During the prior financial year, the Group acquired the remaining interest in Pyramid Holdings (Pty) Limited as well as Mpact Recycling (Pty) Limited. Refer to note 25.

⁷ The non-controlling shareholder of Mpact Polymers subscribed for the subsidiary's preference shares on 1 August 2018.

Notes to the annual financial statements

for the year ended 31 December 2018

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

These consolidated annual financial statements have been prepared and presented in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), the SAICA Financial Reporting Guide as issued by the Accounting Practices Committee and the Financial Reporting Pronouncements as issued by the Financial Reporting Standards Council, the JSE Limited's Listings Requirements, and the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa. The consolidated annual financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for derivative financial instruments, financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss and available for sale financial assets. The consolidated annual financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The consolidated annual financial statements are presented in South African Rand, which is the Group's functional currency. All financial information presented in Rand has been rounded off to the nearest million.

The basis of preparation is consistent with the prior year, except for new and revised standards adopted to the consolidated annual financial statements.

New accounting policies, early adoption and future requirements

Standards and Interpretations early adopted by the Group

There were no Standards or Interpretations early adopted by the Group in the current year.

Standards, amendments to published Standards and Interpretations effective during 2018

The Group has adopted the following Standards and amendments to published Standards during the current year, which had no significant impact on the Group's results:

- **IFRIC 22 – Foreign currency transactions and advance considerations**

The amendment clarifies the exchange rate to use in transactions that involve advance consideration paid or received in foreign currency.

- **IFRIC 2 – Share-based payment**

The amendment addresses the classification and measurement of share-based payment transactions.

- **IFRIC 9 – Financial Instruments**

Change in Accounting Policy

The standard includes a classification and measurement model for financial assets and liabilities as well as a new expected credit losses (ECL) model for the impairment of financial assets that replaces the incurred loss model prescribed in IAS 39.

IFRS 9 affects the way the Group currently recognises credit losses in the profit and loss (P&L) statement. An expected credit loss-based impairment needs to be recognised on the Group's trade receivables in accordance with the new criteria.

The Group applied the standard retrospectively, however has used the exemption not to restate comparative information for prior periods, therefore the comparative information continues to be reported under IAS 39. The group has made use of the practical expedients in the standard, in particular the use of the provision matrix, which helps in measuring the loss allowance for short-term trade receivables. The expanded disclosure requirements have impacted the Group's presentation of financial instruments.

On adoption date, the ECL model did not result in a change in the IAS 39 allowances for trade receivables because of their short term nature. The ECL model also did not result in an impairment for other financial assets. Therefore, there was no need to adjust the retained earnings, financial assets and liabilities on 1 January 2018.

The Group has also adopted the consequential amendments to IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures and IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements.

The following table discloses the measurement categories under IAS 39 and IFRS 9 for each class of the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities as at 1 January 2018.

Category	IAS 39 classification	IFRS 9 classification	IAS 39 carrying amount	IFRS 9 carrying amount
Financial assets				
Trade and other receivables	Loans and receivables	Amortised cost	2 266.2	2 266.2
Loans receivable	Loans and receivables	Amortised cost	29.5	29.5
Equity investment	Available-for-sale	At fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) – equity instrument	20.5	20.5
Derivative financial instruments	At fair value through profit or loss	At fair value through profit or loss	2.1	2.1
Cash and cash equivalents	Loans and receivables	Amortised cost	350.6	350.6
Financial liabilities				
Borrowings	Amortised cost	Amortised cost	2 594.3	2 594.3
Trade and other payables	Amortised cost	Amortised cost	2 021.7	2 021.7
Derivative financial instruments	At fair value through profit or loss	At fair value through profit or loss	26.6	26.6

- **IFRS 15 – Revenue from contracts with customers**

Change in Accounting Policy

IFRS 15 establishes a five-step model to account for revenue arising from contracts with customers. Under IFRS 15, revenue is recognised at an amount that reflects the consideration to which the Group expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring goods or services to a customer. The main areas of focus are as follows:

1. Sale of goods

For contracts with customers the sale of products is generally expected to be the only performance obligation. The Group's revenue recognition occurs at a point in time when control of the product is transferred to the customer, generally on delivery of the products. The adoption of IFRS 15 did not have any impact on the Group's revenue and profit or loss.

2. Variable consideration

Some contracts with customers provide for trade discounts or volume rebates. Currently, the Group recognises revenue from the sale of goods measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, net of allowances, trade discounts and volume rebates. Such provisions give rise to variable consideration under IFRS 15, and will be estimated at contract inception and updated thereafter.

There was no impact to Revenue on the application of the variable consideration requirements.

The Group has adopted the standard using the cumulative effect method as there was no quantitative impact on the adoption of IFRS 15 for the comparative period.

Standards and amendments to published Standards and Interpretations that are not yet effective and have not been early adopted by the Group

The following Standards and amendments to published Standards and Interpretations, are not yet effective. The Group will adopt once the standards and amendments are effective.

- **IFRS 16 – Leases**

IFRS 16 is effective from 1 January 2019 and will replace IAS 17 Leases and IFRIC 14 Determining whether an arrangement contains a lease.

IFRS 16 sets out the principles for the recognition and measurement of leases and requires the Group to account for all leases under a single on-balance sheet model similar to the accounting for finance leases under IAS 17. At the commencement date of a lease, the Group will recognise a liability to make lease payments (i.e. the lease liability) and an asset representing the right to use the underlying asset during the lease term (i.e. the right-of-use asset). The Group will be required to separately recognise the interest expense on the lease liability and the depreciation expense on the right-of-use asset.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

Lessor accounting under IFRS 16 is substantially unchanged from the current treatment under IAS 17. The Group will continue to classify all leases using the same classification principle as in IAS 17 and distinguish between two types of leases: operating and finance leases.

Land and buildings are the most significant lease agreements that will affect the Group. Based on the Group's current assessment, the impact on adoption is expected to be between the range of R374 million to R485 million of additional liabilities that will be recognised in the statement of financial position with a corresponding property, plant and equipment. Profit before tax is expected to decrease between the range of R21 million to R51 million. The incremental borrowing rate ranges from 8.80% to 10.50%. The Group intends to apply the simplified transition approach and will not restate comparative amounts for the year prior to adoption.

• IAS 19 – Employee benefits

The amendments require an entity to use the updated assumptions from a remeasurement net defined benefit liability or asset resulting from a plan amendment, curtailment or settlement to determine current service cost and net interest for the remainder of the reporting period after the change to the plan. The amendment is effective from 1 January 2019. This amendment is not likely to have a significant impact to the Group.

• IFRIC 23 – Uncertainty over income tax treatments

The interpretation specifies how the Group should reflect the effects of uncertainties in accounting for income taxes. The amendment is effective from 1 January 2019 and it is not expected to have a significant impact on the Group current disclosures.

Segment reporting

The Group's operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the Group's Executive Committee, being the chief operating decision-making body. The Group organises the business in the following operating segments:

- Paper manufacturing
- Plastics
- Recycling
- Corrugated

The paper manufacturing, recycling and corrugated divisions have been aggregated into one reporting segment on the basis of similar economic characteristics.

Basis of consolidation

Subsidiary undertakings

The consolidated annual financial statements incorporate the assets, liabilities, equity, revenues, expenses and cash flows of Mpack Limited, and of its respective subsidiary undertakings drawn up to 31 December each year. Subsidiary undertakings are those entities over which the Group has the power, directly or indirectly, to govern operating and financial policy in order to obtain economic benefits.

The results of subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the years presented are included in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income from the effective date of acquiring control or up to the effective date of disposal, as appropriate. Where necessary, adjustments are made to the results of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies into alignment with those used by the Group.

For each business combination at initial recognition, the Group elects whether to measure the non-controlling interest in the acquiree at fair value or at the proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. After initial recognition non-controlling interests are measured as the aggregate of the value at initial recognition and their subsequent proportionate share of profits and losses.

Associates and joint arrangements

Associates are investments over which the Group is in a position to exercise significant influence, but do not have control or joint control, through participation in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee. Typically, the Group owns between 20% and 50% of the voting equity of its associates.

Investments in associates and joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method of accounting except when classified as held-for-sale.

The Group's share of the associates net income, presented net of tax, is based on financial statements drawn up to reporting dates that are either coterminous with that of the Group or no more than three months prior to that date.

The total carrying values of investments in associates and joint ventures represent the cost of each investment including the carrying value of goodwill, the share of post-acquisition retained earnings, any other movements in reserves and any long-term debt interests which in substance form part of the Group's net investment in that entity. The carrying values are reviewed on a regular basis and if an impairment has occurred, it is written off in the year in which those circumstances arose. The Group's share of an associate or joint venture losses in excess of its interest in those investments are not recognised unless the Group has an obligation to fund such losses.

Revenue recognition

Sale of goods

Revenue is derived principally from the sale of goods and is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, after deducting discounts, volume rebates, value added tax and other sales taxes. Returns and refunds are accepted from customers based on individual trade term agreements. The Group recognises revenue when it transfers control over goods to a customer. This is when title and insurance risk has passed to the customer, and the goods have been delivered to a contractually agreed location. The amount of revenue recognised is adjusted for expected returns, which are estimated by management. In this circumstance, a refund liability is recognised. All goods sold to customers occur at a point in time. Normal discounts, volume rebates are treated as variable consideration which is estimated upfront and adjusted for in the transaction price accordingly. The volume rebates are calculated on a percentage of the total invoiced sales to customers.

The Group does not adjust for the time value of money on sales with a payment term of less than 12 months from the transfer of control of the goods.

Cost of sales

Cost of sales are the amount of inventories expensed during the year in the normal course of business. Included within cost of sales are deemed finance charges that were incurred by utilising the credit facilities provided by trade creditors using normal payment terms. The amounts recognised as deemed finance charges are determined as the difference between the amount on the transaction date adjusted for the effects of the time value of money.

Business combinations and goodwill arising thereon

Identifiable net assets

At the date of acquisition the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of a subsidiary or an associate are recorded at their fair values on acquisition date. Assets and liabilities, which cannot be measured reliably, are recorded at provisional fair values which are finalised within 12 months of the acquisition date.

Cost of a business combination

At the date of acquisition, the cost of a business combination includes the fair value of assets provided, liabilities incurred or assumed, and any equity instruments issued by a group entity, in exchange for control of an acquiree. The directly attributable costs associated with a business combination are expensed as incurred. Business combinations in which all of the combining entities or businesses are ultimately controlled by the same party/parties both before and after the business combinations are referred to as common control business combinations. The carrying amounts of the acquired entity are the consolidated carrying amounts as reflected in the consolidated financial statements of the selling entity. The excess of the cost of the transaction over the acquirer's proportionate share of the net asset value acquired in common control transactions are allocated to equity. This is in accordance with the pooling-of-interest method.

Goodwill

Any excess of the cost of acquisition over the fair values of the identifiable net assets acquired is attributed to goodwill. Goodwill is subsequently measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses.

Goodwill in respect of subsidiaries is included within intangible assets. Goodwill relating to associates is included within the carrying value of associates.

Where the fair values of the identifiable net assets acquired exceed the cost of the acquisition, the surplus, which represents the discount on the acquisition (bargain purchase), is credited to the statement of profit or loss in the year of acquisition.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

Impairment of goodwill

Goodwill arising on business combinations is allocated to the Group of cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination and represents the lowest level at which goodwill is monitored by the Board for internal management purposes. The recoverable amount of the Group of cash-generating units to which goodwill has been allocated is tested for impairment annually on a consistent date during each financial year, or when such events or changes in circumstances indicate that it may be impaired.

Any impairment is recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss. Impairments of goodwill are not subsequently reversed.

Non-current, non-financial assets excluding goodwill, deferred tax and retirement benefit surplus

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment comprise of land and buildings, property, plant and equipment, other assets and assets in the course of construction.

Property, plant and equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Cost includes all costs incurred in bringing the assets to the location and condition for their intended use and includes borrowing costs incurred up to the date of commissioning.

Depreciation is charged so as to write off the cost of assets, other than land which is not depreciated, and assets in the course of construction, over their estimated useful lives to their estimated residual values.

Assets in the course of construction are carried at cost, less any recognised impairment. Depreciation commences when the assets are ready for their intended use. Buildings, plant and equipment, and other assets are depreciated to their residual values at varying rates, on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. Estimated useful lives range from three years to twenty years for items of plant and equipment, other assets and to a maximum of fifty years for buildings.

Residual values and useful lives are reviewed at least annually.

Assets held under finance leases are capitalised at the lower of cash cost and the present value of minimum lease payments at the inception of the lease. These assets are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and the expected useful lives of the assets.

Other intangibles and research and development expenditure

Other intangibles are measured initially at purchase cost and are amortised on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. Estimated useful lives vary between three years and ten years and are reviewed at least annually.

Research expenditure is written off in the year in which it is incurred. Development costs are reviewed annually and are recorded as an expense if they do not qualify for capitalisation. Development costs are capitalised when the completion of the asset is both commercially and technically feasible and is amortised on a systematic basis over the economic life of the related development.

Impairment of tangible and intangible assets excluding goodwill

At each reporting date, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets are impaired. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment, if any. Where the asset does not generate cash flows that are independent from other assets, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

An impairment is recognised as an expense in the statement of profit or loss. Where the underlying circumstances change such that a previously recognised impairment subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset, or cash-generating unit, is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount. Such reversal is limited to the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment been recognised for the asset, or cash-generating unit, in prior years. A reversal of an impairment is recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

Current non-financial assets

Inventory

Inventory and work-in-progress are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on the first-in first-out or weighted average cost basis as appropriate. Cost comprises direct materials and overheads that have been incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. Net realisable value is defined as the selling price less any estimated costs to sell.

Retirement benefits

The Group operates defined contribution plans for its employees, as well as post-retirement medical plans.

Defined contribution plans

For defined contribution plans, the amount charged to the statement of profit or loss is the contributions paid or payable during the year.

Post-retirement medical plans

For post-retirement medical plans, actuarial valuations are performed for each financial year-end. The average discount rate for the plans' liabilities is based on AA-rated corporate bonds or similar government bonds of a suitable duration and currency.

Actuarial gains and losses, which can arise from differences between expected and actual outcomes or changes in actuarial assumptions, are recognised immediately in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity. Any increase in the present value of plan liabilities expected to arise from employee service during the year is charged to underlying operating profit. The expected return on plan assets and the expected increase during the year in the present value of plan liabilities are included in investment income and interest expense respectively.

Past service cost is recognised immediately to the extent that the benefits are already vested or is amortised on a straight-line basis over the period until the benefits become vested.

The retirement benefit obligation recognised in the statement of financial position represents the present value of the defined benefit obligation as adjusted for unrecognised past service costs and as reduced by the fair value of scheme assets.

