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MAVEN INCOME AND GROWTH VCT 5 PLC

Annual Report for the year ended 30 November 2020

CORPORATE SUMMARY

The Company

Maven Income and Growth VCT 5 PLC (the Company) is a public limited company limited by shares. It was incorporated in England and Wales on 3 October 2000 with company registration number 4084875. Its registered office is at Fifth Floor, 1-2 Royal Exchange Buildings, London EC3V 3LF.

The Company is a venture capital trust (VCT) and its shares are listed on the premium segment of the Official List and traded on the main market of the London Stock Exchange.

Management

The Company is a small registered, internally managed alternative investment fund under the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive (AIFMD).

Investment Objective

The Company aims to achieve long-term capital appreciation and generate income for Shareholders.

Continuation Date

The Articles of Association (the Articles) require the Directors to put a proposal for the continuation of the Company, in its then form, to Shareholders at the Company's Annual General Meeting to be held in 2026 or, if later, at the Annual General Meeting following the fifth anniversary of the latest allotment of new shares.

Share Dealing

Shares in the Company can be purchased and sold in the market through a stockbroker. For qualifying investors buying shares on the open market:

- dividends are free of income tax;
- no capital gains tax is payable on a disposal of shares;
- there is no minimum holding period;
- the value of shares, and income from them, can fall as well as rise;
- tax regulations and rates of tax may be subject to change;
- VCTs tend to be invested in smaller, unlisted companies with a higher risk profile; and
- the market for VCT shares can be illiquid.

The Stockbroker to the Company is Shore Capital Stockbrokers (020 7647 8132).

Recommendation of Non-mainstream Investment Products

The Company currently conducts its affairs so that the shares issued by it can be recommended by authorised financial advisers to ordinary retail investors in accordance with the rules of the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) in relation to non-mainstream investment products, and intends to continue to do so for the foreseeable future. The Company's shares are excluded from the FCA's restrictions which apply to non-mainstream investment products because they are shares in a VCT and the returns to investors are predominantly based on investments in private companies or publicly quoted securities.

Unsolicited Offers for Shares (Boiler Room Scams)

Shareholders in a number of UK registered companies have received unsolicited calls from organisations, usually based overseas or using false UK addresses or phone lines routed abroad, offering to buy shares at prices much higher than their current market values or to sell non-tradeable, overpriced, high risk or even non-existent securities. Whilst the callers may sound credible and professional, Shareholders should be aware that their intentions are often fraudulent and high-pressure sales techniques may be applied, often involving a request for an indemnity or a payment to be provided in advance.

If you receive such a call, you should exercise caution and, based on advice from the FCA, the following precautions are suggested:

- obtain the name of the individual or organisation calling;
- check the FCA register to confirm if the caller is authorised;
- call back using the details on the FCA register to verify the caller's identity;
- discontinue the call if you are in any doubt about the intentions of the caller, or if calls persist; and
- report any individual or organisation that makes unsolicited calls with an offer to buy or sell shares to the FCA and the City of London Police.

Useful Contact Details:

Action Fraud

Telephone: 0300 123 2040

Website: www.actionfraud.police.uk

FCA

Telephone: 0800 111 6768 (freephone)

E-mail: consumer.queries@fca.org.uk

Website: www.fca.org.uk/scamsmart



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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

As at 30 November 2020

Net asset value (NAV)

£45.14m

Proposed final dividend per Ordinary Share

1.10p

80

NAV per Ordinary Share

36.38p

Dividends paid to date* per Ordinary Share

43.45p

NAV total return^{1*} per Ordinary Share

79.83p

Annual yield^{2*}

5.06%

79.22p

79.83p

78.89p 75.89p 72.5 71.67p (p) 65 57.5 50 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020

The above chart depicts the NAV total return per Ordinary Share as at the end of November in each year. Dividends that have been declared but not yet paid are included in the NAV at the Balance Sheet date. The policy for valuing investments is disclosed in Note 1 to the Financial Statements.

NAV total return performance

Financial History

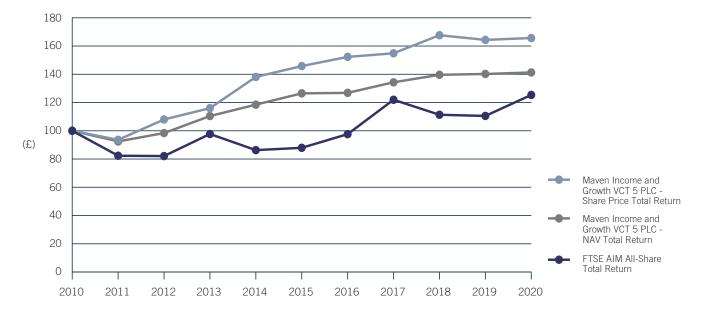
	30 November 2020	30 November 2019	30 November 2018
NAV	£45,136,000	£47,124,000	£28,260,000
NAV per Ordinary Share	36.38p	37.37p	37.54p
Dividends paid (or proposed) per Ordinary Share for year	1.60p	1.60p	3.70p
Dividends paid per Ordinary Share to date*	43.45p	41.85p	41.35p
NAV total return per Ordinary Share ^{1*}	79.83p	79.22p	78.89p
Share price ³	31.60p	32.60p	34.60p
Discount to NAV*	13.14%	12.76%	7.83%
Annual yield ^{2*}	5.06%	4.91%	10.69%
Ordinary Shares in issue	124,055,920	126,086,158	75,275,587

¹ Sum of current NAV per Ordinary Share and dividends paid per Ordinary Share to date (excluding initial tax relief).

² Based on dividends paid or proposed for the year and closing mid-market share price at the year end.

³ Closing mid-market price at the year end (Source: IRESS).

*Definitions of these Alternative Performance Measures (APMs) can be found in the Glossary on page 97 of this Annual Report. The principal Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) can be found in the Business Report on page 18.



Comparative Performance

The graph above compares the total returns on an investment of $\pounds 100$ in the Ordinary Shares of the Company, for each annual accounting period from 30 November 2010 to 30 November 2020 and assuming all dividends are reinvested, with the total shareholder return on a notional investment of $\pounds 100$ made up of shares of the same kind and number as those by reference to which the FTSE AIM All-Share index is calculated. This index was chosen for comparison purposes as it is the most relevant to the Company's investment portfolio, with the commencement date being the closest financial reporting period end to the appointment of the Manager.

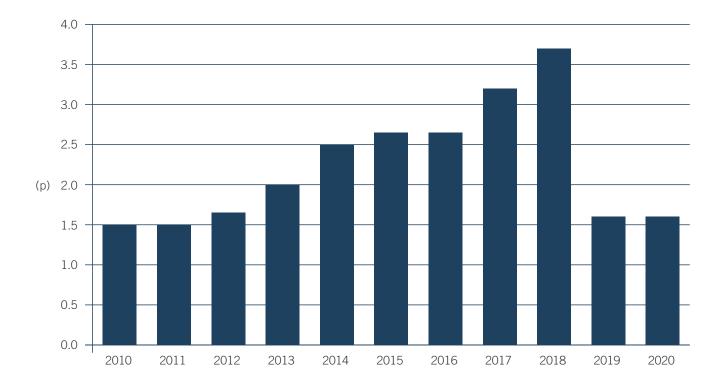
Source: Maven Capital Partners UK LLP (Maven or the Manager)/London Stock Exchange/IRESS.

Please note that past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance.

Dividends

Year ended 30 November	Payment date	Interim/final	Payment (p)	Annual payment (p)
2001 - 2015			31.80	
2016	9 September 2016	Interim	0.95	
	28 April 2017	Final	1.70	2.65
2017	15 September 2017	Interim	2.00	
	30 November 2017	Second interim	1.20	3.20
2018	13 April 2018	Interim	3.70	3.70
2019	30 August 2019	Interim	0.50	
	1 May 2020	Final	1.10	1.60
2020	28 August 2020	Interim	0.50	
Total dividends paid since inception			43.45	
2020	7 May 2021	Proposed final	1.10	1.60
Total dividends paid or proposed since inception			44.55	

Dividends



YOUR BOARD

The Board of three Directors, all of whom are non-executive and considered by the Board to be independent of the Manager, supervises the management of Maven Income and Growth VCT 5 PLC and looks after the interests of its Shareholders. The Board is responsible for setting and monitoring the Company's strategy, and the biographies set out below indicate the Directors' range of investment, commercial and professional experience. Further details are also provided in the Directors' Report and in the Statement of Corporate Governance.

Relevant experience and other directorships: Graham began his career with Murray Johnstone Private Equity in 1987, becoming a director in 1994. He was corporate development director of Avon Rubber PLC from 1998 to 2001 before returning to private equity with 3i plc. Since 2008, he has operated as an independent director and private investor. Graham currently chairs Westfield Medical Limited. He is also a non-executive director and chairman of the audit committee of AIM listed Sutton Harbour Group PLC and is a non-executive director of Fidelius Financial Holdings Limited, a privately owned wealth management group.