Tax

The tax expense represents the sum of the current tax charge and the movement in deferred tax.

Current tax

The current tax payable is based on taxable profit for the year. The Group's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is the tax expected to be payable or recoverable on differences between the carrying amount of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit and is accounted for using the liability method. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each reporting date and is adjusted to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the year when the liability is settled or the asset is realised. Deferred tax is charged or credited in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, except when it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also taken directly to equity.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the Group intends to settle their current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

Leases

Leases are classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

Operating leases

Rental costs under operating leases are charged to the statement of comprehensive income in equal annual amounts over the lease term.

Finance leases

Assets held under finance leases are recognised as assets of the Group on inception of the lease at the lower of fair value or the present value of the minimum lease payments derived by discounting at the interest rate implicit in the lease. The interest element of the rental is recognised as a finance charge in the statement of profit or loss, unless it is directly attributable to qualifying assets, in which case it is capitalised in accordance with the Group's policy on borrowing costs.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

Provisions

Provisions are measured at management's best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligation at the reporting date, and are discounted to present value where the effect is material.

Restoration and environmental costs

An obligation to incur restoration and environmental costs arises when environmental disturbance is caused by the ongoing production of a plant or landfill site. Costs for restoration of site damage are provided for at their present values and charged against profit or loss as the obligation arises.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised when the right to receive such grants is established and are treated as deferred income. They are released to the statement of profit or loss on a systematic basis, either over the expected useful lives of the assets for which they are provided, or over the periods necessary to match them with the related costs which they are intended to compensate.

Foreign currency transactions

Foreign currency transactions are recorded in their functional currencies at the exchange rates ruling on the dates of the transactions. At each reporting date, monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rates prevailing on the reporting date. Gains and losses arising on translation are included in the statement of other comprehensive income for the year and are classified as either operating or financing depending on the nature of the monetary items giving rise to them.

Translation of foreign operations

The Group results are presented in Rands (the Group's functional and presentation currency), the currency in which most of its business is conducted. On consolidation, the assets and liabilities of the Group's foreign operations are translated into the presentation currency of the Group at exchange rates prevailing on the reporting date. Income and expense items are translated at the average exchange rates for the year where these approximate the rates at the dates of transactions. Exchange differences arising, if any, are recognised directly in other comprehensive income, and accumulated in equity. Such translation differences are reclassified from profit or loss only on disposal or partial disposal of the foreign operation.

Share-based payments

The Group participates in a number of equity settled, share-based compensations, namely: Bonus share Plan (BSP) and Performance Share Plan (PSP). The vesting condition of the BSP is continued employment for a period of three years. The vesting condition of the PSP is dependent on Total Shareholder Return and Return on Capital Employed for a period of three years.

The fair value of the employee services received in exchange for the grant of share awards is recognised concurrently as an expense and an adjustment to equity. The total amount to be expensed over the vesting period is determined by reference to the fair value of the share awards granted, adjusted for market performance conditions and non-vesting conditions where applicable. Vesting conditions are included in assumptions about the number of awards that are expected to vest. At each reporting date, the Group revises its estimates of the number of share awards that are expected to vest. It recognises the impact of the revision to original estimates, if any, in the statement of comprehensive income, with a corresponding adjustment to equity. During the vesting period, participants do not have shareholders' rights. Therefore participants do not have the right to vote nor the right to share in the dividend distribution.

The fair value of the shares granted have been calculated by an actuary using the Black-Scholes-Merton model. The share price volatility is based on the historical share price volatility over a similar period of the grant.

Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised in the Group's statement of financial position when the Group becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. A financial asset or financial liability is initially measured at fair value. Trade receivables are without a significant financing component and are initially measured at the transaction price.

On initial recognition, a financial asset is classified as measured at: amortised cost; or fair value through profit or loss. On initial recognition of an equity investment that is not held for trading, the Group may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in the investment's fair value in OCI. This election is made on an investment-by-investment basis.

Equity investments

On initial recognition, investments, other than investments in subsidiaries and associates, are classified as measured at fair value through profit or loss. The Group has one equity investment and had elected to measure it at fair value through OCI. The Group intends to hold the investment for a long term period for strategic purposes.

Loans and receivables

On initial recognition, loans and receivables are classified as measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, less any expected credit losses as appropriate.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits, together with short-term, highly liquid investments of a maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and that are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. Bank overdrafts are shown within short-term borrowings in current liabilities on the statement of financial position. Cash and cash equivalents in the statement of cash flows and in the presentation of net debt are reflected net of overdrafts.

Trade receivables

On initial recognition, trade receivables are classified as measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, less any expected credit losses as appropriate. Management assesses the recoverability of trade receivables on an ongoing basis.

Trade payables

On initial recognition, trade payables are classified as measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Borrowings

Interest-bearing loans and overdrafts are initially recognised net of direct transaction costs. On initial recognition, borrowings are classified as measured at amortised cost. Any difference between the proceeds, net of transaction costs, and the redemption value is recognised in the statement of profit or loss over the term of the borrowings using the effective interest rate method.

Impairment of financial assets

The Group recognises loss allowances for expected credit losses (ECL) on financial assets measured at amortised cost. Credit losses are measured as the present value of all cash shortfalls. The Group measures loss allowances at an amount equal to lifetime ECL. Loss allowances for trade receivables are always measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECL. When determining whether the credit risk of a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition and when estimating ECL, the Group considers quantitative and qualitative information based on the Group's historical experience and informed credit assessment on specific customers and/or industrial sectors. The Group also assumes that the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly if it is more than 30 days past due. Loss allowances for financial assets measured at amortised cost are deducted from the gross carrying amount of the assets. The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is written off when the Group has no reasonable expectations of recovering a financial asset in its entirety or a portion thereof.

Borrowing costs

Interest on borrowings directly relating to the acquisition, construction and production of qualifying assets is capitalised until such time as the assets are substantially ready for their intended role or sale; where funds have been borrowed specifically to finance a project, the amount capitalised represents the actual borrowing costs incurred. Where the funds used to finance a project form part of general borrowings, the amount capitalised is calculated using a weighted average of rates applicable to relevant general borrowings of the Group during the construction period.

Derivative financial instruments and hedge accounting

The Group enters into forward, option and swap contracts in order to hedge its exposure to foreign exchange, interest rate and commodity price risk. The Group does not use derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes.

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value at the date a derivative contract is entered into and subsequently held at fair value in the statement of financial position within "derivative financial instruments", and, when designated as hedges, are classified as current or noncurrent depending on the maturity of the derivative. Derivatives that are not designated as hedges are classified as current, even when their actual maturity is expected to be greater than one year.

Changes in the fair value of any derivative instruments that are not formally designated in hedge relationships are recognised immediately in the statement of profit or loss and are classified within "Operating profit" or "Net finance costs" depending on the type of risk the derivative relates to.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

Cash flow hedges

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivative financial instruments that are designated as hedges of future cash flows are recognised directly in equity. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in the statement of profit or loss. If the cash flow hedge of a forecast transaction results in the recognition of a non-financial asset or a non-financial liability then, at the time the asset or liability is recognised, the associated gains or losses on the derivative that had previously been recognised in the Group's cash flow hedge reserve in equity are included in the initial measurement of the asset or liability. For hedges that do not result in the recognition of a non-financial asset or non-financial liability, amounts deferred in the Group's cash flow hedge reserve in equity are recognised in the statement of profit or loss in the same period in which the hedged item affects profit or loss on a proportionate basis.

Ineffective, expired, sold, terminated or exercised hedging instruments

Hedge accounting is discontinued when the hedging relationship is revoked or hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated, exercised, or no longer qualifies for hedge accounting. At that time, any cumulative gain or loss deferred in equity at that time remains in equity until the forecast transaction is ultimately recognised in the statement of profit or loss. If a hedge transaction is no longer expected to occur, the net cumulative gain or loss deferred in equity is included immediately in the statement of profit or loss.

Embedded derivatives

Derivatives embedded in other financial instruments or other host contracts are treated as separate derivatives when their risks and characteristics are not closely related to those of their host contracts and the host contracts themselves are not carried at fair value with unrealised gains or losses reported in the statement of profit or loss.

Equity instruments and dividend payments

Equity instruments

An equity instrument is any contract which evidences a residual interest in the net assets of an entity.

Repurchase of the company's own equity instruments is recognised and deducted directly in equity. No gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss on the purchase, sale, issue, or cancellation of the company's own equity instruments.

Dividend payments

Dividend distributions to the company's ordinary equity holders are recognised as a liability in the period in which the dividends are declared and approved. Final dividends are accrued when approved by the Board.

Special items to determine underlying operating profit

Special items are those items of financial performance that the Group believes should be separately disclosed to assist in the understanding of the underlying financial performance achieved by the Group and its businesses. Such items are material by nature or amount to the financial year's results. These items include impairment charges on tangible and intangible assets, impairment related to equity accounted investees, impairment to financial asset investments and impairment of foreign cash balances or reversals of any such items. Restructure costs associated with the closure of a plant where such cost would typically be included in earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA) will also be included in special items.

Earnings per share (EPS)

Basic EPS

Basic EPS is calculated by dividing net profit attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year. For this purpose, net profit is defined as the profit after tax and special items attributable to equity holders of the parent company.

Diluted EPS

For diluted EPS, the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue is adjusted to assume conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares, such as share awards granted to employees. Potential or contingent share issuances are treated as dilutive when their conversion to shares would decrease EPS. The effect of anti-dilutive potential shares is excluded from the calculation of diluted EPS.

Headline EPS

The presentation of headline EPS is mandated under the JSE Listings Requirements and is calculated in accordance with Circular 4/2018, "Headline Earnings", as issued by the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants.

Underlying EPS

Underlying earnings is arrived at after adjusting profit attributable to equity holders of Mpact for special items, net of tax and is a non-IFRS measure. It is included to provide an additional basis on which to measure the Group's earnings performance.

Accounting estimates and critical judgements

The preparation of the Group's financial statements includes the use of estimates and assumptions which affect certain items reported in the statement of financial position and the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income. The disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities is also affected by the use of estimation techniques. Although the estimates used are based on management's best knowledge of current circumstances and future events and actions, actual results may differ from those estimates. The estimates and assumptions that have a risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of certain assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below:

Estimated residual values and useful economic lives

The carrying values of certain tangible fixed assets are sensitive to assumptions relating to projected residual values and useful economic lives, which determine the depreciable amount and the rate at which capital expenditure is depreciated respectively. The Group reassesses these assumptions at least annually or more often if there are indications that they require revision. Estimated residual values are based on available secondary market prices as at the reporting date, unless estimated to be zero. Useful economic lives are based on the expected usage, wear and tear, technical or commercial obsolescence and legal limits on the usage of capital assets.

Impairment of non-financial assets

Impairment exists when the carrying value of an asset or cash-generating-unit exceeds its recoverable amount, which is the higher of its fair value less cost of disposal and its value in use.

The Group assesses annually whether goodwill, tangible and intangible assets have suffered any impairment, in accordance with the stated Group accounting policy. The recoverable amounts of goodwill allocated to cash-generating units, tangible and intangible assets are determined based on value-in-use calculations, discounted cash flow model (DCF), which require the exercise of management's judgement across a limited range of input assumptions and estimates. The principal assumptions used relate to the time value of money and expected future cash flows. The recoverable amount is sensitive to the discount rate used in the DCF model as well as the expected cash flows and the growth rate used for the extrapolation purposes.

Mpact Polymers has incurred losses during the year, with throughput being constrained and targeted production volumes not achieved. The continuation of losses is an indicator of possible impairment on the Mpact Polymers plant. An impairment test on the plant was performed as at 31 December 2018. The recoverable amount of the plant is sensitive to the operating cash flows based on achieving certain production volumes and efficiency yields. A discount rate of 16.4% together with a perpetual growth rate of 5.3% was used in the calculation. In determining the future cash flows, an efficiency yield of between 63% and 68% and a production volume range of 13 770 tons and 18 000 tons was assumed. The efficiency yield and production volumes are to be achieved once new equipment is installed. Based on these assumptions the recoverable amount exceeded the cost of PPE. On this basis no impairment was required on the plant. A reduction of 10% in the average efficiency yield will result in no impairment, however a reduction of 15% will result in an impairment charge of R45 million. A 10% reduction in the production volumes does not result in an impairment however reduces the value in use by R125 million.

Taxation

The calculation of the group's total tax charge necessarily involves judgements in respect of certain items whose tax treatment cannot be finalised until the conclusion of future outcomes.

Deferred tax assets

The recognition of deferred tax assets is based upon whether it is probable that taxable profits will be available in the future, against which the deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Management therefore exercises judgement in assessing the future financial performance of the particular entity or tax group in which the deferred tax asset is to be recognised. In recognising deferred tax assets, the Group considered profit forecasts and external market conditions which may affect profitability.

Post-retirement healthcare

The determination of the Group's obligation for post-retirement healthcare liabilities, depends on the selection of certain assumptions used by actuaries to calculate amounts. These assumptions include, among other, the discount rate, healthcare inflation costs, rates of increase in compensation costs and the number of employees who reach retirement age. Whilst the Group believes that these assumptions are appropriate, significant changes in the assumptions may materially affect post-retirement obligation as well as future expenses, which may result in an impact on earnings in the periods that the changes in assumptions occur.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

Share-based payment charges

The Group issues equity settled share-based payments to employees. Equity settled share-based payments are measured at fair value (excluding the effect of non-market-based vesting conditions) at the grant date. The fair value determined at the grant date of the equity settled share-based payments is expensed as services are rendered over the vesting period, based on the Group's estimate of the shares that will eventually vest and adjusted for the effect of non-market-based vesting conditions. The share payment expense relating to the awards of performance shares to the Group's executive directors and selected employees is based on the achievement of financial and service conditions. The probability of these conditions being achieved is estimated using an option pricing model.

Measurement of fair values

A number of the Group's accounting policies and disclosures require the measurement of fair values for both financial and non-financial assets and liabilities. The Group has an established control framework with respect to the measurement of fair values. Significant valuation issues are reported to the Group's Audit Committee.

When measuring the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Group uses observable market data as far as possible. Fair values are categorised into different levels in a fair value hierarchy based on the inputs used in the valuation techniques as follows:

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

If the inputs used to measure the fair value of an asset or a liability fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy, then the fair value measurement is categorised in its entirety in the same level of the fair value hierarchy as the lowest level input that is significant to the entire measurement.

The Group recognises transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy at the end of the reporting period during which the change has occurred.

Valuation of financial instruments

The fair value of financial instruments, excluding derivative instruments, not traded in active, liquid and organised financial markets is determined using a variety of valuation methods and assumptions that are based on market conditions and risks existing at the reporting date, including independent appraisals and discounted cash flow methods.

2. Operating segments

Identification of the Group's externally reportable operating segments

The executive committee is the Group's chief operating decision maker. The Group's externally reportable segments reflect the internal reporting structure of the Group, which is the basis on which resource allocation decisions are made by management in the attainment of strategic objectives.

Product revenues

The material product types from which the Group's externally reportable segments derive both their internal and external revenues are presented as follows:

Operating segments	Inter-segment revenues ¹	External revenues
Paper	Corrugated and paper board products	Corrugated and paper board products
Plastics	Plastic packaging products	Plastic packaging products
Corporate	N/A	N/A

¹ The Group operates a vertically-integrated structure in order to benefit from economies of scale and to more effectively manage the risk of adverse price movements in key input costs. Internal revenues are therefore generated across the supply chain.

Measurement of operating segment revenues, profit or loss, assets and non-current non-financial assets

Management has oversight of certain operating segmental measurements in order to make resource allocation decisions and monitor segmental performance. The operating segmental measurements that are required to be disclosed under IFRS 8, adhere to the recognition and measurement criteria presented in the Group's accounting policies. All intra-group transactions are conducted on an arm's length basis.

The Group's measure of net segment assets includes the allocation of retirement benefits surpluses and deficits on an appropriate basis. In addition, the Group's measure of net segment assets does not include an allocation for derivative assets and liabilities, non-operating receivables and payables and assets held for sale and associated liabilities. The measure of segment results, however, includes the effects of certain movements in these unallocated balances.

	2018			2017		
	Segment revenue R'm	Inter-segment revenue ² R'm	Revenue from contracts with customers R'm	Segment revenue R'm	Inter-segment revenue ² R'm	Revenue from contracts with customers R'm
2(a) Operating segment revenue						
Paper	8 285.7	(55.1)	8 230.6	7 744.9	(79.9)	7 665.0
Plastics	2 381.9	(0.2)	2 381.7	2 454.7	–	2 454.7
	10 667.6	(55.3)	10 612.3	10 199.6	(79.9)	10 119.7

² Inter-segment transactions are conducted on an arm's length basis.

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	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
2. Operating segments <i>continued</i>		
2(a) Operating segment revenue <i>continued</i>		
External revenue by product type		
Recycled containerboard, cartonboard and other materials	4 041.5	3 662.0
Corrugated packaging, bags and sacks	4 189.1	4 003.0
Plastic packaging solutions	2 381.7	2 454.7
Total	10 612.3	10 119.7
External revenue by location of customer		
South Africa (country of domicile)	9 269.9	9 012.0
Rest of Africa	1 103.6	958.7
Rest of World	238.8	149.0
Total	10 612.3	10 119.7

There are no external customers which account for more than 10% of the Group's total external revenue.

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
2(b) Operating segment underlying operating profit/(loss)		
Paper	694.4	443.0
Plastics	49.5	69.7
Corporate	(71.5)	(56.1)
Segments total before special items	672.4	456.6
Special items ³	(53.3)	(12.9)
Share of profit from equity accounted investees (refer to note 9)	23.3	20.0
Net finance costs (refer to note 4)	(219.9)	(202.6)
Net profit on sale of joint arrangements and subsidiaries	6.7	–
Profit before tax	429.2	261.1
Significant components of operating profit		
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment		
Paper	331.5	312.6
Plastics	232.9	215.2
Corporate	31.3	27.7
Segments total	595.7	555.5

3. Special items include impairment on property, plant and equipment of R29.6 million (2017: R4.9 million), impairment on foreign cash balance of R4.8 million (2017: R4.8 million), impairment on goodwill and intangible assets of Rnil million (2017: R3.2 million), impairment on an associate loan of R1.2 million (2017: Rnil million) and restructure costs of R17.7 million (2017: Rnil million).

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
2(c) Operating segment assets		
Segment assets⁴		
Paper	5 475.3	5 144.5
Plastics	1 951.9	1 954.7
Corporate ⁵	1 364.5	1 329.5
Inter-segment elimination	(21.4)	(8.4)
Segment total	8 770.3	8 420.3
Unallocated:		
Investments in equity accounted investees	108.1	102.0
Deferred tax assets	8.6	6.9
Other non-operating assets ⁶	191.4	251.8
Trading assets	9 078.4	8 781.0
Financial assets	94.8	50.0
Cash and cash equivalents	705.9	350.6
Total assets	9 879.1	9 181.6
Non-current non-financial assets⁷		
South Africa (country of domicile)	4 816.5	4 879.3
Rest of Africa	22.8	52.9
Total	4 839.3	4 932.2
Additions to non-current non-financial assets⁸		
Paper	258.6	569.3
Plastics	212.9	178.9
Corporate	62.6	108.2
Segments total	534.1	856.4

⁴ Segment assets are operating assets and as at 31 December 2018 consist of property, plant and equipment of R3 737.3 million (2017: R3 822.0 million), goodwill and other intangible assets of R1 102.0 million (2017: R1 110.2 million) inventories of R1 748.1 million (2017: R1 431.2 million) and operating receivables of R2 182.9 million (2017: R2 056.9 million).

⁵ Goodwill of R1 019.8 million (2017: R1 019.8 million) is allocated to Corporate's assets.

⁶ Other non-operating assets consist of derivative assets of R0.9 million (2017: R2.1 million), other non-operating receivables of R170.0 million (2017: R209.3 million) and current tax receivable of R20.5 million (2017: R40.4 million).

⁷ Non-current non-financial assets consist of property, plant and equipment and goodwill and other intangible assets, but excludes deferred tax assets and non-current financial assets.

⁸ Additions to non-current non-financial assets reflect cash payments and accruals in respect of additions to property, plant and equipment and intangible assets. Additions to non-current non-financial assets, however, exclude additions to deferred tax assets and non-current financial assets.

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	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
3. Operating profit		
Operating profit for the year has been arrived at after charging/(crediting):		
Impairment charge on goodwill and intangible assets (refer to note 7)	–	3.2
Impairment charge on property, plant and equipment (refer to note 8)	29.6	4.9
Impairment charge on foreign cash balances	4.8	4.8
Amortisation of intangibles (refer to note 7)	11.9	13.3
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment (refer to note 8)	554.2	534.1
Rentals under operating leases	134.2	110.5
Research and development	33.0	29.3
Bad debts provision movement (refer to note 12)	24.5	28.7
Net foreign currency (gains)/losses	(24.3)	19.3
Profit on disposal of tangible assets	(0.1)	(3.3)
Audit fees	10.6	10.2
Non-audit fees	0.4	0.3
Staff costs (excluding directors' emoluments)	1 740.1	1 613.5
Executive directors and prescribed officers short-term benefits (excluding value of deferred bonus shares awarded) ¹	45.9	31.7
Executive directors and prescribed officers post-employment benefits (excluding value of deferred bonus shares awarded) ¹	1.4	1.5
¹ The details of the executive directors' emoluments are disclosed in note 35.		
4. Net finance costs		
Investment income		
Bank deposits and loan receivables	10.0	9.7
Other	2.2	1.7
Total investment income	12.2	11.4
Finance costs		
Interest on bank overdrafts and loans ²	(227.2)	(236.4)
Interest on defined benefit arrangements (refer to note 17)	(4.9)	(5.1)
Interest capitalised to qualifying assets ³ (refer to note 8)	–	27.5
Total interest expense	(232.1)	(214.0)
Net finance costs	(219.9)	(202.6)

² Includes interest expense on minority shareholder loans of R9.7 million (2017: R25.2 million).

³ The prior year weighted average capitalisation rate on funds borrowed was 8.17% per annum.

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
5. Tax (expense)/income		
Analysis of tax charge for the year		
South African corporate tax		
– current tax	(94.0)	(104.5)
– prior year	1.1	0.1
Securities Transfer Tax	(4.0)	(0.2)
Current tax	(96.9)	(104.6)
Deferred tax in respect of the current year	(21.2)	128.6
Deferred tax in respect of prior year	15.9	2.4
Total tax (expense)/income	(102.2)	26.4
Factors affecting tax charge for the year		
The Group has an effective tax rate of 23.8% for the current financial year (2017: negative effective tax rate of 10.1%). The negative tax rate in the prior financial year was mainly due to the recognition of the S12I tax incentive relating to the Felixton mill project.		
The Group total tax charge for the year can be reconciled to the tax on the Group's profit before tax at the South African corporation tax rate of 28% (2017: 28%) as follows:		
Profit before tax	429.2	261.1
Less share of profit of equity accounted investees ²	(23.3)	(20.0)
Profit before tax, adjusted for equity accounted profit	405.9	241.1
Tax on profit before tax calculated at the South African corporation tax rate	(113.7)	(67.5)
Tax effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes		
Subscription and donations	(0.3)	(0.2)
Other non-deductible expenses	(0.1)	(0.1)
Legal and professional costs	(1.0)	(1.5)
Non-deductible interest	–	(0.2)
Non-deductible foreign exchange differences	–	(0.8)
Non-taxable income		
Non-taxable foreign exchange differences	0.5	–
S12I additional investment allowances ¹	19.4	122.8
Other non-taxable income	0.3	0.6
Temporary difference adjustments		
Recognised and unrecognised tax losses and other temporary differences	(19.9)	(28.0)
Effect of difference between South African corporate tax rate and other country tax rate	(0.4)	(0.8)
Prior year adjustment current tax	1.1	0.1
Prior year adjustment deferred tax	15.9	2.4
Withholding tax	(4.0)	(0.2)
Other adjustments	–	(0.2)
Tax charge for the year	(102.2)	26.4

¹ The current year S12I investment allowances related to capital investments in the Group. The prior year S12I additional investment allowances related to the Felixton Mill upgrade project, the tax benefit of which amounted to R114.2 million. The balance of R8.6 million related to other capital investments in the Group.

² Income from equity accounted investees is presented net of tax on the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income. The Group's share of its investees' tax is therefore not presented within the Group's total tax charge. The investees' tax charge included within "Share of investees" profit for the year ended is R11.6 million (2017: R7.7 million).

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	2018 Cents per share	2017 Cents per share
6. Earnings per share		
Earnings per share (EPS)		
Basic EPS	185.1	162.1
Diluted EPS	184.9	162.0
Headline earnings per share for the financial year		
Basic headline EPS	195.6	164.5
Diluted headline EPS	195.3	164.4
Underlying earnings per share for the financial year¹		
Basic underlying EPS	208.0	166.3
Diluted underlying EPS	207.7	166.2

¹ Underlying earnings is arrived at after adjusting profit attributable to equity holders of Mpact for special items, net of tax.

The calculation of basic and diluted EPS and basic and diluted headline EPS is based on the following data:

	2018 Earnings R'm	2017 Earnings R'm
Profit for the financial year attributable to equity holders of Mpact	316.2	275.2
Impairment of property, plant and equipment (refer to note 3)	29.6	4.9
Impairment of goodwill and other intangible assets (refer to note 3)	–	3.2
Profit on sale of joint arrangements and subsidiaries	(6.7)	–
Profit on disposal of tangible assets (refer to note 3)	(0.1)	(3.3)
Related tax	(4.9)	(0.8)
Headline earnings for the financial year	334.1	279.2
Profit for the financial year attributable to equity holders of Mpact	316.2	275.2
Impairment of property, plant and equipment (refer to note 3)	29.6	4.9
Impairment of goodwill and other intangible assets (refer to note 3)	–	3.2
Impairment of foreign cash balances (refer to note 3)	4.8	4.8
Impairment of loan to associate	1.2	–
Restructure costs	17.7	–
Related tax	(14.3)	(5.8)
Underlying earnings for the financial year	355.2	282.3
	Weighted number of shares	Weighted number of shares
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ²	170 784 638	169 746 140
Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares ³	253 484	78 066
Weighted average number of ordinary shares adjusted for the effect of dilution	171 038 122	169 824 206

² The weighted average number of shares takes into account the weighted average effect of changes in treasury shares and the capitalisation issue of shares during the year.

³ Diluted EPS is calculated by adjusting the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue, on the assumption of conversion of all potentially dilutive ordinary shares.

	Goodwill R'm	Other intangibles ¹ R'm	Total R'm
7. Goodwill and other intangible assets			
2018			
Cost			
At 1 January 2018	1 045.0	302.3	1 347.3
Additions	–	4.0	4.0
Transfer to property, plant and equipment	–	(0.3)	(0.3)
At 31 December 2018	1 045.0	306.0	1 351.0
Accumulated amortisation and impairment			
At 1 January 2018	–	237.1	237.1
Amortisation	–	11.9	11.9
At 31 December 2018	–	249.0	249.0
Net book value at 31 December 2018	1 045.0	57.0	1 102.0
2017			
Cost			
At 1 January 2017	1 046.9	303.7	1 350.6
Additions	–	0.6	0.6
Disposal	–	(0.3)	(0.3)
Impairment	(1.9)	(1.7)	(3.6)
At 31 December 2017	1 045.0	302.3	1 347.3
Accumulated amortisation and impairment			
At 1 January 2017	–	224.5	224.5
Amortisation	–	13.3	13.3
Disposal	–	(0.3)	(0.3)
Impairment	–	(0.4)	(0.4)
At 31 December 2017	–	237.1	237.1
Net book value at 31 December 2017	1 045.0	65.2	1 110.2

¹ Other intangibles mainly relate to software development costs; customer relationships and contractual arrangements capitalised as a result of business combinations.

Impairment testing

Goodwill is allocated for impairment testing purposes to cash-generating units (CGUs) which reflect how it is monitored for internal management purposes, in October each year. The Group considered several sources of estimation uncertainty and made certain assumptions/judgements about the future.

The recoverable amount of a CGU is determined based on a discounted cash flow model. The cash flow projections are based on financial budgets covering a five-year period that are based on latest forecasts for revenue and cost as approved by the Board. Cash flow projections beyond three years are based on internal management forecasts and assume a growth rate not exceeding Consumer Price Index. Post-tax cash flow projections are discounted using a post-tax weighted average cost of capital rate adjusted by the economic and political risks in South Africa that are not reflected in the underlying cash flows. A Weighted Average Cost of Capital range of between 11.0% and 12.2% (2017:10.5% and 13.0%) has been applied as a discount rate. Perpetuity maintenance capital expenditure has been assumed at 100% of depreciation. The calculated values in use exceeds the carrying amounts of the CGUs and therefore there is no impairment.

Expected future cash flows are inherently uncertain and could materially change over time. They are significantly affected by a number of factors, including market and production estimates, together with economic factors such as prices, discount rates, currency exchange rates, estimates of production costs and future capital expenditure. In respect of the CGUs a sensitivity analyses of a 1% increase in discount rate was performed and this did not give rise to an impairment. A 1% decrease in the growth rate together with a 1% decrease in cash flows did not give rise to an impairment.