Length of service: He was appointed as a Director on 2 July 2019.

Last elected to the Board: 28 April 2020

Committee membership: Audit, Management Engagement (Chairman), Nomination (Chairman), Remuneration and Risk.

Employment by the Manager: None

Shared directorships with other Directors: None

Shareholding in the Company: 68,719 Ordinary Shares

Relevant experience and other directorships: Gordon has over 30 years' experience in financial services, particularly with regard to investment trusts. He was an investment director and the head of investment companies at Standard Life Investments and prior to that was joint head of investment trusts at F&C Asset Management. Gordon has an MA (Hons) in Economics and Accountancy from the University of Edinburgh and he joined Ivory & Sime plc in 1988 after qualifying as a chartered accountant with Deloitte Haskins & Sells (now PwC). He is also a director of Foresight VCT plc and JPMorgan Smaller Companies Investment Trust plc. He was a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland Audit and Assurance Committee for the period 2005 to 2015.

Length of service: He was appointed as a Director on 7 February 2006.

Last re-elected to the Board: 28 April 2020

Committee membership: Audit (Chairman), Management Engagement, Nomination, Remuneration and Risk (Chairman).

Employment by the Manager: None

Shared directorships with other Directors: None

Shareholding in the Company: 90,265 Ordinary Shares



Graham Miller Chairman and Independent Non-executive Director



Gordon Humphries Independent Non-executive Director



Charles Young Independent Non-executive Director

Relevant experience and other directorships: Charles is chief executive of EG Thomson (Holdings) Limited, a private investment company. He is also a non-executive director of Ben Line Agencies Limited and his former directorships include Minoan Group Plc and Exakt Precision Tools Limited. Charles is a Bachelor of Laws and is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland, having trained with Arthur Young McClelland Moores & Co. (now part of EY). He was employed by The British Linen Bank Limited between 1979 and 1997, serving as a main board director from 1991 until 1997, as a director of its corporate finance division from 1986 to 1992 and as managing director of its private equity operations from 1992 to 1997.

Length of service: He was appointed as a Director on 1 June 2013.

Last re-elected to the Board: 28 April 2020

Committee membership: Audit, Management Engagement, Nomination, Remuneration (Chairman) and Risk.

Employment by the Manager: None

Shared directorships with other Directors: None

Shareholding in the Company: 89,443 Ordinary Shares

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

HIGHLIGHTS

NAV total return at the year end of 79.83p per share (2019: 79.22p)

NAV at the year end of 36.38p per share (2019: 37.37p), after total dividend payments of 1.60p per share during the year

Final dividend of 1.10p per share proposed

Offer for Subscription launched with over £12 million raised to date

Deployment of £7.0 million in total, including investments in 17 new private and AIM quoted companies

Three profitable realisations completed during the year and £1.87 million realised in AIM disposals The financial year to 30 November 2020 has been a period of significant challenge and uncertainty, following the emergence of the COVID-19 pandemic and the subsequent imposition of protective measures and restrictions that have had a wide reaching impact on the economy and our society. This public health crisis has touched the lives of many people and our thoughts are with everyone who has been affected.

Notwithstanding the disruption caused by the pandemic, your Board is pleased to announce a slight uplift in NAV total return at the year end to 79.83p per share. Under the circumstances, the Directors consider that this is a creditable performance, which reflects the strength and diversity of the underlying portfolio and the ability of most investee companies to adjust to the current market conditions. Notably, the AIM quoted portfolio performed strongly during the year, with the majority of holdings reporting positive trading updates and share price appreciation. In terms of portfolio construction, your Company maintained a healthy rate of investment during the year with the addition of eleven new private company and six new AIM quoted holdings, whilst follow-on funding was provided to a number of existing investee companies where continuing commercial progress merited further investment. Pleasingly, three profitable private company realisations were completed, including the exit from Symphonic Software, which generated a total return of 2.9 times cost over a holding period of less than two years, and is the first material realisation from the early stage portfolio. The Directors are committed to making distributions whenever possible and have proposed a final dividend of 1.10p per share.

At the start of the financial year, with good levels of liquidity, your Company was well positioned to continue its active investment programme, which is focused on the expansion and diversification of the portfolio to support the long term investment objective of growing the portfolio and improving Shareholder returns. Whilst the outbreak of COVID-19 required a swift change in approach to one of value preservation and supporting the requirements of existing portfolio companies, the Directors are encouraged to report that despite the challenging underlying market conditions, good progress has been achieved in expanding the asset base.

Prior to the announcement of the first nationwide lockdown, the Manager had successfully migrated its regional offices and administration hub to a remote working model, to comply with Government and local guidelines. Your Company has maintained full operational capability throughout this period and the Directors are reassured that the Manager, and all third-party providers, are capable of continuing to service your Company either remotely or from COVIDsecure office environments for as long as is necessary. The Manager responded promptly to the potential economic impact of the pandemic, conducting a comprehensive review of the portfolio to identify those companies that would be most immediately affected. Subsequently, the Board approved a small number of specific provisions to holdings in private companies with exposure to consumer facing sectors. There was also a contraction in listed markets, including AIM, at that time. This review resulted in a 9.0% reduction in NAV per share from 37.37p at 30 November 2019 to 33.99p as at 20 March 2020, which was announced on 26 March 2020. The Directors are pleased to note that there has been a recovery in NAV per share at the year end to 36.38p, which is stated after the payment, during the year, of the 2019 final and 2020 interim dividends, totalling 1.60p per share. This improvement in NAV demonstrates the strength and resilience of the underlying portfolio, which has diversified exposure to a range of defensive sectors such as software, funeral services, healthcare, data analytics and training, where the impact of the pandemic has been less severe. A number of portfolio companies have continued to generate meaningful growth during the year, which has resulted in uplifts to valuations in line with the progress achieved. The recovery in NAV was also supported by good performance by the AIM quoted portfolio, which has recorded a significant increase in value since 20 March 2020. Several of the larger AIM holdings have reported good results, which led to share price appreciation. In addition, a number of the new AIM portfolio holdings, notably those with exposure to the healthcare and life sciences sectors, have experienced share price re-ratings following positive trading updates and favourable market sentiment.

Throughout the initial lockdown period, the Directors maintained close communication with the Manager, receiving monthly updates on the performance of the investee portfolio. The Board has been encouraged by the measures taken by investee management teams, with Maven maintaining an active role and providing direct assistance on a case-by-case basis. Whilst there are a small number of portfolio companies that are operating behind plan, the majority are trading in line with revised budgets and, in all cases, cash is being carefully managed. It is also encouraging to report that several unlisted and AIM quoted assets have harnessed opportunities presented by the market conditions, reflecting the level of innovation and entrepreneurialism across the portfolio. This includes companies that offer a disruptive technology designed to take a product or service online, such as training, restaurant food ordering or prescription dispensing. Several businesses operating in the specialist biotechnology market have been able to make an active contribution towards the urgent need for COVID-19 testing or therapeutics and those that manufacture devices and products for medical markets have experienced a surge in demand.

Shareholders can find full details on portfolio developments and a summary of the investments completed during the year in the Investment Manager's Review on pages 23 to 34 of this Annual Report. Given the market conditions, the Manager maintained a cautious approach to new investment, which resulted in a small number of potential transactions being aborted due to client attrition arising from the pandemic. It is, however, encouraging to report that eleven new private company and six AIM quoted holdings were added to the portfolio including several in the healthcare and life sciences sectors, which are likely to remain attractive investment areas for the foreseeable future and will continue to be a key focus of the Maven investment team, both in the private and AIM markets. Your Company also gained exposure to various new end markets including web archiving, data analytics and cyber security, investing in several new companies with defensive qualities that operate in sectors which are likely to continue to grow when the immediate impact of the pandemic subsides. The provision of performance based follow-on funding remains a key component of the investment strategy, as it is generally recognised that many earlier stage companies are likely to require several rounds of capital before they are fully scaled and Shareholder value can be optimised.

The portfolio of AIM quoted holdings made a strong contribution to the full year performance recording a 25.4% return, which compares favourably to the FTSE AIM All-Share Index which returned 13.9% over the same period. During the year, six new AIM quoted investments were completed with the AIM quoted portfolio representing 22.7% of net assets at the year end. Given the positive performance and the dedicated AIM VCT executives at Maven, your Company will continue to make selective new investments in AIM quoted companies to complement the core private equity asset base.

The uncertainty surrounding the UK's future global trading relationships has continued throughout the year. The UK formally left the EU on 31 January 2020 and entered an eleven-month transition period that ended on 31 December 2020. The EU (Future Relationship) Act 2020, which was agreed with the EU on 24 December 2020, came into effect on 1 January 2021. The potential impact of the UK's withdrawal from the EU has been closely monitored across the portfolio of investee companies and as at the date of this Annual Report, the portfolio has not been materially affected. The majority of the investee companies have limited direct exposure to the EU, and those that do have been implementing contingency plans to mitigate any potential impact. Furthermore, it is not anticipated that there will be any changes to the legislation governing VCTs as a result of the UK's departure from the EU.