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7. Goodwill and other intangible assets *continued*

During the prior financial year, goodwill and intangible assets were impaired by R1.9 million and R1.7 million respectively in a Group subsidiary. The impairment was as a consequence of the subsidiary selling the majority of its operating assets.

Carrying value of goodwill allocated to CGUs at the reporting dates is as follows:

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
Paper	694.5	694.5
Plastics	350.5	350.5
	1 045.0	1 045.0

8. Property, plant and equipment

	Land and buildings R'm	Plant and equipment R'm	Assets in the course of construction R'm	Other R'm	Total R'm
2018					
Cost					
At 1 January 2018	603.5	6 100.9	240.6	243.6	7 188.6
Additions	37.7	245.9	177.8	68.7	530.1
Disposals	–	(35.0)	–	(10.5)	(45.5)
Disposal of joint arrangement and subsidiaries	(37.3)	(8.9)	–	(1.3)	(47.5)
Currency movement	2.2	–	–	0.1	2.3
Transfer from inventory (refer to note 11)	–	3.2	–	–	3.2
Transfer from intangible asset	–	0.3	–	–	0.3
Reclassification	–	142.1	(144.8)	2.7	–
At 31 December 2018	606.1	6 448.5	273.6	303.3	7 631.5
Accumulated depreciation and impairment					
At 1 January 2018	134.1	3 072.8	–	159.7	3 366.6
Depreciation	30.6	488.5	–	35.1	554.2
Disposals	–	(32.2)	–	(9.7)	(41.9)
Disposal of joint arrangement and subsidiaries	(7.5)	(6.7)	–	(0.6)	(14.8)
Currency movement	0.4	–	–	0.1	0.5
Impairments	4.1	25.5	–	–	29.6
At 31 December 2018	161.7	3 547.9	–	184.6	3 894.2
Net book value at 31 December 2018	444.4	2 900.6	273.6	118.7	3 737.3

8. Property, plant and equipment *continued*

	Land and buildings R'm	Plant and equipment R'm	Assets in the course of construction R'm	Other R'm	Total R'm
2017					
Cost					
At 1 January 2017	506.1	5 325.8	443.0	242.2	6 517.1
Additions	94.6	562.7	177.4	21.1	855.8
Disposals	(0.6)	(193.0)	–	(20.3)	(213.9)
Currency movement	(0.7)	0.1	–	0.1	(0.5)
Transfer from inventory (refer to note 11)	–	2.6	–	–	2.6
Reclassification	4.1	375.2	(379.8)	0.5	–
Interest capitalised to qualified assets (refer to note 4)	–	27.5	–	–	27.5
At 31 December 2017	603.5	6 100.9	240.6	243.6	7 188.6
Accumulated depreciation and impairment					
At 1 January 2017	109.2	2 771.4	–	147.5	3 028.1
Depreciation	25.5	476.8	–	31.8	534.1
Disposals	(0.6)	(180.3)	–	(19.6)	(200.5)
Impairments	–	4.9	–	–	4.9
At 31 December 2017	134.1	3 072.8	–	159.7	3 366.6
Net book value at 31 December 2017	469.4	3 028.1	240.6	83.9	3 822.0

In the current year, cumulative amounts included in Assets in the Course of Construction addition were reclassified between additions and reclassifications as well as between the Assets in the Course of Construction and Plant and Equipment category totalling R325 million. Previously, these classifications were disclosed net of additions.

The land and buildings impairment loss in the current financial year was as a consequence of an asset being classified as part of a disposal group. The disposal group was sold during the current financial year. The plant and equipment impairment loss in the current financial year relates to an asset in the plastic segment where there was no economic benefit to the Group. The prior financial year impairment loss was due to the restructuring that took place in the plastics segment. Refer to the Group's disclosure on accounting estimates and judgements for impairments to non-financial assets.

The Group has pledged certain of its property, plant and equipment, other than assets under finance leases, as security in respect of the bank loans (refer to note 16).

The net book value and depreciation charges relating to assets under finance leases amounts to R9.8 million (2017: R10.9 million) and R3.3 million (2017: R3.9 million) respectively, and certain assets have been pledged as security for these long-term borrowings (refer to note 16).

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
Split of land and buildings between freehold and leasehold		
Freehold	427.5	452.4
Leasehold – long	16.6	16.7
Leasehold – short	0.3	0.3
Total land and buildings	444.4	469.4

A register of land and buildings and of leased assets is open for inspection upon prior arrangement at the registered office of the company.

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	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
9. Investments in equity accounted investees		
At 1 January	102.0	102.1
Share of profit	23.3	20.0
Dividends received	(14.2)	(20.1)
Disposal of investment (refer to note 26b)	(3.0)	–
Balance at 31 December	108.1	102.0
The Group's total investment comprises:		
Net asset value	88.4	82.3
Goodwill	19.7	19.7
Total equity	108.1	102.0
All investments are pledged as security in respect of the bank loans (refer to note 16).		
The Group has interests in equity accounted investees that are individually insignificant in relation to the Group. The operating activities of the equity accounted investees are linked to those of the Group.		
The Group's share of the summarised financial information of principal investments, all of which are unlisted, is as follows:		
Total non-current assets	38.0	57.3
Total current assets	196.3	192.0
Total non-current liabilities	(10.3)	(10.5)
Total current liabilities	(115.9)	(136.8)
Share of net assets¹	108.1	102.0
Revenue	670.7	622.9
Total operating costs	(635.8)	(595.2)
Profit before tax	34.9	27.7
Income tax expense	(11.6)	(7.7)
Share of profit for the financial year	23.3	20.0
¹ There are no material contingent liabilities for which the Group is jointly or severally liable at the reporting dates presented		
10. Financial assets		
Loan receivable ¹	40.0	22.7
Loan to associated companies ¹	33.5	6.8
Equity investment ²	–	20.5
Pension fund asset ³	21.3	–
Total financial assets	94.8	50.0

All financial assets are non-current as the repayment terms are greater than one year.

¹ Loans receivable are held at amortised cost. The Dalsu Holdings Proprietary Limited loan amounting to R32.1 million, included in loan to associated companies has been pledged to the IDC. Loan receivable includes the proceeds of R15.0 million on the disposal of Pretoria Box Manufacturers.

² On 1 January 2018, the Group designated the investment at FVOCI because it represents the Group's intention to hold for the long term for strategic purposes. In 2017, this investment was classified as available-for-sale. During the current financial year the investment has been revalued to R1.

³ This represents a net surplus in the Mondl/Impact Pension Fund.

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
11. Inventories		
Raw materials and consumables	1 013.7	886.5
Work in progress	50.5	43.7
Finished goods	683.9	501.0
Total inventories	1 748.1	1 431.2
Inventory is held at lower of cost or net realisable value.		
Write-down of inventories	29.7	18.8
Reversal of write-down of inventories	(13.4)	(10.2)
Cost of inventories recognised as an expense	4 805.4	4 753.0
Inventory capitalised to property, plant and equipment (refer to note 8)	(3.2)	(2.6)
Certain inventories are pledged as security for the bank loans (refer to note 16).		

12. Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables (a)		
– external	2 083.2	1 884.6
– related parties (refer to note 33)	161.2	213.9
Allowance for doubtful debts (b)	(78.3)	(70.0)
Net trade receivables	2 166.1	2 028.5
Other receivables	170.0	209.3
Prepayments and accrued income	16.8	28.4
Total trade and other receivables	2 352.9	2 266.2

The fair values of trade and other receivables approximate the carrying values presented. Trade receivables generally have 30 to 90 days payment terms and are recognised and carried at its original invoice amount less an allowance for any uncollectible amounts. The Group also allows extended payment terms to customers in certain industrial sectors.

Trade and other receivables are pledged as security for the bank loans (refer to note 16).

a) Trade receivables: Credit risk

The Group's exposure to the credit risk inherent in their trade receivables and the associated risk management techniques that the Group deploys in order to mitigate this risk are discussed in note 32. Credit periods offered to customers vary according to the credit risk profiles and invoicing conventions established by participants operating in the various markets in which the Group operates. Interest is charged at an appropriate rate on balances which are considered overdue in the relevant market.

To the extent that recoverable amounts are estimated to be less than their associated carrying values, impairment charges have been recorded in the statement of profit or loss and the carrying values have been written down to their recoverable amounts.

The Group uses an allowance matrix to measure expected credit losses (ECL) of trade receivables from customers. The following table provides information about the exposure to credit risk and ECLs for trade receivables as at 31 December 2018.

31 December 2018	Weighted average loss rate %	Gross carrying value R'm	Loss allowance R'm
Current (not past due)	0.3	1 805.8	(6.0)
Less than one month past due	1.2	210.7	(2.5)
One to two months past due	8.5	86.2	(7.3)
Two to three months past due	21.5	33.1	(7.1)
More than three months past due	51.0	108.6	(55.4)
		2 244.4	(78.3)

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12. Trade and other receivables *continued*

The comparative information is prepared under IAS 39. Below is an age analysis of past due trade receivables:

	Gross carrying value
31 December 2017	
Less than one month past due	165.6
One to two months past due	51.9
Two to three months past due	41.5
More than three months past due	87.4
	346.4

The group did not enter into any debt factoring arrangements.

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
b) Movement in the impairment allowance account		
At 1 January	70.0	44.4
Amounts written off or recovered during the year	(16.2)	(3.1)
Increase in allowance recognised in the statement of profit or loss	24.5	28.7
At 31 December	78.3	70.0
Trade receivable analysis		
Concentration spread of trade receivables		
Debtors over R20 million ¹	761.7	686.6
Debtors between R10 million to R20 million ¹	183.2	106.8
Debtors less than R10 million ¹	45.8	62.2
Remaining concentration	1 253.7	1 242.9
Total debtors	2 244.4	2 098.5
Geographical spread of trade receivables		
South Africa	1 919.8	1 776.0
Rest of Africa	274.6	311.0
Rest of World	50.0	11.5
Total debtors	2 244.4	2 098.5

¹ Debtors monitored by senior management.

At 31 December 2018, the carrying amount of the Group's most significant customer was R88.9 million (2017: R58.4 million). Trade receivables with a contractual amount of R10.6 million written off during the current financial year and are still subject to enforcement activity.

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
13. Cash and cash equivalents		
Cash at bank and on hand	705.9	350.6

Cash at banks earns interest based on daily bank deposit rates.

Certain bank accounts within the Group are pledged as security for the bank loans (refer to note 16).

14. Derivative financial instruments

	2018			2017		
	Asset R'm	Liability R'm	Notional amount R'm	Asset R'm	Liability R'm	Notional amount R'm
Non-current derivative						
Cash flow hedges						
Interest rate swaps	–	(3.9)	500.0	–	(9.5)	500.0
Current derivative						
Held for trading¹						
Foreign exchange contracts	0.9	(0.7)	37.2	2.1	(17.1)	183.3

¹ There were no held-for-trading derivative assets and liabilities, classified as current in accordance with IAS 1: "Presentation of Financial Statements", which are due to mature after more than one year, for all the years presented. The inputs in determining fair value are classed as level 2 in terms of IFRS.

Derivative financial instruments are held at fair value. Appropriate valuation methodologies are employed to measure the fair value of derivative financial instruments (refer note 32).

The notional amounts presented represent the aggregate face value of all foreign exchange contracts and interest rate swaps at year-end. They do not indicate the contractual future cash flows of the derivative instruments held or their current fair value and therefore do not indicate the Group's exposure to credit or market risks. Note 32 provides an overview of the Group's management of financial risks through the selective use of derivative financial instruments and also includes a presentation of the undiscounted future contractual cash flows of the derivative contracts outstanding at the reporting date.

Hedging

Cash flow hedges

The Group designates certain derivative financial instruments as cash flow hedges. The fair value (losses)/gains reclassified from the cash flow hedge reserve during the year and matched against the realisation of hedged risks in the consolidated statement of profit or loss were as follows:

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
Held for trading derivatives		
Net fair value loss on held for trading derivatives	15.2	9.3

Held for trading derivatives are used primarily to hedge foreign exchange balance sheet exposures. Held for trading derivative gains have corresponding gains which arise on the revaluation of the foreign exchange balance sheet exposures being hedged. The Group chose not to apply hedge accounting to the held for trading derivatives.

In 2015, the Group entered into an interest rate swap for R500 million which expires in December 2019. The floating rate of the swap was referenced to three-month JIBAR and the fixed interest rate on the R500 million facility is 9.49%. The cash flow hedge was assessed to be effective.

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	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
15. Stated capital		
Authorised share capital		
217 500 000 shares of no par value	-	-
Issued share capital		
Issue of shares of no par value	2 621.4	2 532.7
Capitalisation issue	47.8	88.7
	2 669.2	2 621.4

The following table illustrates the movement within the number of shares issued:

	Number of shares	Number of shares
Shares in issue at beginning of year	171 461 623	168 485 360
Issued in terms of the scrip distribution made during the financial year	1 842 894	2 976 263
Shares in issue at end of year	173 304 517	171 461 623

The directors have been given the authority by the shareholders to buy back Mpact's own shares up to a limit of 20% of the current issued share capital, although the directors will limit any purchase to a maximum of 5% of the issued share capital.

Included in other reserves are amounts paid by Mpact Limited to Mpact Limited Incentive Scheme Trust for the acquisition of Mpact shares to be utilised in terms of the Share Plans. Refer to note 24. As at 31 December 2018, The Trust held 2 403 309 shares (2017: 1 914 874).

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
16. Interest and non-interest-bearing borrowings		
Secured		
Standard Bank and Rand Merchant Bank:		
– Facility A ¹	900.0	900.0
– Facility B ²	550.0	550.0
– Facility C ³	550.0	550.0
– Facility D ⁴	300.0	–
Industrial Development Corporation interest bearing loan ⁵	83.0	256.1
KZN Growth Fund ⁶	200.0	200.0
Standard Bank facility	–	52.5
	2 583.0	2 508.6
Obligations under finance leases	5.0	9.2
Instalment loan facilities	3.4	20.1
Industrial Development Corporation non-interest bearing loan ⁵	212.5	–
	2 803.9	2 537.9
Unsecured		
Minority shareholder loans in subsidiary ⁷	15.4	18.6
Industrial Development Corporation shareholder loan ⁷	–	30.0
	2 819.3	2 586.5
Less: Current portion	(1 418.5)	(1 198.9)
Standard Bank and Rand Merchant Bank loans	(1 400.0)	(1 100.0)
Industrial Development Corporation loan	–	(58.1)
Obligations under finance leases	(2.1)	(4.3)
Minority shareholder loans	(15.4)	(18.6)
Standard Bank facility	–	(15.0)
Instalment loan facilities	(1.0)	(2.9)
	1 400.8	1 387.6

¹ Facility A is repayable in full on its fifth anniversary, 31 January 2020, and bears interest at a three-month JIBAR plus 1.65%.