The partial realisation of the holding in **Global Risk Partners** completed in June 2020, generating a total return of 2.6 times cost over the life of the investment. Towards the end of the financial year, there was a further positive development when your Company successfully exited its holding in **Symphonic Software** through a sale to a US listed trade acquirer. The exit generated a total return of 2.9 times cost in a holding period of just under two years. The Directors are optimistic that further profitable exits can be achieved from the early stage portfolio as those companies develop and achieve scale, although it may take time for them to mature and for full value to be optimised. The timing of exits is often hard to predict, and this is particularly pertinent for the early stage portfolio where certain assets may attract early interest from a strategic acquirer, whereas others may need to raise further capital in order to develop to their full potential before a formal exit process can be initiated.

Proposed Final Dividend

In respect of the year ended 30 November 2020, your Board is proposing a final dividend of 1.10p per Ordinary Share to be paid on 7 May 2021 to Shareholders on the register at 9 April 2021. This will bring total distributions for the year to 1.60p per Ordinary Share, representing a yield of 5.06% based on the year end closing mid-market share price of 31.60p. Since the Company's launch, and after receipt of the proposed final dividend, Shareholders will have received 44.55p per share in tax free distributions. It should be noted that the effect of paying dividends is to reduce the NAV of the Company by the total cost of the distribution.

As Shareholders will be aware from recent Interim and Annual Reports, decisions on distributions take into consideration the availability of surplus revenue, the realisation of capital gains, the adequacy of distributable reserves and the VCT qualifying level, all of which are kept under close and regular review by the Board and the Manager. The Board and the Manager recognise the importance of tax free distributions to Shareholders and remain committed to paying dividends whenever possible.

Given the higher concentration of early stage companies within the portfolio, as required by the VCT rules, future distributions will be closely linked to realisation activity, whilst also reflecting the Company's requirement to maintain its minimum VCT qualifying level. If larger distributions are required, as a consequence of exits, this could result in a corresponding reduction in NAV per share, however the Board considers this to be a tax efficient means of returning value to Shareholders, whilst ensuring ongoing compliance with the requirements of the VCT legislation.

Dividend Investment Scheme (DIS)

Your Company operates a DIS, through which Shareholders may elect to have their dividend payments utilised to subscribe for new Ordinary Shares issued by the Company under the standing authority requested from Shareholders at Annual General Meetings. Due to the volatility in financial markets caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the DIS was temporarily suspended on 26 March 2020, before being fully reinstated on 24 July 2020 ahead of the payment of the 2020 interim dividend on 28 August 2020.

Shareholders who wish to participate in the DIS in respect of future dividends, including the payment of the proposed final dividend, should ensure that a DIS mandate or CREST instruction, as appropriate, is received by the Registrar (Link Group) in advance of 23 April 2021, this being the next dividend election date. The mandate form, terms & conditions and full details of the scheme (including further details about tax considerations) are available from the Company's website at **www.mavencp.com/migvct5**. Election to participate in the DIS can also be made through the Registrar's share portal at **www.signalshares.com**. Shares issued under the DIS should qualify for VCT tax relief applicable for the tax year in which they are allotted, subject to an individual Shareholder's particular circumstances. If a Shareholder is in any doubt about the merits of participating in the DIS, or their own tax status, they should seek advice from a suitably qualified adviser.

Fund Raising and Allotments

On 23 October 2020, the Directors of your Company, together with the board of Maven Income and Growth VCT PLC, launched joint Offers for Subscription of new Ordinary Shares for up to £20 million in aggregate (£10 million for each company) with a combined over-allotment facility of up to £20 million (£10 million for each company). On 8 February 2021, the Directors resolved to utilise the over-allotment facility to the extent required to meet investor demand. As at the date of this Annual Report, over £12 million has been raised by your Company.

An allotment of 24,921,994 new Ordinary Shares in respect of the 2020/21 tax year was made on 2 March 2021. A further allotment will be made on or around 1 April 2021. The allotment for the 2021/22 tax year will take place after 5 April 2021, and on or before 4 May 2021, once the Offer has closed.

This additional liquidity will enable your Company to continue to expand the portfolio by investing in ambitious, growth focused private and AIM quoted companies that operate across a range of market sectors, and which are capable of generating capital gains. It will also ensure that existing portfolio companies can continue to be supported through followon funding where there is an ongoing business case which merits support. Furthermore, the funds raised will allow your Company to maintain its share buy-back policy, whilst also spreading costs over a wider asset base in line with the objective of maintaining a competitive total expense ratio for the benefit of all Shareholders.

Share Buy-backs

Shareholders will be aware that a primary objective for the Board is to ensure that the Company retains sufficient liquidity for making investments in line with its stated policy, and for the continued payment of dividends. However, the Directors also acknowledge the need to maintain an orderly market in the Company's shares and have, therefore, delegated authority to the Manager to buy back shares in the market for cancellation or to be held in treasury, subject always to such transactions being in the best interests of Shareholders. Despite the market volatility in relation to COVID-19, the Board maintained the view that it was appropriate to continue to operate the buy-back policy as this is an important mechanism for ensuring an orderly market in your Company's shares.

It is intended that, subject to market conditions, available liquidity and the maintenance of the Company's VCT status, Shares will be bought back at prices representing a discount of between 10% and 15% to the prevailing NAV per share.

Regulatory Developments

During the year, there have been no further amendments to the rules governing VCTs. The Chancellor did not issue an Autumn 2020 Budget as the Treasury's focus at the time was on providing stimulus packages to support the economy through the pandemic. The Spring Budget was delivered on 3 March 2021, with no specific changes being proposed to the regulations governing VCTs.

The requirement of the Finance Act 2018, which increased the threshold level of qualifying investments that a VCT must hold from 70% to 80%, was comfortably achieved by your Company ahead of 1 December 2019, being the required date of compliance. The qualifying level continues to be closely monitored by the Manager and reviewed by the Board on a regular basis.

Following the outbreak of COVID-19, a number of regulatory changes were implemented to assist companies through the crisis. The Corporate Insolvency and Governance Act 2020 temporarily suspended parts of insolvency law to support directors, whose companies continued to trade through the emergency, from the threat of personal liability for wrongful trading and to protect companies from creditor action. This suspension has been extended until April 2021. In addition, Company Law and other legislation was amended to provide companies with temporary easements on company filings and the holding of Annual General Meetings.

On 27 March 2020, the International Private Equity and Venture Capital Valuation (IPEV) Guidelines Board issued Coronavirus Special Valuation Guidance to assist managers who are applying the IPEV Valuation Guidelines to portfolios from 31 March 2020. The Guidelines were last updated in 2018 and are the prevailing framework for fair value information in the private equity and venture capital industry. The Directors and the Manager continue to apply the IPEV Guidelines as a central methodology for all private company valuations.

Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG)

The Board recognises the importance of ESG principles and believes that each portfolio company should behave responsibly towards the environment and society. The Directors are pleased to report that the Manager considers environmental, social and governance matters as part of the investment appraisal process and ensures that any relevant ESG issues are identified at an early stage. The Manager is currently undertaking a programme of work to develop a framework that will ensure that ESG issues are carefully managed throughout the period of investment, and there is close engagement with each portfolio company in relation to corporate governance practices and support provided to the management team to develop or improve policies on the environment, community engagement, HR and employee relations, corporate governance and responsible product marketing.

The Directors are aware of the work that the Manager is undertaking to address the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures, which seeks to address the material financial impacts of the global transition to a lower carbon economy. The Directors are satisfied that the Manager is taking the appropriate steps to address these requirements and will continue to monitor progress.

Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The 2021 AGM will be held in the Glasgow office of Maven Capital Partners UK LLP on 27 April 2021 commencing at 11:30am. The Notice of Annual General Meeting can be found on pages 88 to 94 of this Annual Report.

The Directors understand that the AGM is a good opportunity for Shareholders to meet the Board and the Manager but consider the well-being of its Shareholders and other AGM attendees to be their immediate priority. In light of the current Government advice against all non-essential travel and public gatherings, Shareholders will be unable to attend the AGM in person and should instead vote using the Proxy Form, which should be completed and returned in accordance with the instructions thereon. The latest time for the receipt of Proxy Forms is 11.30am on 23 April 2021. Proxy votes can also be submitted by CREST or online using the Registrar's Share Portal Service at **www.signalshares.com**.

The Directors also encourage Shareholders to submit any questions to the Board and the Manager by email or by letter in advance of the AGM. Shareholders wishing to submit a question should write to: **The Company Secretary, Maven Income and Growth VCT 5 PLC, c/o Maven Capital Partners UK LLP, First Floor, Kintyre House, 205 West George Street, Glasgow G2 2LW** or email: **CoSec@mavencp.com**. A summary of responses will be published after the AGM on the Company's website at www.mavencp.com/migvct5.

The Future

Despite the clear challenges presented by the pandemic, the Directors are encouraged by the progress that has been achieved during the financial year. Against a backdrop of prolonged economic uncertainty, the portfolio of investee companies has proven to be resilient, which reflects the breadth and diversity of the underlying asset base and the well-balanced composition of the portfolio as a whole. Whilst protective measures and restrictions remain in place across the UK, the Board are encouraged by the speed with which the vaccination programme is being rolled out and, assuming that the virus continues to be suppressed, anticipate a strong economic recovery in the second half of the year. The funds raised under the current Offer for Subscription will provide further liquidity to support the ongoing active investment strategy to expand and develop the portfolio, with the core objective of generating sustained growth in Shareholder value in the years to come.

Graham Miller Chairman 15 March 2021

SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT CHANGES

For the year ended 30 November 2020

	Valuation 30 November 2019 £'000 %		Net investment/ (disinvestment) £'000	Appreciation/ (depreciation) £'000	Va 30 Novembe £'000	aluation er 2020 %
Legacy Portfolio						
Unlisted investments						
Equities	821	1.7	(5)	5	821	1.8
	821	1.7	(5)	5	821	1.8
AIM/AQSE*	8,606	18.3	(1,226)	1,841	9,221	20.4
Total Legacy Portfolio	9,427	20.0	(1,231)	1,846	10,042	22.2
Maven Portfolio Unlisted investments						
Equities	10,978	23.3	4,916	(350)	15,544	34.4
Loan stocks	4,981	10.6	299	(723)	4,557	10.1
AIM/AQSE*	15,959 1,049	33.9 2.2	5,215 (643)	(1,073) 624	20,101 1,030	44.5 2.3
Investment trusts	2,120	4.5	483	45	2,648	5.9
Total Maven Portfolio	19,128	40.6	5,055	(404)	23,779	52.7
Total Portfolio	28,555	60.6	3,824	1,442	33,821	74.9
Cash	18,648	39.6	(7,105)	-	11,543	25.6
Other assets	(79)	(0.2)	(149)	-	(228)	0.5
Net assets	47,124	100.0	(3,430)	1,442	45,136	100.0
Ordinary Shares in Issue NAV per Ordinary Share Mid-market price Discount to NAV		086,158 37.37p 32.60p 12.76%				055,920 36.38p 31.60p 13.14%

*Shares traded on the Alternative Investment Market (AIM) or the Aquis Stock Exchange (AQSE).

BUSINESS REPORT

This Business Report is intended to provide an overview of the strategy and business model of the Company, as well as the key measures used by the Directors in overseeing its management. The Company is a venture capital trust, which invests in accordance with the investment objective set out below.

Investment Objective

The Company aims to achieve long-term capital appreciation and generate income for Shareholders. Maven Capital Partners UK LLP (Maven or the Manager) was appointed in February 2011 with a view to applying a new investment policy, as set out below.

Business Model and Investment Policy

Under an investment policy approved by the Directors, the Company intends to achieve its objective by:

- investing the majority of its funds in a diversified portfolio of shares and securities in smaller, unquoted UK companies and AIM/AQSE quoted companies which meet the criteria for VCT qualifying investments and have strong growth potential;
- investing no more than £1.25 million in any company in one year and no more than 15% of the Company's assets by cost in one business at any time; and
- borrowing up to 15% of net asset value, if required and only on a selective basis, in pursuit of its investment strategy. The Board has no intention of approving any borrowing at this time.

Principal and Emerging Risks and Uncertainties

The Board and the Risk Committee have an ongoing process for identifying, evaluating and monitoring the principal and emerging risks and uncertainties facing the Company. The risk register and risk dashboard form key parts of the Company's risk management framework used to carry out a robust assessment of the risks, including a significant focus on the controls in place to mitigate them.

The current principal and emerging risks and uncertainties facing the Company are considered to be as follows:

Investment Risk

The majority of the Company's investments are in early stage, small and medium sized unquoted UK companies and AIM/AQSE quoted companies which, by their nature, carry a higher level of risk and lower liquidity than investments in large quoted companies. The Board aims to limit the risk attached to the investment portfolio as a whole by ensuring that a robust and structured selection, monitoring and realisation process is applied. The Board reviews the investment portfolio with the Manager on a regular basis.

The Company manages and minimises investment risk by:

- diversifying across a large number of companies;
- diversifying across a range of economic sectors;
- actively and closely monitoring the progress of investee companies;
- co-investing with other clients of Maven, other VCT managers, and/or other co-investor partners;
- ensuring valuations of underlying investments are made fairly and reasonably (see Notes to the Financial Statements 1(e), 1(f) and 16 for further details);
- taking steps to ensure that the share price discount is managed appropriately; and
- choosing and appointing an FCA authorised investment manager with the appropriate skills, experience and resources
 required to achieve the Investment Objective above, with ongoing monitoring to ensure the Manager is performing in
 line with expectations.

Internal Control Risk

The Board regularly reviews the system of internal controls, both financial and non-financial, operated by the Company, Maven and other key third party outsourcers such as the Custodian and Registrar. These include controls designed to ensure that the Company's assets are safeguarded, that all records are complete and accurate and that the third parties have adequate controls in place to prevent data protection and cyber security failings. Breaches of controls by service providers to the Company could also lead to reputational damage or loss.

VCT Qualifying Status Risk

The Company operates in a complex regulatory environment and faces a number of related risks, including:

- becoming subject to capital gains tax on the sale of its investments as a result of a breach of Section 274 of the Income Tax Act 2007;
- loss of VCT status and the consequential loss of tax reliefs available to Shareholders as a result of a breach of the VCT regulations;
- loss of VCT status and reputational damage as a result of a serious breach of other regulations such as the FCA Listing Rules and the Companies Act 2006; and
- increased investment restrictions resulting from the EU State Aid Rules incorporated by the Finance (No. 2) Act 2015 and the Finance Act 2018.

The Board works closely with the Manager to ensure compliance with all applicable and upcoming legislation such that VCT qualifying status is maintained. Further information on the management of this risk is detailed under other headings in this Business Report.

Legislative and Regulatory Risk

The Directors strive to maintain a good understanding of the changing regulatory agenda and consider emerging issues so that appropriate changes can be implemented and developed in good time.

In order to maintain its approval as a VCT, the Company is required to comply with current VCT legislation in the UK as well as the EU State Aid Rules. Changes to either legislation could have an adverse impact on Shareholder investment returns, whilst maintaining the Company's VCT status. The Board and the Manager continue to make representations where appropriate, either directly or through relevant industry bodies such as the Association of Investment Companies (AIC), the British Venture Capital Association (BVCA) and the Venture Capital Trust Association (VCTA).

The Company has retained Philip Hare & Associates LLP as its principal VCT adviser and also uses the services of a number of other VCT advisers on a transactional basis.

Breaches of other regulations, including but not limited to the Companies Act 2006, the FCA Listing Rules, the FCA Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules, the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), and the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive (the AIFMD), could lead to a number of detrimental outcomes and reputational damage.

The AIFMD, which regulates the management of alternative investment funds, including VCTs, introduced a new authorisation and supervisory regime for all investment companies in the EU. The Company is a small registered, internally managed alternative investment fund under the AIFMD, and its status as such is unchanged as a result of the UK's departure from the EU.

The Company is also required to comply with tax legislation under the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act and the Common Reporting Standard. The Company has appointed Link Group to act on its behalf to report annually to HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) and ensure compliance with this legislation.

Political Risk

Although the EU (Future Relationship) Act 2020 came into effect on 1 January 2021, the full political, economic and legal consequences of the UK leaving the EU are not yet known. It is possible that investments in the UK may be more difficult to value and assess for suitability of risk, harder to buy or sell and may be subject to greater or more frequent rises and falls in value. In the longer term, there is likely to be a period of uncertainty as the UK seeks to negotiate its ongoing relationship with the EU and other global trade partners. The UK's laws and regulations, including those relating to investment companies, may, in the future, diverge from those of the EU. This may lead to changes in the operation of the Company or the rights of investors in the territories in which the shares of the Company may be promoted and sold.

The Board regularly reviews the political situation, together with any associated changes to the economic, regulatory and legislative environment, to ensure that any risks arising are mitigated as effectively as possible.

Climate Change and Social Responsibility Risk

The Board recognises that climate change is an important emerging risk that all companies should take into consideration within their strategic planning.

As referred to elsewhere in this Strategic Report and in the Statement of Corporate Governance in this Annual Report, the Company has little direct impact on environmental issues. However, the Company has introduced measures to reduce cost and the environmental impact of the production and circulation of Shareholder documentation such as the Annual and Interim Reports. This has resulted in a significant reduction in the number of paper copies being printed and posted, with only 15% of Shareholders now receiving printed reports.