² Facility B is a revolving credit facility and is repayable as agreed when utilised. The facility bears interest at JIBAR plus 1.65%, and expires on 31 January 2020.

³ Facility C1 is a revolving credit facility and is repayable as agreed when utilised. The facility bears interest at JIBAR plus 2.05% and expires on 1 December 2021.

⁴ Facility D1 is a revolving credit facility and is repayable as agreed when utilised. The facility bears interest at JIBAR plus 2.05% and expires on 1 December 2021.

⁵ The Industrial Development Corporation loan was restructured in the current financial year. The loan bears interest at prime plus 1%. The loan is repayable over 36 months beginning from 1 January 2020. The non-interest bearing loan is repayable after the interest bearing loan and preference shares are repaid.

⁶ The KZN Growth Fund loan is payable in full on 2 March 2023 and bears interest at fixed rate of 9.15%.

⁷ The loans were granted as shareholder loans which are non-interest bearing with no fixed date of repayment.

The Group sources its borrowings in South African Rands. The fair values of the Group borrowings approximate the carrying values presented.

The maturity analysis of the Group's borrowings presented, on an undiscounted future cash flow basis is included as part of a review of the Group's liquidity risk within note 32.

Facilities totalling R370 million remain committed and undrawn as at 31 December 2018 (2017: R617 million).

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	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
16. Interest and non-interest-bearing borrowings <i>continued</i>		
Obligations under finance leases		
The maturity of obligations under finance leases is:		
No later than one year	2.5	5.1
Between one and two years	1.2	3.8
Later than two year and not more than five years	2.2	1.5
Future value of finance lease liabilities	5.9	10.4
Future finance charges	(0.9)	(1.2)
Present value of finance lease liabilities	5.0	9.2

Finance leases relate to computer equipment and plant with varying lease terms. The Group's obligations under the finance leases are secured by the lessors' title to the lease assets.

Financing facilities

Group liquidity is provided through debt facilities which are in excess of the Group's short-term needs. The Group has committed facilities amounting to R2 960 million (2017: R2 900 million).

The Group has pledged certain assets as collateral against certain borrowings. The values of these assets as at 31 December 2018 are as follows:

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
Assets held under finance leases		
Property, plant and equipment	4.5	9.5
Assets pledged as collateral for other borrowings		
Property, plant and equipment	2 225.9	2 064.2
Inventories	1 549.4	1 110.3
Financial assets ¹	2 584.1	1 889.2
Investments in associates	108.1	102.0
Total carrying value of assets pledged as collateral	6 472.0	5 175.2

¹ Financial assets include cash equivalents and trade and other receivables of certain subsidiaries.

The Group is entitled to receive all cash flows from these pledged assets. Further, there is no obligation to remit these cash flows to another entity.

17. Retirement benefits

The Group operates post-retirement defined contribution plans for the majority of its employees. The Group also operates a post-retirement medical arrangement. The accounting policy for retirement benefits is included in note 1.

Defined contribution plan

The assets of the defined contribution plans are held separately in independently administered funds. The charge in respect of these plans for the Group totalling R92.5 million (2017: R84.3 million) is calculated on the basis of the contribution payable by the Group in the financial year. There were no material outstanding or prepaid contributions recognised in relation to these plans as at the reporting dates presented.

Post-retirement medical plan

The post-retirement medical plan provides health benefits to retired employees and certain dependants. Eligibility for cover is dependent upon certain criteria. This plan is unfunded and there are no plan assets. The plan has been closed to new participants since 1 January 1999. The valuation is based on two in service members (2017: 12 in service members) and 81 pensioners (2017: 82 pensioners).

The post-retirement medical aid liability is valued each year using the projected unit credit method. The actuarial present value of the promised benefits at the most recent valuation was performed during the 2018 financial year and indicates that the contractual post-retirement medical aid liability is adequately provided for within the financial statements.

Actuarial assumptions

The principal assumptions used to determine the actuarial present value of benefit obligations are detailed below:

	2018 %	2017 %
Post-retirement medical plan		
Average discount rate for plan liabilities	10.0	10.4
Expected average increase of healthcare costs	8.0	8.9

The assumption for the average discount rate for plan liabilities is based on AA corporate bonds, which are of a suitable duration and currency.

Mortality assumptions

The assumed life expectations on retirement at age 65 are:

	Years	Years
Retiring today		
Males	16.18	16.10
Females	20.24	20.20
Retiring in 20 years		
Males	21.65	21.54
Females	25.82	25.73

The mortality assumptions have been based on published mortality tables in the relevant jurisdictions.

Independent qualified actuaries carry out full valuations every three years using the projected credit unit method. The actuaries have updated the valuations to 31 December 2018.

The total gain recognised in other comprehensive income relating to experience movements on scheme liabilities and plan assets and actuarial assumption changes for the year ended 31 December 2018 is R10.7 million (2017: gain of R4.9 million). R8.5 million (2017: R4.6 million) related to changes in financial assumptions and R2.2 million (2017: R0.3 million) related to changes in demographic assumptions.

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	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
17. Retirement benefits <i>continued</i>		
The changes in the present value of defined benefit obligations are as follows:		
Post-retirement medical plans		
At 1 January	48.9	51.6
Interest cost	4.9	5.1
Remeasurement	(10.7)	(4.9)
Benefits paid	(2.9)	(2.9)
At 31 December	40.2	48.9
The amounts recognised in the statement of profit or loss are as follows:		
Analysis of the amount charged to operating profit		
Interest costs on plan liabilities ¹	4.9	5.1
Total charge to statement of profit or loss	4.9	5.1
¹ Included in finance costs (refer to note 4).		
Sensitivity analysis		
Assured healthcare trend rates have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the statement of profit or loss. A 1% change in assumed healthcare cost trend rates would have the following effects on the post-retirement medical plans:		
1% increase		
Effect on the aggregate of the current service cost and interest cost	0.4	0.6
Effect on the defined benefit obligation	4.1	5.4
		Re-measurement gain/(losses)
	Liabilities	On plan liabilities
	Post-retirement medical plans	R'm
	R'm	
2014	57.4	(0.6)
2015	53.0	6.7
2016	51.6	3.6
2017	48.9	4.9
2018	40.2	10.7

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
18. Deferred tax		
Deferred tax asset		
At 1 January	6.9	4.9
Credited to statement of profit or loss	3.6	3.1
Charged to equity	(1.9)	(1.1)
At 31 December	8.6	6.9
Deferred tax liability		
At 1 January	(212.2)	(342.5)
(Charged)/credited to statement of profit or loss	(8.9)	127.9
Charged to statement of other comprehensive income	(4.6)	–
(Charged)/credited to equity	(1.6)	2.4
At 31 December	(227.3)	(212.2)
The amount of deferred taxation provided in the accounts is presented as follows:		
Deferred tax assets		
Tax losses ¹	51.7	45.5
Capital allowances	(36.1)	(36.1)
Provisions and other temporary differences	(7.0)	(2.5)
Total deferred tax assets	8.6	6.9
Deferred tax liabilities		
Tax losses ¹	190.1	168.0
Capital allowances	(512.1)	(475.3)
Fair value adjustments	(4.6)	(4.6)
Provisions and other temporary differences	99.3	99.7
Total deferred tax liabilities	(227.3)	(212.2)
¹ Based on the future taxable income projections, the Group believes that there will be sufficient future taxable profits available to utilise these tax losses.		
The Group has the following assessable losses in respect of which no deferred tax has been recognised due to the unpredictability of future taxable profit streams or gains against which these could be utilised:		
Unutilised tax losses	453.0	381.4
All unrecognised tax losses have no expiry date, where trading is ongoing.		
19. Deferred income		
Government grants	23.5	29.0
Less current portion	(5.5)	(5.5)
Non-current portion	18.0	23.5
The government grants relate to Manufacturing Competitiveness Enhancement Programme (MCEP) grants received for capital expenditure. The income released to the statement of profit or loss of R5.5 million (2017: R5.5 million) has been off-set against operating expenses.		

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	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
20. Short-term borrowings		
Standard Bank and Rand Merchant Bank	1 400.0	1 100.0
Industrial Development Corporation loan	–	58.1
Standard Bank facility	–	15.0
Minority shareholder loans	15.4	18.6
Current portion of finance lease obligations	2.1	4.3
Bank overdrafts	11.2	7.8
Instalment loan facilities	1.0	2.9
Total short-term borrowings	1 429.7	1 206.7
The current portion of borrowings is expected to be repaid from operational cash flow and other existing facilities.		
21. Trade and other payables		
Trade payables	1 369.0	1 434.3
Amounts owed to related parties (refer to note 33)	21.2	17.9
Refund liabilities- rebates	236.8	178.9
Other payables and accruals	586.6	390.6
Total trade and other payables	2 213.6	2 021.7
The fair values of trade and other payables are not materially different to the carrying values presented.		
22. Other current liabilities		
Non-controlling interest put option ¹	–	–
Opening balance	–	14.5
Expiry of option	–	(14.5)
Total other current liabilities	–	–
¹ The non-controlling shareholders of a subsidiary company had a put option which required the Group to purchase the non-controlling interest in the future. The conditions for the put option to be effective were not met in the prior financial year and the option had expired.		
23. Provisions		
Dividend equivalent bonus ²	4.9	3.5
Restoration and environmental ³	1.3	1.1
Total provisions	6.2	4.6

² Relates to Bonus Share Plan awards, where dividends earned over the holding period are paid as a single cash payment on vesting date. In the current financial year, the provision increased by a net R1.4 million and recognised in the statement of profit or loss (2017: decrease of R0.5 million).

³ The restoration and environmental provision represents the best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligation to rehabilitate environmental disturbances caused by production operations. A provision is recognised for the present value of such costs. In the current financial year, the provision increased by R0.2 million charge to the statement of profit or loss (2017: Rnil million).

24. Share-based payments

The Group has a share-based payment arrangement for executives and senior employees of Mpack Limited and its subsidiaries. The Group intends to operate two plans on a continuing basis, namely; Bonus Share Plan ("BSP") and Performance Share Plan ("PSP"). The total fair value charge in respect of all the Mpack share awards granted are as follows:

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
Bonus Share Plan (BSP)	12.3	14.6
Performance Share Plan (PSP)	15.9	12.8
Total share-based payment expense	28.2	27.4

The fair values of the share awards granted under the Mpack share plans are calculated using the Black-Scholes-Merton Model with reference to the facts and assumptions presented below:

	2018	2017	2016	2015
Bonus Share Plan (BSP)				
Date of grant	3 April 2018	3 April 2017	1 April 2016	1 April 2015
Vesting period (months)	36	36	36	36
Expected leavers per annum (%)	–	–	–	5
Share price volatility (%)	36.66	33.71	28.50	22.48
Future risk-free interest rate (%)	7.10	7.92	7.20	7.20
Grant date fair value per instrument (R)	28.59	27.48	48.53	39.06
Performance Share Plan (PSP)				
Date of grant	3 April 2018	3 April 2017	1 April 2016	1 April 2015
Vesting period (months)	36	36	36	36
Expected leavers per annum (%)	–	–	–	5
Share price volatility (%)	36.66	33.71	28.50	22.48
Future risk-free interest rate (%)	7.10	7.92	7.20	7.20
Expected outcome of meeting performance criteria (%)				
– Return on capital employed ("ROCE") component	73.4	100	100	100
– Total shareholder return ("TSR") component determined inside the valuation model and incorporated in the fair value per option				
Grant date fair value per instrument				
– ROCE component (R)	24.14	27.48	48.53	39.06
– TSR component (R)	17.59	18.99	31.13	24.49

A reconciliation of share award movements for the Group is shown below:

	BSP Number of shares	PSP Number of shares
2018		
1 January 2018	1 150 910	1 531 954
Shares conditionally awarded in the year	336 439	879 446
Shares vested in the year	(446 214)	(88 853)
Shares lapsed in the year	–	(190 559)
31 December 2018	1 041 135	2 131 988
2017		
1 January 2017	1 285 959	928 884
Shares conditionally awarded in the year	353 853	958 730
Shares vested in the year	(488 902)	(355 660)
31 December 2017	1 150 910	1 531 954

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25. Acquisition of non-controlling interests

2018

There were no acquisitions in the current financial year.

2017

Acquisition of additional interest in Pyramid Holdings Proprietary Limited

On 1 July 2017, the Group acquired the remaining 49% interest in the voting shares of Pyramid Holdings Proprietary Limited. The cash consideration was R1. The negative carrying value of the non-controlling interest was R1.1 million on the date of acquisition. A deficit of R1.1 million was recognised in retained earnings. The Group elected to recognise the difference of the consideration paid and the carrying value of the non-controlling interest in retained earnings.

Acquisition of additional interest in Mpact Recycling Proprietary Limited

On 1 July 2017, the Group increased its interest in a subsidiary by 1.5%, resulting in the dilution of the non-controlling shareholder.

On 1 November 2017, the Group acquired the remaining 9% interest of Mpact Recycling Proprietary Limited. The cash consideration was R18.1 million. The carrying value of the non-controlling interest was R19.5 million on the date of acquisition. A surplus of R1.4 million was recognised in retained earnings. The Group elected to recognise the difference of the consideration paid and the carrying value of the non-controlling interest in retained earnings.

26. Disposal of equity accounted investees and subsidiaries

2018

(a) Pretoria Box Manufacturers

During the current financial year, the Group disposed of its entire interest in the joint arrangement for proceeds of R15.0 million and a carrying value of R8.8 million. The net asset value comprised of property, plant and equipment of R3.3 million, inventory of R3.4 million, trade and other receivables of R16.0 million, cash and cash equivalents of R5.9 million and trade and other payables of R19.8 million. A profit of R6.2 million has been recognised in the statement of profit or loss. At 31 December 2018, the proceeds had not yet been received and will be settled through a loan account with the purchaser.

(b) Rusmar Packaging (Pty) Limited

During the current financial year, the Group disposed of its entire interest in the joint arrangement for proceeds of R4.0 million and a carrying value of R3.0 million. A profit of R1.0 million has been recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

(c) Shoebill (Pty) Limited

During the current financial year, the Group disposed of its entire interest in the subsidiary for proceeds of R29.4 million and a net asset value of R29.4 million. The net asset value comprised solely of property, plant and equipment. The sale is in line with the Groups' business strategy.

(d) Pyramid Holdings (Pty) Limited

During the current financial year, the Group disposed of its entire interest in the subsidiary for proceeds of Rnil million and a net asset value of R0.5 million. The net asset value comprised of other receivables of R0.1 million, cash and cash equivalents of R0.5 million other payables of R0.1 million. A loss of R0.5 million has been recognised in the statement of profit or loss. The sale is in line with the Groups' business strategy.

There were no disposals in the prior financial year.