The Board is aware that the Manager is increasing efforts in relation to the identification of environmental risks, and opportunities and is developing its ESG Policy accordingly. Environmental risk is a fundamental aspect of due diligence and industry specialists are assigned where there may be specific concerns in relation to a potential business or industry. The results are then factored into the decision making process for new investments. VCTs in general are regarded as supporting small and medium sized enterprises which, in turn, helps create local employment opportunities across a range of geographical areas in the UK.

Other Risks

Governance Risk

The Directors are aware that an ineffective Board could have a negative impact on the Company and its Shareholders. The Board recognises the importance of effective leadership and board composition, and this is ensured by completing an annual evaluation process. If required, additional training is then arranged.

Management Risk

The Directors are aware of the risk that investment opportunities could fail or the management of the VCT could breach the Management and Administration Deed or regulatory parameters, due to lack of knowledge and/or experience of the investment professionals acting on behalf of the Company. To manage this risk, the Board has appointed Maven as investment manager, as it employs skilled professionals with the required VCT knowledge and experience. In addition, the Board takes comfort from the Manager's controls that have been updated to ensure compliance with the Senior Managers and Certification Regime.

The Directors are also mindful of the impact that the loss of the Manager's key employees could have on both investment opportunities that may be lost or existing investments that may fail. The Board takes reassurance from the Manager's approach to incentivising staff and ensuring that adequate notice periods are included in all contracts of employment.

Financial and Liquidity Risk

As most of the investments require a mid to long-term commitment and are relatively illiquid, the Company retains a portion of the portfolio in cash and listed investment trusts in order to finance any new or follow-on investment opportunities. The Company has only limited direct exposure to currency risk and does not enter into any derivative transactions.

Economic Risk

The valuation of investment companies may be affected by underlying economic conditions such as fluctuating interest rates and the availability of bank finance. The economic and market environment is kept under constant review and the investment strategy of the Company is adapted so far as possible to mitigate emerging risks.

Credit Risk

The Company may hold financial instruments and cash deposits and is dependent on counterparties discharging their agreed responsibilities. The Directors consider the creditworthiness of the counterparties to such instruments and seek to ensure that there is no undue concentration of exposure to any one party.

An explanation of certain economic and financial risks and how they are managed is contained in Note 16 to the Financial Statements.

Statement of Compliance with Investment Policy

The Company is adhering to its stated investment policy and managing the risks arising from it. This can be seen in various tables and charts throughout this Annual Report, and in the Chairman's Statement and the Investment Manager's Review. A review of the Company's business, its financial position as at 30 November 2020 and its performance during the year then ended is included in the Chairman's Statement, which also includes an overview of the Company's business model and strategy.

The management of the investment portfolio has been delegated to Maven, which also provides company secretarial, administrative and financial management services to the Company. The Board is satisfied with the depth and breadth of the Manager's resources and its nationwide network of offices which supply new deals and enable it to monitor the geographically widespread portfolio of companies effectively.

The Investment Portfolio Summary on pages 41 to 43 discloses the investments in the portfolio and the degree of co-investment with other clients of the Manager. The tabular analysis of the unlisted and quoted portfolio on pages 21 and 22 shows that the portfolio is diversified across a variety of industry sectors and transaction types. The level of VCT qualifying investment is monitored continually by the Manager and reported to the Risk Committee quarterly or as required.

Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

During the year, the net return on ordinary activities before taxation was £656,000 (2019: £519,000), gains on investments were £1,442,000 (2019: £960,000) and earnings per share were 0.52p (2019: 0.44p). The Directors also consider a number of Alternative Performance Measures (APMs) in order to assess the Company's success in achieving its objectives, and these also enable Shareholders and prospective investors to gain an understanding of its business. The APMs are shown in the Financial History table on page 5. In addition, the Board considers the following to be KPIs:

- NAV total return;
- cumulative dividends paid;
- share price discount to NAV;
- share price total return; and
- operational expenses.

The NAV total return is the principal measure of Shareholder value as it includes both the current NAV per share and the sum of dividends paid to date. Cumulative dividends paid is the total amount of both capital and income distributions paid since the launch of the Company. The Directors seek to pay dividends to provide a yield and comply with the VCT rules, taking account of the level of distributable reserves, profitable realisations in each accounting period and the Company's future cash flow projections. The share price discount to NAV is the percentage by which the mid-market share price of an investment is lower than the NAV per share. Share price total return is the percentage movement in the share price over a period of time including any re-invested dividends paid over that timeframe. A historical record of these measures is shown in the Financial Highlights on pages 4 to 6, and the profile of the portfolio is reflected in the Summary of Investment Changes on page 14. Definitions of the APMs can be found in the Glossary on page 97. The Board also reviews the Company's operational expenses on a quarterly basis as the Directors consider that this element is an important component in the generation of Shareholder returns. Further information can be found in Notes 2 and 4 to the Financial Statements on pages 78 and 79.

The introduction of the Finance (No. 2) Act 2015 altered the type of investments VCTs can make, and also changed the transaction structure to be more heavily weighted to equity investment. The proportion of loan notes has reduced as a result and, accordingly, the Directors have agreed that investment income should no longer be considered a KPI. The Directors have also agreed that the rebalancing of the legacy AIM portfolio should no longer be considered a KPI. In recent years, AIM has matured and has offered increasingly good investment opportunities, and your Board has been pleased with the positive contribution that the AIM portfolio has delivered. Whilst the majority of new investments will continue to be made in unlisted companies, given the positive performance and the expertise of the dedicated AIM executives at Maven, your Company will continue to make selective AIM investments.

There is no VCT index against which to compare the financial performance of the Company. However, for reporting to the Board and Shareholders, the Manager uses comparisons with the most appropriate index, being the FTSE AIM All-Share Index. The Directors also consider non-financial performance measures such as the flow of investment proposals and the Company's ranking within the VCT sector.

In addition, the Directors consider economic, regulatory and political trends and factors that may impact on the Company's future development and performance.

Valuation Process

Investments held by Maven Income and Growth VCT 5 PLC in unquoted companies are valued in accordance with the International Private Equity and Venture Capital Valuation Guidelines. Investments quoted or traded on a recognised stock exchange, including AIM, are valued at their bid prices.

Share Buy-backs

At the forthcoming AGM, the Board will seek the necessary Shareholder authority to continue to conduct share buy-backs under appropriate circumstances.

The Board's Duty and Stakeholder Engagement

The Directors recognise the importance of an effective Board and its ability to discuss, review and make decisions to promote the long-term success of the Company and protect the interests of its key stakeholders. As required by Provision 5 of the AIC Code (and in line with the UK Code), the Board has discussed the Directors' duty under Section 172 of the Companies Act and how the interests of key stakeholders have been considered in the Board discussions and decision making during the year.

This has been summarised in the table below:

Form of engagement	Influence on Board decision making
 Form of engagement Shareholders AGM - under normal circumstances, Shareholders are encouraged to attend the AGM and are provided with the opportunity to ask questions and engage with the Directors and the Manager. Shareholders are also encouraged to exercise their right to vote on the resolutions proposed at the AGM. In respect of the 2021 AGM, please note the guidance in the Chairman's Statement on page 13. Shareholder documents – the Company reports formally to Shareholders by publishing Annual and Interim Reports, normally in March and July each year. In the instance of a corporate action taking place, the Board will communicate with Shareholders through the issue of a Circular and, if required, a Prospectus. In addition, significant matters or reporting obligations are disseminated to Shareholders by way of Stock Exchange Announcements. The Secretary acts as a key point of contact for the Board and 	Influence on Board decision making Dividend declarations – the Board recognises the importance of tax free dividends to Shareholders and takes this into consideration when making decisions to pay interim and propose final dividends for each year. Further details regarding dividends for the year under review can be found in the Chairman's Statement on pages 9 to 13. Share buy-back policy – the Directors recognise the importance to Shareholders of the Company maintaining an active buy-back policy and considered this when establishing the current programme. Further details can be found in the Chairman's Statement on page 12 and in the Directors' Report on page 48. Offer for Subscription – in making a decision to launch an Offer for Subscription, the Directors considered that it would be in the interest of Shareholders to continue to grow the portfolio and make investments across a diverse range of sectors. By growing the Company, costs are spread over a wider asset base, which helps to promote a competitive total expense ratio, which is in the interests of Shareholders. In addition, the increased liquidity helps support the buy-back policy referred to above. Further details regarding the latest Offer for Subscription can be found in the Chairman's Statement on page 12. Liquidity management – in order to generate income and add value for Shareholders, the Board has an active liquidity management policy, which has the objective of generating income from the cash held prior to investment. Further details regarding the liquidity management policy can be found in the Investment Manager's Report on page 26.
communications received from Shareholders are circulated to the whole Board. Environment and society The Directors and the Manager take account of the social environment and ethical factors impacted by the Company and the investments that it makes.	The Directors and the Manager are aware of their duty to act in the interests of the Company and acknowledge that there are risks associated with investment in companies that fail to conduct business in a socially responsible manner. Further details can be found in the Statement of Corporate Governance on page 58.
Portfolio companies Quarterly Board Meetings – the Manager reports to the Board on the portfolio companies and the Directors challenge the Manager if they feel it is appropriate. The Manager then communicates directly with each portfolio company, normally through the Maven representative who sits on the board of the portfolio company.	The Directors are aware that the exercise of voting rights is key to promoting good corporate governance and, through the Manager, ensures that the portfolio companies are encouraged to adopt best practice corporate governance. The Board has delegated the responsibility for monitoring the portfolio companies to the Manager and has given it discretion to vote in respect of the Company's holdings in the investment portfolio, in a way that reflects the concerns and key governance matters discussed by the Board. From time to time, the management teams of investee companies give presentations to the Board. The Manager's ESG assessment of investee companies focuses heavily on their impact on their environment, challenging fundamental aspects such as energy and emissions usage, and targets an approach to waste and recycling as well as broader social themes such as the companies' approach to diversity and inclusion in the workplace and their work with charities.