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm				
27. Consolidated cash flow analysis						
(a) Reconciliation of profit before taxation to cash generated from operations						
Profit before taxation	429.2	261.1				
Depreciation, amortisation and impairments	595.7	555.5				
Share-based payments	28.2	27.4				
Net finance costs	219.9	202.6				
Share of equity accounted investee profit	(23.3)	(20.0)				
Decrease in provisions	(1.4)	(8.0)				
Increase in inventories	(323.5)	(40.6)				
Increase in receivables	(124.0)	(155.5)				
Increase in payables	212.7	201.7				
Profit on disposal of tangible assets	(0.1)	(3.3)				
Fair value change on transactions not qualifying as hedges	(15.2)	9.3				
Amortisation of government grant	(5.5)	(5.5)				
Profit on sale of joint arrangements and subsidiaries	(6.7)	–				
Impairment of a loan to associate	1.2	–				
Other non-cash items	(4.4)	0.3				
Cash generated from operations	982.8	1 025.0				
(b) Changes in liabilities arising from financing activities						
	1 January R'm	Cash flows R'm	Changes in fair value R'm	Foreign exchange movement R'm	Other ¹ R'm	31 December R'm
2018						
Non-current interest and non-interest-bearing borrowings	1 387.6	11.5	–	1.7	–	1 400.8
Non-current derivative financial instruments	9.5	–	(5.6)	–	–	3.9
Short-term portion of borrowings	1 206.7	219.4	–	0.2	3.4	1 429.7
Current portion derivative financial instruments	17.1	–	(16.4)	–	–	0.7
Total	2 620.9	230.9	(22.0)	1.9	3.4	2 835.1
2017						
Non-current interest and non-interest-bearing borrowings	1 417.0	(16.9)	–	(2.1)	(10.4)	1 387.6
Non-current derivative financial instruments	4.4	–	5.1	–	–	9.5
Short-term portion of borrowings	990.0	213.2	–	(0.2)	3.7	1 206.7
Current portion derivative financial instruments	8.6	–	8.5	–	–	17.1
Total	2 420.0	196.3	13.6	(2.3)	(6.7)	2 620.9
¹ Relates to the reclassification of liabilities from non-current liabilities to current liabilities, acquisition of subsidiaries and non-cash loan movements as well as movements in the overdraft facility.						
	2018 R'm	2017 R'm				
(c) Cash and cash equivalents						
Cash and cash equivalents per statement of financial position	705.9	350.6				
Bank overdrafts included in short-term borrowings (refer to note 20)	(11.2)	(7.8)				
Net cash and cash equivalents per statement of cash flows	694.7	342.8				

The fair value of cash and cash equivalents approximate the values presented.

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	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
28. Capital commitments		
Capital expenditure contracted for at the reporting date in respect of plant and equipment, but not yet incurred is as follows:		
Contracted for	142.3	142.4
Approved, not yet contracted for	596.5	590.9
Total capital commitments	738.8	733.3

The capital commitments will be financed from existing cash resources and unutilised borrowing facilities.

29. Contingent liabilities and contingent assets

- Contingent liabilities for the Group comprise aggregate amounts at 31 December 2018 of R10.6 million (2017: R10.0 million) in respect of loans and guarantees given to banks and other third parties.
- A Group mill is the subject of a land claim, which should not have a material impact on the financial position of the Group.
- There were no significant contingent assets for the Group at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017.
- As advised to the shareholders on 26 May 2016, the Company is subject to a Competition Commission investigation. The directors are unable to determine the outcome of the investigation.

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
30. Operating lease commitments		
At 31 December, the outstanding commitments under non-cancellable leases were:		
Expiry date:		
Within one year	135.8	126.2
One to two years	114.9	124.5
Two to five years	233.4	213.1
After five years	48.2	59.3
Total operating lease commitments	532.3	523.1

31. Capital management

The Group defines its total capital employed as equity, as presented in the statement of financial position, plus net debt, less investment in subsidiaries and financial asset investments.

Total borrowings (excluding overdrafts)	2 819.3	2 586.5
Less: Cash and cash equivalents, net of overdrafts	(694.7)	(342.8)
Net debt	2 124.6	2 243.7
Less: Loans and receivables	(73.5)	(29.5)
Less: Pension fund asset	(21.3)	–
Less: Financial assets	–	(20.5)
Adjusted net debt	2 029.8	2 193.7
Equity	4 528.9	4 242.9
Total capital employed	6 558.7	6 436.6

Total capital employed is managed on a basis that enables the Group to continue trading as a going concern, while delivering acceptable returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders. Additionally, the Group is committed to reducing its cost of capital by maintaining an optimal capital structure. In order to maintain an optimal capital structure, the Group may adjust the future level of dividends paid to shareholders, repurchase shares from shareholders, issue new equity instruments or dispose of assets to reduce its net debt exposure.

The Group reviews its total capital employed on a regular basis and makes use of several indicative ratios which are appropriate to the nature of the Group's operations and are consistent with conventional industry measures. The principal ratios used in this review process are:

- gearing, defined as net debt divided by total capital employed; and
- return on capital employed, defined as underlying operating profit, plus share of associates profit, before special items, divided by average capital employed.

32. Financial risk management

The Group's trading and financing activities expose it to various financial risks that, if left unmanaged, could adversely impact on current or future earnings. Although not necessarily mutually exclusive, these financial risks are categorised separately according to their different generic risk characteristics and include market risk (foreign exchange risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Group is actively engaged in the management of all of these financial risks in order to minimise their potential adverse impact on the Group's financial performance.

The principles, practices and procedures governing the Group-wide financial risk management process have been approved by the Board and are overseen by the executive committee. In turn, the executive committee delegates authority to a central treasury function (Group treasury) for the practical implementation of the financial risk management process across the Group and for ensuring that the Group's entities adhere to specified financial risk management policies. Group treasury continually reassesses and reports on the financial risk environment, identifying, evaluating and hedging financial risks by entering into derivative contracts with counterparties where appropriate. The Group does not take speculative positions on derivative contracts and only enters into contractual arrangements with counterparties that have investment grade credit ratings.

Market risk

The Group's activities are exposed to primarily foreign exchange and interest rate risk. Both risks are actively monitored on a continuous basis and managed through the use of foreign exchange contracts and interest rate swaps, respectively. Although the Group's cash flows are exposed to movements in key input and output prices, such movements represent economic rather than residual financial risk inherent in commodity payables and receivables.

Foreign exchange risk

The Group operates across various national boundaries and is exposed to foreign exchange risk in the normal course of their business. Multiple currency exposures arise from forecast commercial transactions denominated in foreign currencies, recognised financial assets and liabilities (monetary items) denominated in foreign currencies and the translational exposure on net investments in foreign operations.

Foreign exchange contracts

The Group's foreign exchange policy requires its subsidiaries to actively manage foreign currency exposures against their functional currencies by entering into foreign exchange contracts. For segmental reporting purposes, each subsidiary enters into, and accounts for, foreign exchange contracts with Group treasury or with counterparties that are external to the Group, whichever is more commercially appropriate. Only material statement of financial position exposure and highly probable forecast capital expenditure transactions are being hedged. Currencies bought or sold forward to mitigate possible unfavourable movements on recognised monetary items are marked to market at each reporting date. Foreign currency monetary items are translated at each reporting date to incorporate the underlying foreign exchange movements, and any such movements are naturally off-set against fair value movements on related foreign exchange contracts.

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32. Financial risk management *continued*

Foreign currency sensitivity analysis

Foreign exchange risk sensitivity analysis has been performed on the foreign currency exposures inherent in the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities at the reporting dates presented, net of related forward positions. The sensitivity analysis provides an indication of the impact on the Group's reported earnings of reasonably possible changes in the currency exposures embedded within the functional currency environments that the Group operates in. In addition, an indication is provided of how reasonably possible changes in foreign exchange rates might impact on the Group's equity, as a result of fair value adjustments to foreign exchange contracts designated as cash flow hedges. Reasonably possible changes are based on an analysis of historic currency volatility, together with any relevant assumptions regarding near-term future volatility.

Resultant impacts of reasonably possible changes to foreign exchange rates

The Group has assumed that for its functional to foreign currency net monetary exposure, it is reasonable to assume a 5% appreciation/depreciation of the functional currency.

Interest rate risk

The Group holds cash and cash equivalents, which earns interest at a variable rate and has variable rate debt in issue. Consequently, the Group is exposed to interest rate risk. Although the Group also has fixed rate debt in issue, the Group's accounting policy stipulates that all borrowings are held at amortised cost. As a result, the carrying value of fixed rate debt is not sensitive to changes in credit conditions in the relevant debt markets and there is therefore no exposure to fair value interest rate risk.

Management of cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits, together with short-term highly liquid investments which have a maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

Management of variable rate debt

The Group has multiple variable rate debt facilities. Group treasury uses interest rate swaps to hedge certain exposures to movements in the relevant inter-bank lending rates, primarily the Johannesburg Interbank Agreed Rate (JIBAR).

Interest rate swaps are ordinarily formally designated as cash flow hedges and are fair valued at each reporting date. The fair value of interest rate swaps are determined at each reporting date by reference to the discounted contractual future cash flows, using the relevant currency-specific yield curves, and the credit risk inherent in the contract.

The Group's cash and cash equivalents also acts as a natural hedge against possible unfavourable movements in the relevant inter-bank lending rates on its variable rate debt, subject to any interest rate differentials that exist between corporate saving and lending rates.

Net variable rate debt sensitivity analysis

The net variable rate exposure represents variable rate debt less the future cash outflows swapped from variable-to-fixed via interest rate swap instruments and cash and cash equivalents. Reasonably possible changes in interest rates have been applied to net variable rate exposure, in order to provide an indication of the possible impact on the Group's statement of profit or loss.

	2018	2017
	R'm	R'm
Interest rate risk sensitivities on variable rate debt and interest rate swaps		
Total debt (including overdrafts)	2 830.5	2 594.3
Less:		
Fixed rate debt	(201.1)	(202.3)
Non-interest-bearing debt	(227.9)	(48.6)
Cash and cash equivalents	(705.9)	(350.6)
Net variable rate debt	1 695.6	1 992.8
Interest rate swaps:		
Floating-to-fixed notionals	(500.0)	(500.0)
Net variable rate exposure	1 195.6	1 492.8
+/- basis points change		
Potential impact on earnings (+50 basis points)	(4.2)	(5.0)
Potential impact on earnings (-50 basis points)	4.2	5.0

Credit risk

The Group's credit risk is mainly confined to the risk of customers defaulting on sales invoices raised. Several Group entities have also issued certain financial guarantee contracts to external counterparties in order to achieve competitive funding rates for specific debt agreements entered into by other Group entities. None of these financial guarantees contractually obligate the Group to pay more than the recognised financial liabilities in the entities concerned. As a result, these financial guarantee contracts have no bearing on the credit risk profile of the Group as a whole. Full disclosure of the Group's maximum exposure to credit risk is presented in the following table:

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
Exposure to credit risk		
Cash and cash equivalents	705.9	350.6
Derivative financial instruments	0.9	2.1
Trade and other receivables (excluding prepayments and accrued income)	2 336.1	2 237.8
Financial assets	94.8	50.0
Total credit risk exposure	3 137.7	2 640.5

Credit risk associated with trade receivables

The Group has a large number of unrelated customers and does not have any significant credit risk exposure to any particular customer. The Group believes there is no significant geographical concentration of credit risk.

Each business unit manages its own exposure to credit risk according to the economic circumstances and characteristics of the relevant markets that they serve. The Group believes that management of credit risk on a devolved basis enables it to assess and manage credit risk more effectively. However, broad principles of credit risk management practice are observed across all business units, such as the use of credit rating agencies, credit guarantee insurance, where appropriate, and the maintenance of a credit control function. Of the total trade receivables balance of R2.2 billion (2017: R2.1 billion), credit insurance covering of R28.4 million (2017: R9.8 million) of the total balance has been taken out the by Group's trading entities to insure against the related credit default risk. The insured cover is presented gross of contractually agreed excess amounts.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group could experience difficulties in meeting its commitments to creditors as financial liabilities fall due for payment. The Group manages its liquidity risk by using reasonable and retrospectively-assessed assumptions to forecast the future cash generative capabilities and working capital requirements of the businesses it operates and by maintaining sufficient reserves, committed borrowing facilities and other credit lines as appropriate.

The following table shows the amounts available to draw down on its committed and uncommitted loan facilities:

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
Expiry date		
In one year or less	402.4	636.2
Total credit available	402.4	636.2

Forecast liquidity represents the Group's expected cash inflows, principally generated from sales made to customers, less the Group's contractually-determined cash outflows, principally related to supplier payments and the repayment of borrowings, including finance lease obligations, plus the payment of any interest accruing thereon. The matching of these cash inflows and outflows rests on the expected ageing profiles of the underlying assets and liabilities. Short-term financial assets and financial liabilities are represented primarily by the Group's trade receivables and trade payables respectively. The matching of the cash flows that result from trade receivables and trade payables takes place typically over a period of three to four months from recognition in the statement of financial position and is managed to ensure the ongoing operating liquidity of the Group. Financing cash outflows may be longer term in nature. The Group does not hold long-term financial assets to match against these commitments, but are significantly invested in long-term non-financial assets which generate the sustainable future cash inflows, net of future capital expenditure requirements, needed to service and repay the Group's borrowings. The Group also assesses its commitments under interest rate swaps, which hedge future cash flows from two to five years from the reporting date presented.

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32. Financial risk management continued

Contractual maturity analysis

Trade receivables, the principal class of non-derivative financial assets held by the Group, are settled gross by customers. The Group's financial investments, which are not held for trading and therefore do not comprise part of the Group and Company's liquidity planning arrangements, make up the remainder of the non-derivative financial assets held.

The following table presents the Group's outstanding contractual maturity profile for its non-derivative financial liabilities. The analysis presented is based on the undiscounted contractual maturities of the Group's financial liabilities, including any interest that will accrue, except where the Group is entitled and intends to repay a financial liability, or part of a financial liability, before its contractual maturity. Non interest-bearing financial liabilities which are due to be settled in less than 12 months from maturity equal their carrying values, since the impact of the time value of money is immaterial over such a short duration.

	Undiscounted cash flow				Total R'm
	<1 year R'm	1-2 years R'm	2-5 years R'm	5+ years R'm	
2018					
Trade and other payables (refer to note 21)	2 213.6	–	–	–	2 213.6
Finance leases	2.5	1.2	2.2	–	5.9
Borrowings ¹	1 525.1	970.2	521.4	–	3 016.7
Total	3 741.2	971.4	523.6	–	5 236.2
2017					
Trade and other payables (refer to note 21)	2 021.7	–	–	–	2 021.7
Finance leases	5.1	3.6	1.7	–	10.4
Borrowings ¹	1 206.1	78.2	1 099.4	299.8	2 683.5
Total	3 232.9	81.8	1 101.1	299.8	4 715.6

It has been assumed that, where applicable, interest and foreign exchange rates prevailing at the reporting date will not vary over the time periods remaining for future cash flows.

¹ The short-term borrowings are revolving in nature and only become payable in the event of a covenant breach.

Maturity profile of outstanding derivative positions

	Undiscounted cash flow			Total R'm
	<1 year R'm	1-2 years R'm	2-5 years R'm	
2018				
Foreign exchange contracts	(0.7)	–	–	(0.7)
Interest rate swaps	(3.4)	–	–	(3.4)
Total	(4.1)	–	–	(4.1)
2017				
Foreign exchange contracts	(10.3)	–	–	(10.3)
Interest rate swaps	(6.1)	(5.9)	–	(12.0)
Total	(16.4)	(5.9)	–	(22.3)

Financial instruments by category

Financial assets	Fair value hierarchy	At amortised cost	At fair value through profit or loss	At fair value through OCI	Total
		R'm	R'm	R'm	
2018					
Trade and other receivables ¹		2 336.1	–	–	2 336.1
Loans receivable	Level 2	94.8	–	–	94.8
Equity investment	Level 3	–	–	–	–
Derivative financial instruments	Level 2	–	0.9	–	0.9
Cash and cash equivalents ¹		705.9	–	–	705.9
Total		3 136.8	0.9	–	3 137.7
	Fair value hierarchy	Loans and receivables R'm	At fair value through profit or loss R'm	Available-for-sale R'm	Total R'm
2017					
Trade and other receivables ¹		2 266.2	–	–	2 266.2
Loans receivable	Level 2	29.5	–	–	29.5
Equity investment	Level 3	–	–	20.5	20.5
Derivative financial instruments	Level 2	–	2.1	–	2.1
Cash and cash equivalents ¹		350.6	–	–	350.6
Total		2 646.3	2.1	20.5	2 668.9
Financial liabilities	Fair value hierarchy	At fair value through profit or loss	At amortised cost	Total	
		R'm	R'm		
2018					
Borrowings	Level 2	–	(2 830.5)	(2 830.5)	
Trade and other payables ¹		–	(2 213.6)	(2 213.6)	
Derivative financial instrument	Level 2	(4.6)	–	(4.6)	
Total		(4.6)	(5 044.1)	(5 048.7)	
2017					
Borrowings	Level 2	–	(2 594.3)	(2 594.3)	
Trade and other payables ¹		–	(2 021.7)	(2 021.7)	
Derivative financial instrument	Level 2	(26.6)	–	(26.6)	
Total		(26.6)	(4 616.0)	(4 642.6)	

¹ The carrying value reasonably approximates the fair value.

Fair value estimation

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market (for example, over-the-counter derivatives) are determined using standard valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise the use of observable market data where available and rely as little as possible on Group specific estimates.

The significant inputs required to fair value all of the Group's financial instruments are observable.

Specific valuation methodologies used to value financial instruments include:

- the fair values of interest rate swaps and foreign exchange contracts are calculated as the present value of expected future cash flows based on observable yield curves and exchange rates; and
- other techniques, including discounted cash flow analysis, are used to determine the fair values of other financial instruments.

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33. Related party transactions

The Group has a related party relationship with its subsidiaries, its associates, joint ventures and directors.

The Group, in the ordinary course of business, enters into various sales, purchase and services transactions with joint ventures and associates and others in which the Group has a material interest. These transactions are under terms that are no less favourable than those arranged with third parties.

Details of transactions and balances between the Group and related parties are disclosed below:

	2018 R'm	2017 R'm
Sales to joint arrangements	–	122.5
Sales to associates	613.4	702.4
Purchases from associates	–	0.4
Loans to associates	33.5	6.8
Receivables due from joint arrangements (see note 12)	–	40.9
Receivables due from associates (see note 12)	161.2	173.0
Payables due to joint arrangements (see note 21)	–	1.6
Payables due to associates (see note 21)	21.2	16.3

Details of the executive directors and prescribed officers' remuneration is included in note 35.

34. Interest in subsidiaries, associates and joint arrangements

The Group has several subsidiary companies that are consolidated into the Group results. There are limited risks associated with these interests, as the subsidiaries operate within the same strategic objectives as the Group. There are no significant judgements applied in determining whether the Group controls the Companies it has invested in. The Group does not own any interests in special purpose or structured entities and fully consolidates all investments where the equity interest is greater than 50%.

	Country of incorporation	Share capital 2018	Share capital 2017	Shareholding 2018 %	Shareholding 2017 %
Subsidiary Direct Holding					
Mpact Operations (Pty) Limited ¹	RSA	R20,000	R20,000	90	90
Shoebill (Pty) Limited	Botswana	–	P100	–	100
Pyramid Holdings (Pty) Limited	Botswana	–	P30,592,785	–	100
Sunko Mauritius	Mauritius	R100	R100	100	100
Embalagens Mpact Limitada	Mozambique	M1,213,000	M1,213,000	90	90
Mpact Corrugated (Pty) Limited	Namibia	N\$100	N\$100	74	74
Subsidiaries-Indirect holding					
Mpact Versapak (Pty) Limited	RSA	R100	R100	100	100
Mpact Recycling (Pty) Limited	RSA	R231,741,655	R231,741,655	100	100
Mpact Plastics Containers (Pty) Limited	RSA	R100	R100	66	66
Mpact Polymers (Pty) Limited	RSA	R100	R100	69	79
Magic Attitude (Pty) Limited	RSA	R100	R100	100	100
Detpak South Africa (Pty) Limited	RSA	R7,143	R7,143	51	51
Rebel Packaging (Pty) Limited	RSA	R4,000	R4,000	100	100
Remade Recycling (Pty) Limited	RSA	R1,000	R1,000	100	100
Lenco Corporate Finance (Pty) Limited ²	RSA	R35,651	R35,651	100	100
Lion Packaging Trading 57 (Pty) Limited ³	RSA	R100	R100	100	100
Versapak Holdings (Pvt) Limited ³	Zimbabwe	US\$1	US\$1	100	100

	Country of incorporation	Share capital 2018	Share capital 2017	Shareholding 2018 %	Shareholding 2017 %
Associates-Indirect holding					
Recyquip Engineering & Manufacturing (Pty) Limited	RSA	R100	R100	30	30
West Coast Paper Traders (Pty) Limited	RSA	R400	R400	49	49
Box Boyz (Pty) Limited	RSA	R100	R100	44	44
Lomina Vyf (Pty) Limited	RSA	R100	R100	49	49
Right Corrugated Containers (Pty) Limited	RSA	R1,000	R1,000	49	49
Seyfert Corrugated Western Cape (Pty) Limited	RSA	R15,500,201	R15,500,201	49	49
Dalisu Holdings (Pty) Limited	RSA	R100	R100	49	49
Joint arrangement-Indirect holding					
Rusmar Packaging (Pty) Limited	RSA	–	R200	–	50
Pretoria Box Manufacturers	RSA	–	–	–	50

¹ The remaining 10% is held by Mpact Foundation Trust. The trust is controlled by Mpact Limited and consolidated.

² In the process of deregistration.

³ Ceased trading and in the process of being wound up.

The Mpact Group does not have any significant restrictions on its ability to access/use assets, or settle liabilities in any of its subsidiaries. The above associates and joint ventures are not considered material to the Group. Refer to note 9.

The following table summarises the information relating to each of the Group's subsidiaries that has material NCI, before any intra-group eliminations.

	Mpact Plastic Containers R'm	Mpact Polymers R'm	Other individually immaterial subsidiaries R'm	Total R'm
2018	34%	31%		
Non-current assets	255.6	217.9	78.2	
Current assets	217.0	59.4	274.0	
Non-current liabilities	(31.9)	(507.0)	(69.7)	
Current liabilities	(45.0)	(33.8)	(146.2)	
Net assets	395.7	(263.5)	136.3	
Carrying amount of NCI	134.5	(81.7)	58.0	110.8
2017	34%	21%		
Non-current assets	285.5	236.4	83.7	
Current assets	203.8	28.5	237.7	
Non-current liabilities	(65.4)	(448.1)	(67.5)	
Current liabilities	(81.2)	(79.9)	(137.5)	
Net assets	342.7	(263.1)	116.4	
Carrying amount of NCI	116.5	(55.3)	48.3	109.5

The aggregate total comprehensive profit for non-wholly owned subsidiaries is R0.7 million (2017: loss of R26.1 million), of which a R10.8 million profit (2017: R12.5 million) is attributable to non-controlling shareholders.

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35. Directors' remuneration

Executive directors' and prescribed officers' remuneration

Prescribed officers are defined as having general executive control over and management of a significant portion of the Company or regularly participate therein to a material degree, and are not directors of the Company. Prescribed officers include the three highest paid non-directors.

The remuneration of the executive directors and prescribed officers, all of which are paid by Mpack Limited Group, who served during the period under review was as follows:

	Guaranteed package (TGCOE) ¹	Short-term incentive bonus ²	Other ³	Cash-based remuneration	Grant value of bonus share awarded ⁴	Intrinsic value of performance shares vesting ⁵	Total remuneration
2018							
Executive directors							
BW Strong	5,249,088	3,493,793	119,381	8,862,262	1,965,259	421,541	11,249,062
BDV Clark	3,989,965	2,662,105	88,637	6,740,707	1,497,434	192,254	8,430,395
Total	9,239,053	6,155,898	208,018	15,602,969	3,462,693	613,795	19,679,457
Prescribed officers							
RP Von Veh	4,337,185	2,827,845	131,035	7,296,065	1,590,663	208,985	9,095,713
HM Thompson	4,310,449	2,893,173	104,073	7,307,695	1,627,410	173,082	9,108,187
JW Hunt	2,765,384	1,831,790	59,007	4,656,181	1,030,382	110,833	5,797,396
N Naidoo	3,382,815	2,221,833	74,055	5,678,703	1,249,781	135,576	7,064,060
J Stumpf	3,960,032	2,753,014	60,395	6,773,441	1,548,571	159,012	8,481,024
Total	18,755,865	12,527,655	428,565	31,712,085	7,046,807	787,488	39,546,380
2017							
Executive directors							
BW Strong	5,023,050	1,092,212	164,282	6,279,544	682,633	738,559	7,700,736
BDV Clark	3,818,148	846,713	124,836	4,789,697	529,195	333,987	5,652,879
Total	8,841,198	1,938,925	289,118	11,069,241	1,211,828	1,072,546	13,353,615
Prescribed officers							
RP Von Veh	4,150,416	836,724	123,004	5,110,144	522,952	366,146	5,999,242
HM Thompson	4,124,832	890,964	129,349	5,145,145	556,852	303,243	6,005,240
JW Hunt	2,646,300	510,630	83,967	3,240,897	319,144	191,638	3,751,679
N Naidoo	3,237,144	671,254	17,119	3,925,517	419,534	234,429	4,579,480
J Stumpf	3,789,504	884,015	–	4,673,519	552,510	–	5,226,029
Total	17,948,196	3,793,587	353,439	22,095,222	2,370,992	1,095,456	25,561,670

¹ Guaranteed package (TGCOE) paid for the 12 months of the financial year.

² Short-term incentive (STI) earned on performance for the 2018 financial year, to be paid in March 2019. (2017: STI earned on 2017 performance, paid in March 2018).

³ Other cash incentive includes dividend equivalent bonus based on actual Bonus Share Plan vesting.

⁴ Value of the bonus share granted on 1 April 2019 based on 2018 performance achieved and vesting in March 2022. (2017: Value of the bonus share granted on 2 April 2018 based on 2017 performance achieved and vesting in March 2021).

⁵ Intrinsic value is calculated by taking the number of Performance share plan shares expected to vest in March 2019 based on performance over the three-year period ended 31 December 2018 multiplied by the closing Mpack share price at 31 December 2018 (2017: Performance share plan shares expected to vest in March 2018 based on performance over the three-year period ended 31 December 2017 multiplied by the closing Mpack share price at 31 December 2017).

Share awards granted to executive directors and prescribed officers

The following tables set out the share award grants to the executive directors. Market values of the shares granted are disclosed in the Remuneration Report.

Executive director

	Type of award ^{1,2}	Date of award	Release date	Number of awards at grant date	Number of awards granted during the year	Number of awards vested during the year	Number of shares lapsed or expected to lapse at vesting date	Number of awards held as at 31 December 2018
BW Strong								
	BSP	Apr 15	Mar 18	41,098	–	(41,098)	–	–
	PSP	Apr 15	Mar 18	95,185	–	(30,269)	(64,916)	–
	BSP	Apr 16	Mar 19	35,949	–	–	–	35,949
	PSP	Apr 16	Mar 19	88,387	–	–	(68,323)	20,064
	BSP	Apr 17	Mar 20	31,172	–	–	–	31,172
	PSP	Apr 17	Mar 20	225,585	–	–	(135,351)	90,234
	BSP	Apr 18	Mar 21	–	23,629	–	–	23,629
	PSP	Apr 18	Mar 21	–	242,250	–	(145,350)	96,900
Total number of shares				517,376	265,879	(71,367)	(413,940)	297,948

	Type of award ^{1,2}	Date of award	Award price basis (cents)	Market value at grant date ³	Grant value of awards granted during the year ⁴	Cumulative effects of share price movement gain/(loss) ⁵	Value of awards vested during the year ⁶	Value of shares lapsed or expected to lapse at vesting date	Market value at 31 December 2018 ⁷
	BSP	Apr 15	4,243	1,743,788	–	(577,369)	(1,166,419)	–	–
	PSP	Apr 15	4,243	4,038,700	–	(1,337,216)	(859,077)	(1,842,407)	–
	BSP	Apr 16	4,825	1,734,539	–	(979,251)	–	–	755,288
	PSP	Apr 16	4,825	4,264,673	–	(2,407,662)	–	(1,435,469)	421,542
	BSP	Apr 17	2,969	925,497	–	(270,573)	–	–	654,924
	PSP ⁸	Apr 17	2,969	6,697,619	–	(1,958,078)	–	(2,843,725)	1,895,816
	BSP	Apr 18	2,889	–	682,642	(186,197)	–	–	496,445
	PSP ⁸	Apr 18	2,889	–	6,998,603	(1,908,930)	–	(3,053,804)	2,035,869
Total market value of shares				19,404,816	7,681,245	(9,625,276)	(2,025,496)	(9,175,405)	6,259,884

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35. Directors' remuneration (continued)

Share awards granted to executive directors and prescribed officers (continued)