The Board is also mindful that, as the portfolio expands and the proportion of early stage investment increases, follow-on funding will represent an important part of the Company's investment strategy and this forms a key part of the Directors' discussions on valuations, risk management and fundraising.

Form of engagement	Influence on Board decision making
Manager Quarterly Board Meetings – the Manager attends every Board Meeting and presents a detailed portfolio analysis and reports on key issues such as VCT compliance, investment pipeline and utilisation of any new monies raised.	The Manager is responsible for implementing the investment objective and the strategy agreed by the Board. In making a decision to launch any Offer for Subscription, the Board needs to consider that the Company requires to have sufficient liquidity to continue to expand and broaden the investment portfolio in line with the strategy, including the provision of follow-on funding, as referred to above.
Registrar Annual review meetings and control reports.	The Directors review the performance of all third party service providers on an annual basis, including ensuring compliance with GDPR.
Custodian Regular statements and control reports received, with all holdings and balances reconciled.	The Directors review the performance of all third party providers on an annual basis, including oversight of securing the Company's assets.

Employee, Environmental and Human Rights Policy

The Company has no direct employee or environmental responsibilities, nor is it directly responsible for the emission of greenhouse gases. The Board's principal responsibility to Shareholders is to ensure that the investment portfolio is managed and invested properly. The Company has no employees and, accordingly, has no requirement to report separately on employment matters. The Board comprises three male Directors and delegates responsibility for diversity to the Nomination Committee, as explained in the Statement of Corporate Governance on page 57. The management of the portfolio is undertaken by the Manager through members of its portfolio management team.

The Manager engages with the Company's underlying investee companies in relation to their corporate governance practices and in developing their policies on social, community and environmental matters and further information can be found in the Statement of Corporate Governance on page 58. Additional work is being carried out by the Manager to establish a framework for the effective capture of ESG information, consistently across all investee companies. The Manager will be overseeing the collation of this information for the benefit of the Board but will also be supporting individual companies to identify ESG risks and opportunities and, where potential improvements are identified, will work jointly with investee businesses to make positive changes.

In light of the nature of the Company's business, there are no relevant human rights issues and, therefore, the Company does not have a human rights policy.

Auditor

The Company's Auditor is required to report if there are any material inconsistencies between the content of the Strategic Report and the Financial Statements. The Independent Auditor's Report can be found on pages 64 to 71.

Future Strategy

The Board and Manager intend to maintain the policies set out above for the year ending 30 November 2021, as it is believed that these are in the best interests of Shareholders.

Approval

The Business Report, and the Strategic Report as a whole, was approved by the Board of Directors and signed on its behalf by:

Graham Miller Director

15 March 2021

ANALYSIS OF UNLISTED AND QUOTED PORTFOLIO

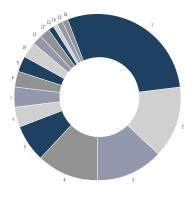
As at 30 November 2020

Industry sector	Unlisted valuation £'000	%	Quoted valuation £'000	%	Total valuation £'000	%
Software & computer services ¹	11,703	34.6	5,897	17.3	17,600	51.9
Support services ¹	3,155	9.3	2,020	6.0	5,175	15.3
Investment companies ²	253	0.8	2,648	7.8	2,901	8.6
Energy services	1,536	4.5	26	0.1	1,562	4.6
Health	1,434	4.2	125	0.4	1,559	4.6
Pharmaceuticals & biotechnology	488	1.5	1,021	3.0	1,509	4.5
Electronic & electrical equipment	799	2.4	69	0.2	868	2.6
Technology	490	1.4	129	0.4	619	1.8
Telecommunication services	476	1.4	-	-	476	1.4
Information technology hardware	-	-	419	1.2	419	1.2
Specialised manufacturing	278	0.8	-	-	278	0.8
Engineering & machinery	-	-	263	0.8	263	0.8
Insurance	241	0.7	-	-	241	0.7
Chemicals	-	-	103	0.3	103	0.3
Aerospace & defence	-	-	92	0.3	92	0.3
Diversified industrials	64	0.2	-	-	64	0.2
Media & entertainment	5	0.1	44	0.1	49	0.2
General retailers	-	-	26	0.1	26	0.1
Automobiles & parts	-	-	17	0.1	17	0.1
Total	20,922	61.9	12,899	38.1	33,821	100.0

¹ The charts below show the breakdown by end-user market.

² Quoted holdings are in investment trusts held as part of liquidity management strategy.

Breakdown of Software & Computer Services

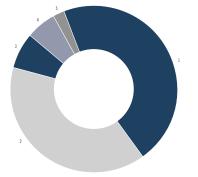


- 1. Integrated risk management software 29%
- 2. Employment services 14%

3. Marketing - 13%

- 4. Financial services 12%
- 5. Automotive 7%
- 6. Hospitality 4%
- 7. Consumer services 4%
- 8. Education 3%
- 9. Advertising 3%
- 10. Communications 3% 11. E-commerce - 2%
- 12. Data analytics 2%
- 13. Cyber security 1%
- 14. Transport 1%
- 15. Healthcare 1%
- 16. Media 1%





Industrial products and services - 46%
 Consumer services - 39%

- 3. Education 7% 4. Leisure - 6%
- 5. Energy services 2%

ANALYSIS OF UNLISTED AND QUOTED PORTFOLIO (CONTINUED)

As at 30 November 2020

Transaction type	Number	Valuation £'000	%
Unlisted			-
Growth capital - post 2015 ¹	42	15,219	45.0
Investments completed pre 2015 ²	21	5,703	16.9
Total unlisted	63	20,922	61.9
Quoted			
AIM/AQSE	40	10,251	30.3
Listed ³	8	2,648	7.8
Total quoted	48	12,899	38.1
Total unlisted and quoted ⁴	111	33,821	100.0

¹ The Finance (No. 2) Act 2015 introduced new qualifying rules governing the types of investments VCTs can make.

² Includes all investments completed prior to the introduction of the Finance (No. 2) Act 2015.

³ Holdings in investment trusts as part of liquidity management strategy.

⁴ Excludes cash balances.

Valuation by Transaction Type - November 2020

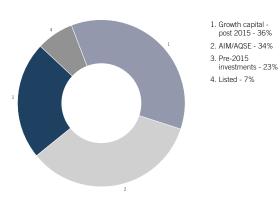


 Growth capital post 2015 - 45%
 AIM/AQSE - 30%

3. Pre-2015 investments - 17%

4. Listed - 8%

Valuation by Transaction Type - November 2019



INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REVIEW

HIGHLIGHTS

17 new private and AIM quoted company holdings added to the portfolio during the year, with a further investment completed after the period end.

A total of £1.87 million realised through AIM disposals

Partial realisation of Global Risk Partners for a total return of 2.6 times cost

Realisation of ITS Technology for a total return of 1.0 times cost

Realisation of Symphonic Software for a total return of 2.9 times cost During the period under review, the rapid change in economic conditions resulting from the outbreak of COVID-19 created a complex operating environment for the Manager. It is, therefore, encouraging to report that, although the pandemic inevitably had a short term impact on the trading of certain portfolio companies, many of the more defensive holdings have been relatively unaffected, whilst others have continued to grow their revenues. This highlights the benefits of the diverse portfolio that has been constructed over recent years and which has provided protection against the wider market conditions arising from the pandemic. The AIM quoted portfolio delivered a strong performance during the year with several of the new AIM investments, notably those with exposure to the healthcare and life sciences sectors, recording significant share price appreciation. Whilst retaining a cautious approach to certain sectors, the Manager has maintained a good rate of deployment, significantly expanding the portfolio during the year in line with the strategic objective of building a large and highly diversified portfolio of unlisted and AIM quoted holdings. A key highlight of the financial year was the realisation of Symphonic Software, which was sold to a US trade buyer in October 2020, achieving a total return of 2.9 times cost over a holding period of less than two years.

At the outset of the pandemic, and in support of your Company's objectives, the immediate priority was the safety and wellbeing of the Maven team and the protection of Shareholder value. In line with Government and local guidelines, Maven's regional offices migrated to a home-working model, with all non-essential travel cancelled and meetings taking place by video conference or telephone. This transition was achieved with absolute continuity of service throughout. Latterly, the Maven offices have re-opened, with social distancing measures and enhanced hygiene protocols in place. Maven will continue to follow Government advice and local guidelines with respect to its day-to-day operations.

Shortly after the outbreak of COVID-19 in the UK, Maven initiated a comprehensive review of the portfolio, to ascertain the likely impact on a case-by-case basis. The investment team has been actively involved, working closely with each management team to assess the impact and to ensure that costs and cash have been carefully managed. Maven also provided assistance in helping portfolio companies to access Government support such as the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and the Coronavirus Business Interruption Loans Scheme (CBILS). Following that initial review, the Board approved a small number of specific provisions against holdings in unlisted companies that were most affected, particularly those with direct exposure to sectors where lockdown restrictions had an immediate impact on trading ability. A revised NAV was announced to the market on 26 March 2020, reflecting those provisions alongside a valuation of all AIM quoted and listed holdings based on market prices at that time. The breadth and diversity of the portfolio has proven to be a core strength throughout this period and it is encouraging to report than there has been a recovery in value since this review was conducted, as reflected in the NAV and NAV total return per share reported as at the year end.

Whilst the market conditions resulting from the pandemic have created challenges for some investee companies, most of the portfolio assets have proved to be operationally resilient and have continued to achieve growth in revenue during the year. A large proportion of your portfolio is now invested in earlier stage companies, and a number of these younger investee companies have seen an acceleration of their business model to reflect the rapid and widespread uptake of digital solutions. This includes increased use of video-calls, online shopping, training or click and collect services. In addition, your Company has exposure to a range of biotech and medtech companies that have been able to contribute to the global effort to develop COVID-19 tests or therapeutics, as well as helping to provide much needed medical equipment and supplies.

It is encouraging to report that eleven new private company assets were added to the portfolio during the year, predominantly in defensive sectors such as training, cyber security, web archiving, data analytics and healthcare, where there is limited direct consumer exposure. Where possible, Maven has actively sought to co-invest alongside another VCT house or partner or has structured the investment to be delivered progressively in tranches, subject to achievement of agreed milestones, in order to further mitigate risk. The provision of follow-on funding to support portfolio companies that are making tangible commercial progress remains a key component of the investment strategy, as it is widely acknowledged that many growth companies will require several rounds of funding to help them achieve scale and realise optimum value at exit. Full details of the new portfolio companies can be found on pages 27 to 28 of this Annual Report.

In line with the Board's strategy, the Manager has also made a number of new investments in AIM quoted assets, to complement the core portfolio of private company holdings. During the year, six new AIM quoted holdings were added to the portfolio, across a range of attractive and emerging sectors, including biotech, medtech and clean energy. Maven has several dedicated London based AIM VCT executives with a deep understanding of that market who enjoy long-standing relationships with the City broking community. A summary of the AIM quoted portfolio developments can be found on pages 28 to 29 of this Annual Report.

RegTech specialist **Symphonic Software** was sold to a US trade buyer in October 2020 for a total return of 2.9 times cost achieved over a holding period of less than two years, where the acquirer was attracted to Symphonic's unique platform and technology. Since the VCT rule change in 2015, your Company has been constructing a portfolio of early stage higher growth assets that are capable of generating a premium multiple of cost at exit. This exit represents the first material and high value exit from the early stage element of the private company portfolio.

Portfolio Developments

Private Company Holdings

Integrated drug discovery service provider **BioAscent Discovery** has achieved impressive growth since the Maven VCTs first invested in 2018. Over the past two years, the business has recorded 67% compound annual growth in revenue and was recently named top performing outsourcer in the Alantra Pharma Fast 50, which ranks the UK's fastest growing privately owned pharma and pharma service companies. Since investment, BioAscent has extended its services into complementary chemistry and biology areas, and has been involved in the UK's response to the outbreak of COVID-19, helping to set up a new testing facility in conjunction with the Scottish Government to scale up virus testing. Despite the challenging operating climate, BioAscent expects to record further growth in the year ahead.

Learning & development software provider **Filtered Technologies** has made strong progress since the Maven VCTs first invested in July 2019. Filtered provides skills training to corporate clients through its intelligent learning software solution and has continued to grow throughout the current year, with annual recurring revenue (ARR) doubling since the initial investment. During 2020, Filtered demonstrated the resilient nature of its business model by harnessing its technology to develop specific products that enable clients to conduct virtual training to replace the usual "in person" conferences. The business has a strong client base and a number of interesting pipeline opportunities, indicating that further growth in ARR should be achievable in the year ahead.

The first crematoria developed by **Horizon Ceremonies** in the Clyde Coast & Garnock Valley, continues to trade well having built a strong local market presence and a growing reputation for offering high quality service and care for families. During 2020, the Horizon business made further strategic progress including securing planning consent for the construction of new crematoria on two further sites. Construction work is now well advanced at the location in Cannock, Staffordshire, and the facility is expected to open at the end of April 2021. Construction of the third crematorium in the suburbs of Glasgow commenced in August 2020 and is progressing in line with the plan. Two further sites are also now under option, with planning applications submitted. The medium term strategic objective remains to build a portfolio of modern, technologically advanced crematoria that meet the best ethical practice and environmental standards, and to sell the business to a trade acquirer when the business plan has been achieved.

This has been an important year in the evolution of **QikServe**, which has developed a patented customer self-service platform that enables clients in hospitality venues to order and pay, either at their table or remotely, without the need for personal contact or handling menus. Your Company first invested in QikServe in December 2016 and, since then, the business has made good progress, including the 2019 acquisition of complementary technology business Preoday, a developer of an order ahead, click-and-collect, solution, which has added a supplementary service offering to QikServe's

product range. The restrictions imposed by the pandemic have accelerated the transition towards digital ordering within the hospitality sector and the business has been well positioned to benefit. During the year, the business has added a number of new clients including Merlin Entertainment, motorway service station Moto and TGI Fridays, and has a strong pipeline of opportunities with high profile clients which should help to continue to deliver growth in the year ahead.

This has been a challenging year for the automotive sector, with lockdown restrictions requiring car showrooms to remain closed and UK new car registrations 29% lower than the previous year. Despite the difficult market conditions, **Rockar**, the developer of a disruptive digital new and used car-buying software platform, has continued to make good progress with its online white label solution attracting attention from a number of car manufacturers and national dealership groups, who are keen to develop a digital alternative to either replace or complement the traditional showroom model. Rockar is well positioned to continue to grow its presence in this developing market, where it is anticipated that there will be a progressive move towards digitising the market for retail car sales in line with the general trend across the retail economy.

In 2016, your Company invested in **The GP Service (GPS)**, which provides a secure end-to-end system that allows patients to consult with a doctor online and to have a private prescription dispensed by a local pharmacy through an electronic portal. GPS remains at the forefront of this sector, which has seen strong growth during the COVID-19 pandemic, having secured Care Quality Commission accreditation and being currently the only private company with access to patients' NHS records. There are now 1,600 pharmacy partners signed up and the management team continues to progress a number of significant commercial agreements that could be transformational for the business. Notably, GPS recently won *The Santander Technology Business of the Year* award at the 2020 Growing Business Awards.

Your Company first invested in **WaterBear Education** in February 2018, when Maven backed a management team with over 20 years' experience in the music education sector to set up a specialist private music college, offering university accredited Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts courses for the creative arts, primarily catering for musicians, singers and songwriters. During the year, the business achieved a significant milestone by finalising a commercial relationship with Falmouth University, and student numbers have continued to grow. WaterBear was established to offer a blend of online and onsite tuition and this model has proved to be resilient against COVID-19 restrictions and current market conditions.

Conversely, a small number of portfolio companies have failed to gain necessary commercial traction. A provision was taken against the holding in **ADC Biotechnology**, which encountered challenges in gaining regulatory approval for its new facility in North Wales. Shortly after the period end, and following a formal process led by a specialist corporate finance adviser, ADC secured investment from Sterling Pharmaceuticals, which should assist the business in obtaining regulatory approval. A provision was also taken against the holding in **AVID Technology** which, whilst making commercial progress, has not scaled as quickly as anticipated.

Quoted Holdings

During the financial year, the AIM portfolio holdings performed strongly delivering a 25.4% return, outperforming the FTSE AIM All-Share Index which increased by 13.9% over the same period.