Type of award ^{1,2}	Date of award	Release of awards at date	Number of awards at grant date	Number of awards granted during the year	Number of awards vested during the year	Number of shares lapsed or expected to lapse at vesting date	Number of awards held as at 31 December 2018
BDV Clark							
BSP	Apr 15	Mar 18	30,674	–	(30,674)	–	–
PSP	Apr 15	Mar 18	43,044	–	(13,688)	(29,356)	–
BSP	Apr 16	Mar 19	27,600	–	–	–	27,600
PSP	Apr 16	Mar 19	40,311	–	–	(31,160)	9,151
BSP	Apr 17	Mar 20	24,186	–	–	–	24,186
PSP	Apr 17	Mar 20	128,605	–	–	(77,163)	51,442
BSP	Apr 18	Mar 21	–	18,318	–	–	18,318
PSP	Apr 18	Mar 21	–	138,109	–	(82,865)	55,244
Total number of shares			294,420	156,427	(44,362)	(220,544)	185,941

Type of award ^{1,2}	Date of award	Award price basis (cents)	Market value at grant date ³	Grant value of awards granted during the year ⁴	Cumulative effects of share price movement gain/(loss) ⁵	Value of awards vested during the year ⁶	Value of shares lapsed or expected to lapse at vesting date	Market value at 31 December 2018 ⁷
BSP	Apr 15	4,243	1,301,498	–	(430,927)	(870,571)	–	–
PSP	Apr 15	4,243	1,826,357	–	(604,708)	(388,485)	(833,164)	–
BSP	Apr 16	4,825	1,331,700	–	(751,824)	–	–	579,876
PSP	Apr 16	4,825	1,945,006	–	(1,098,072)	–	(654,680)	192,254
BSP	Apr 17	2,969	718,082	–	(209,934)	–	–	508,148
PSP ⁸	Apr 17	2,969	3,818,282	–	(1,116,291)	–	(1,621,195)	1,080,796
BSP	Apr 18	2,889	–	529,207	(144,346)	–	–	384,861
PSP ⁸	Apr 18	2,889	–	3,989,969	(1,088,299)	–	(1,741,002)	1,160,668
Total market value of shares			10,940,925	4,519,176	(5,444,401)	(1,259,056)	(4,850,041)	3,906,603

Prescribed officer

	Type of award ^{1,2}	Date of award	Release date	Number of awards at grant date	Number of awards granted during the year	Number of awards vested during the year	Number of shares lapsed or expected to lapse at vesting date	Number of awards held as at 31 December 2018	
RP von Veh									
	BSP	Apr 15	Mar 18	33,592	–	(33,592)	–	–	
	PSP	Apr 15	Mar 18	47,189	–	(15,006)	(32,183)	–	
	BSP	Apr 16	Mar 19	30,499	–	–	–	30,499	
	PSP	Apr 16	Mar 19	43,819	–	–	(33,872)	9,947	
	BSP	Apr 17	Mar 20	26,113	–	–	–	26,113	
	PSP	Apr 17	Mar 20	139,796	–	–	(83,878)	55,918	
	BSP	Apr 18	Mar 21	–	18,102	–	–	18,102	
Total number of shares				321,008	18,102	(48,598)	(149,933)	140,579	
	Type of award ^{1,2}	Date of award	Award price basis (cents)	Market value at grant date ³	Grant value of awards granted during the year ⁴	Cumulative effects of share price movement gain/(loss) ⁵	Value of awards vested during the year ⁶	Value of shares lapsed or expected to lapse at vesting date	Market value at 31 December 2018 ⁷
	BSP	Apr 15	4,243	1,425,309	–	(471,921)	(953,388)	–	–
	PSP	Apr 15	4,243	2,002,229	–	(662,939)	(425,891)	(913,399)	–
	BSP	Apr 16	4,825	1,471,577	–	(830,793)	–	–	640,784
	PSP	Apr 16	4,825	2,114,267	–	(1,193,630)	–	(711,653)	208,984
	BSP	Apr 17	2,969	775,295	–	(226,661)	–	–	548,634
	PSP ⁸	Apr 17	2,969	4,150,543	–	(1,213,429)	–	(1,762,268)	1,174,846
	BSP	Apr 18	2,889	–	522,967	(142,644)	–	–	380,323
Total market value of shares				11,939,220	522,967	(4,742,017)	(1,379,279)	(3,387,320)	2,953,571

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35. Directors' remuneration (continued)

Share awards granted to executive directors and prescribed officers (continued)

Prescribed officer

Type of award ^{1,2}	Date of award	Release date	Number of awards at grant date	Number of awards granted during the year	Number of awards vested during the year	Number of shares lapsed or expected to lapse at vesting date	Number of awards held as at 31 December 2018
HM Thompson							
BSP	Apr 15	Mar 18	33,210	–	(33,210)	–	–
PSP	Apr 15	Mar 18	39,082	–	(12,428)	(26,654)	–
BSP	Apr 16	Mar 19	29,383	–	–	–	29,383
PSP	Apr 16	Mar 19	36,291	–	–	(28,053)	8,238
BSP	Apr 17	Mar 20	25,775	–	–	–	25,775
PSP	Apr 17	Mar 20	138,935	–	–	(83,361)	55,574
BSP	Apr 18	Mar 21	–	19,275	–	–	19,275
PSP	Apr 18	Mar 21	–	149,202	–	(89,521)	59,681
Total number of shares			302,676	168,477	(45,638)	(227,589)	197,926

Type of award ^{1,2}	Date of award	Award price basis (cents)	Market value at grant date ³	Grant value of awards granted during the year ⁴	Cumulative effects of share price movement gain/(loss) ⁵	Value of awards vested during the year ⁶	Value of shares lapsed or expected to lapse at vesting date	Market value at 31 December 2018 ⁷
BSP	Apr 15	4,243	1,409,100	–	(466,554)	(942,546)	–	–
PSP	Apr 15	4,243	1,658,249	–	(549,047)	(352,724)	(756,478)	–
BSP	Apr 16	4,825	1,417,730	–	(800,393)	–	–	617,337
PSP	Apr 16	4,825	1,751,041	–	(988,567)	–	(589,392)	173,082
BSP	Apr 17	2,969	765,260	–	(223,727)	–	–	541,533
PSP ⁸	Apr 17	2,969	4,124,980	–	(1,205,956)	–	(1,751,415)	1,167,609
BSP	Apr 18	2,889	–	556,855	(151,887)	–	–	404,968
PSP ⁸	Apr 18	2,889	–	4,310,446	(1,175,712)	–	(1,880,840)	1,253,894
Total market value of shares			11,126,360	4,867,301	(5,561,843)	(1,295,270)	(4,978,125)	4,158,423

Prescribed Officer

	Type of award ^{1,2}	Date of award	Release date	Number of awards at grant date	Number of awards granted during the year	Number of awards vested during the year	Number of shares lapsed or expected to lapse at vesting date	Number of awards held as at 31 December 2018
JW Hunt								
	BSP	Apr 15	Mar 18	19,483	–	(19,483)	–	–
	PSP	Apr 15	Mar 18	24,696	–	(7,854)	(16,842)	–
	BSP	Apr 16	Mar 19	18,678	–	–	–	18,678
	PSP	Apr 16	Mar 19	23,239	–	–	(17,964)	5,275
	BSP	Apr 17	Mar 20	15,410	–	–	–	15,410
	PSP	Apr 17	Mar 20	89,134	–	–	(53,480)	35,654
	BSP	Apr 18	Mar 21	–	11,047	–	–	11,047
	PSP	Apr 18	Mar 21	–	95,271	–	(57,163)	38,108
Total number of shares				190,640	106,318	(27,337)	(145,449)	124,172

	Type of award ^{1,2}	Date of award	Award price basis (cents)	Market value at grant date ³	Grant value of awards granted during the year ⁴	Cumulative effects of share price movement gain/(loss) ⁵	Value of awards vested during the year ⁶	Value of shares lapsed or expected to lapse at vesting date	Market value at 31 December 2018 ⁷
	BSP	Apr 15	4,243	826,664	–	(273,709)	(552,955)	–	–
	PSP	Apr 15	4,243	1,047,851	–	(346,944)	(222,908)	(477,999)	–
	BSP	Apr 16	4,825	901,214	–	(508,789)	–	–	392,425
	PSP	Apr 16	4,825	1,121,282	–	(633,030)	–	(377,418)	110,834
	BSP	Apr 17	2,969	457,523	–	(133,759)	–	–	323,764
	PSP ⁸	Apr 17	2,969	2,646,388	–	(773,683)	–	(1,123,623)	749,082
	BSP	Apr 18	2,889	–	319,148	(87,050)	–	–	232,098
	PSP ⁸	Apr 18	2,889	–	2,752,379	(750,735)	–	(1,200,986)	800,658
Total market value of shares				7,000,922	3,071,527	(3,507,699)	(775,863)	(3,180,026)	2,608,861

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35. Directors' remuneration (continued)

Share awards granted to executive directors and prescribed officers (continued)

Prescribed officer

	Type of award ^{1,2}	Date of award	Release date	Number of awards at grant date	Number of awards granted during the year	Number of awards vested during the year	Number of shares lapsed or expected to lapse at vesting date	Number of awards held as at 31 December 2018
N Naidoo								
	BSP	Apr 15	Mar 18	25,576	–	(25,576)	–	–
	PSP	Apr 15	Mar 18	30,213	–	(9,608)	(20,605)	–
	BSP	Apr 16	Mar 19	23,273	–	–	–	23,273
	PSP	Apr 16	Mar 19	28,427	–	–	(21,974)	6,453
	BSP	Apr 17	Mar 20	19,867	–	–	–	19,867
	PSP	Apr 17	Mar 20	109,035	–	–	(65,421)	43,614
	BSP	Apr 18	Mar 21	–	14,522	–	–	14,522
	PSP	Apr 18	Mar 21	–	117,093	–	(70,256)	46,837
Total number of shares				236,391	131,615	(35,184)	(178,256)	154,566

	Type of award ^{1,2}	Date of award	Award price basis (cents)	Market value at grant date ³	Grant value of awards granted during the year ⁴	Cumulative effects of share price movement gain/(loss) ⁵	Value of awards vested during the year ⁶	Value of shares lapsed or expected to lapse at vesting date	Market value at 31 December 2018 ⁷
	BSP	Apr 15	4,243	1,085,190	–	(359,307)	(725,883)	–	–
	PSP	Apr 15	4,243	1,281,938	–	(424,450)	(272,688)	(584,800)	–
	BSP	Apr 16	4,825	1,122,922	–	(633,957)	–	–	488,965
	PSP	Apr 16	4,825	1,371,603	–	(774,351)	–	(461,675)	135,577
	BSP	Apr 17	2,969	589,851	–	(172,446)	–	–	417,405
	PSP ⁸	Apr 17	2,969	3,237,249	–	(946,424)	–	(1,374,495)	916,330
	BSP	Apr 18	2,889	–	419,541	(114,433)	–	–	305,108
	PSP ⁸	Apr 18	2,889	–	3,382,817	(922,693)	–	(1,476,074)	984,050
Total market value of shares				8,688,753	3,802,358	(4,348,061)	(998,571)	(3,897,044)	3,247,435

Prescribed officer

	Type of award ^{1,2}	Date of award	Release date	Number of awards at grant date	Number of awards granted during the year	Number of awards vested during the year	Number of shares lapsed or expected to lapse at vesting date	Number of awards held as at 31 December 2018
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	BSP	Apr 15	Mar 18	21,117	–	(21,117)	–	–
	BSP	Apr 16	Mar 19	6,577	–	–	–	6,577
	PSP	Apr 16	Mar 19	33,341	–	–	(25,773)	7,568
	BSP	Apr 17	Mar 20	24,113	–	–	–	24,113
	PSP	Apr 17	Mar 20	127,640	–	–	(76,584)	51,056
	BSP	Apr 18	Mar 21	–	19,125	–	–	19,125
	PSP	Apr 18	Mar 21	–	137,073	–	(82,244)	54,829
Total number of shares				212,788	156,198	(21,117)	(184,601)	163,268

Type of award ^{1,2}	Date of award	Award price basis (cents)	Market value at grant date ³	Grant value of awards granted during the year ⁴	Cumulative effects of share price movement gain/(loss) ⁵	Value of awards vested during the year ⁶	Value of shares lapsed or expected to lapse at vesting date	Market value at 31 December 2018 ⁷
BSP	Apr 15	4,243	895,994	–	(296,664)	(599,330)	–	–
BSP	Apr 16	4,825	317,340	–	(179,157)	–	–	138,183
PSP	Apr 16	4,825	1,608,703	–	(908,209)	–	(541,482)	159,012
BSP	Apr 17	2,969	715,915	–	(209,301)	–	–	506,614
PSP ⁸	Apr 17	2,969	3,789,632	–	(1,107,915)	–	(1,609,030)	1,072,687
BSP	Apr 18	2,889	–	552,521	(150,705)	–	–	401,816
PSP ⁸	Apr 18	2,889	–	3,960,039	(1,080,135)	–	(1,727,942)	1,151,962
Total market value of shares			7,327,584	4,512,560	(3,932,086)	(599,330)	(3,878,454)	3,430,274

¹ Bonus share plan (BSP).

² Performance share plan (PSP).

³ Market value at grant date is the number of shares granted and/or awarded at the grant or award price.

⁴ During the year share grants and awards were made at R28.89 per share.

⁵ Cumulative effects of share price gains and losses represents the market value change between the share value at grant dates, the value of each at vesting, the value of shares lapsing or expected to lapse and the closing market value at year end.

⁶ During the year share awards were vested at a share price of R28.38 per share.

⁷ Market value at 31 December 2018 is the closing share price which was R21.01 per share.

⁸ Assumed a 40% achievement of PSP targets.

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35. Directors' remuneration (continued)

	2018 Fees paid as non- executive director ¹	2018 Fees paid as Trustee to the Mpact Foundation Trust ¹	2017 Fees paid as non- executive director ¹	2017 Fees paid as Trustee to the Mpact Foundation Trust ¹
Non-executive directors' remuneration				
AJ Phillips	1 002 482	–	946 593	–
AM Thompson	450 324	44 430	475 655	63 536
M Makanjee	474 588	–	448 253	–
NP Dongwana	473 064	134 571	475 655	127 071
NB Langa-Royds	652 302	67 286	529 812	63 536
TDA Ross	621 984	–	587 254	–
Total	3 674 744	246 287	3 463 222	254 143

¹ The above amounts exclude VAT.

36. Events occurring after the reporting date

In terms of an agreement, on 1 January 2019, the Group increased its shareholding in West Coast Papers (Pty) Limited from 49% to 60% for R8 million following the fulfilment of all the conditions precedent. The increase in shareholding has resulted in West Coast Papers (Pty) Limited being classified as a subsidiary. The Group is finalising the acquisition date fair value calculations and will provide the relevant disclosure in the 2019 interim results.

The Board declared an ordinary dividend of 55 cents per share on 13 March 2019 payable on 8 April 2019 to shareholders registered on 5 April 2019.

There were no other significant or material subsequent events which would require adjustment to or disclosure in the consolidated financial statements.