During the year, £1.87 million was realised through a number of partial and complete realisations as the Manager was able to take advantage of the rising market to actively trade and crystallise gains. The partial realisations of **Avacta**, **Diurnal** and **Trackwise Designs** were completed at prices substantially higher than the entry price following strong investor demand arising from positive news flow regarding contract wins, operational progress and strategic partnerships. In May 2020, your Company invested in **Genedrive**, which provided an opportunity to gain exposure to a molecular diagnostics company with a COVID-19 testing capability at an attractive valuation. The entire investment was realised in full during the reporting period and generated a 60% uplift on the entry cost. Market sentiment also enabled your Company to realise its holding in **Omega Diagnostics** at a price substantially higher than the entry price.

Access Intelligence announced a positive trading update for the year ended 30 November 2020, stating that revenue growth had accelerated during the second half of the year with the company reporting total revenues of £19.1 million. Access Intelligence increased annual contract value by £2.8 million, with the total contract value at year end of £21.9 million, which partially underpins market forecasts for the year ahead. The increase in revenue was driven by new business wins, which increased by 95% year on year, and a 52% increase in upselling. New clients included blue-chips such as Amazon, Lamborghini, Boots, LinkedIn, Saatchi & Saatchi and Unicredit, which demonstrate the company's increasing appeal across a diverse range of sectors. Post the period end, the balance sheet was strengthened by an oversubscribed £10 million placing alongside a £2 million CBILS facility, which will be used to extend the global footprint, strengthen the offering and allow for opportunistic complementary bolt-on acquisitions.

There was continued improvement in operational performance at **Avacta** during the six month period to 30 June 2020. R&D investment increased as the company expanded its diagnostics offering with revenue growing to £1.8 million. Revenue contribution from the Group's therapeutics business increased to £0.8 million, due to the increase of funded research projects with the diagnostic business generating £0.3 million. Avacta refocused the business and resources to capitalise on the near term diagnostics opportunities utilising its significant IP platform to develop lateral flow antigen tests for COVID-19, together with winning and extending partnerships. Good progress was maintained in therapeutics, despite some logistical delays due to COVID-19, with the company expected to enter its first asset into the clinic in the first half of 2021, which represents a significant milestone for the business. Cash at the period end was £54.5 million following two successful placings in April and June 2020, the proceeds of which will be used to support the core therapeutic business and COVID-19 diagnostic opportunities.

Ideagen delivered a robust performance and reported a strong set of financials for the year ended 30 April 2020. Sales increased by 21% to £56.6 million driven by both acquisitions and new customer wins, with the company securing 458 additional customers across verticals. In addition to winning a notable contract with the US Government, ARR at the year end was reported as £48.7 million and Software as a Service (SaaS) increased 61% to £22.1 million to represent the largest element of group revenue. Adjusted earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA) rose 30% to £18.5 million with the adjusted EBITDA margin improving to 32.7%. Ongoing high level of customer retention kept the support and maintenance contract renewal rate stable at 95%. Post the period end, Ideagen raised £48 million in a substantially oversubscribed placing with the proceeds to be used in continuing with its acquisition strategy. Subsequently, the company announced that it had acquired SaaS regulatory and compliance software provider Harmony UK Limited. The acquisition, which is expected to be immediately earnings enhancing, was well received by the market and reflected in an uplift in the share price.

Despite the challenges presented by the pandemic, **Intelligent Ultrasound** reported a strong operational performance. Whilst trading was relatively unaffected during the first wave of the pandemic, it remains hard to forecast sales as COVID-19 restrictions continue to impact customers across the global. In September, the company announced it was aiming to generate initial revenues in the second half of 2021 from its *ScanNav AnatomyGuide Peripheral Nerve Block* artificial intelligence software after its US FDA filing and later announced its *SonoLyst* software had been launched under a long-term licence and co-development agreement with GE Healthcare for its *Voluson* women's health ultrasound portfolio, with the first royalties expected at the start of 2021.

Trackwise Designs announced a trading update for the 10 months to 31 October 2020, which reported total revenue of £4.8 million with Improved Harness Technology (IHT) revenue of £0.5 million and an adjusted EBITDA of £0.6 million. The share price has performed well, driven by a transformational agreement signed with an electric vehicle original equipment manufacturer worth up to £38 million over a five-year period. The contract is to supply Trackwise's IHT flexible printed circuit boards for use in high and low voltage circuits in vehicle battery modules and battery packs and represents a significant commercial milestone for the company. The demand for the IHT offering and the new contract win encouraged the company to complete an oversubscribed fundraise of £12.6 million. The proceeds will be invested in plant and machinery and are intended to fund a new IHT UK manufacturing facility and support an increase in working capital.

The six months to 30 September 2020 were a challenging period for **Vianet**, with trading impacted by the enforced closure of pubs due to the pandemic. Despite the reduction in revenues, the company exceeded its initial estimates reporting revenues of £4.1 million and an adjusted operating loss of £0.4 million for the period. The performance within *Smart Zones* was materially impacted by the pandemic, however, long-term contract renewals were signed with Star Pubs and Bars, Admiral Taverns and Young & Co. through proactive engagement with customers. Within *Smart Machines*, the impact on customer trading was mixed, and prior to the November 2020 lockdown, around 70% of machines had remained active, allowing the company to see commercial growth despite the market conditions. Despite the challenges presented by the COVID-19 outbreak, internal costs have been well controlled and management remain confident in the long-term growth strategy.

During the period, **Water Intelligence** reported that it was on track to exceed expectations for the financial year ended 31 December 2020. The Q3 trading update reported revenue growth of 13% year on year to \$27.8 million, driven by the company's essential service provider status during the pandemic, which accelerated execution of its strategic growth plan. In addition, Water Intelligence completed an oversubscribed placing, successfully raising £3.7 million to fund further reacquisitions and organic growth in the global water infrastructure sector. In line with this strategy, Water Intelligence subsequently announced the reacquisitions of its Seattle, Louisiana, and Florida franchises.

Liquidity Management

The Board and the Manager continue to operate an active liquidity management policy, with the objective of generating income from cash resources held prior to investment. Whilst the Finance Act 2016 introduced the restriction on holding investments in instruments such as treasury bills or other Government-backed securities for liquidity management purposes, it does permit VCTs holding certain other listed securities. The Manager has constructed a focused portfolio of private equity investment trust investments and will continue to consider any other permitted liquidity management investment options that have the potential to generate income prior to deployment in VCT qualifying assets.

New Investments

This has been an active period for new investment, with the addition of eleven new private company holdings to the portfolio. These companies are active in some of the UK's most dynamic market sectors, and areas that have continued to experience growth despite challenges within the wider economy.



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Intilery





Coniq has developed *IQ*, a market leading customer engagement platform that uses artificial intelligence (AI) driven capabilities to automate customer loyalty programmes for some of the world's leading shopping malls and outlets. The platform helps clients to understand the behaviours of shoppers, and thereby support loyalty programmes, which are ultimately designed to improve customer retention and increase average spend. The business has a global presence, with key clients in Europe and the Middle East, where there is a high prevalence of large-scale retail malls. The VCT funding is being used to accelerate technical development of the software platform, support the hiring of sales and marketing personnel, and facilitate international expansion.

GEN inCode has developed a range of patented products, which use genetic testing to provide predictive analysis of a patient's health risk in cardiovascular and related diseases, which collectively are the leading global cause of death and disability. Proprietary algorithms use AI, bioinformatics and a globally recognised clinical evidence base to provide actionable insights. With healthcare shifting from a 'one size fits all' approach towards tailored treatments that utilise patients' genetic information, GEN inCode's diagnostic solutions enable medical practitioners to develop targeted treatment and prevention plans; helping to transform the delivery of effective healthcare. The VCT funding is being used to expand its presence in the European market and to enter the US, which is seen as a key market for future growth.

Hublsoft is a data analytics specialist that aims to provide better support for corporate decision makers. Through its SaaS platform, Hublsoft simplifies the analysis of big data using natural language and charts that are simple to interpret and understand. The smart user interface makes big data more accessible for clients who had previously found it too complex to handle or were heavily reliant on third parties to analyse and interpret the results. The VCT funding is being used to support the growth in new markets in the UK and Europe.

Intilery has developed a digital customer engagement platform that provides a holistic view of a client organisation's marketing activities and uses real time data about a customer's behaviour to identify opportunities for enhancing multi-channel marketing campaigns. Personalised interactions and timely reminders are used to improve the levels of engagement, increase loyalty and ultimately drive revenue growth. The VCT funding is being used to expand the sales and marketing team as well as further develop the product and associated technology.

MirrorWeb has developed a cloud-based social media and website archiving solution for public and private sector clients, which addresses the increasing requirement to preserve online data to meet statutory, regulatory or legal obligations. MirrorWeb provides a reliable, secure solution that allows clients to preserve legally admissible records in a digital archive, leading to reduced compliance costs and improved efficiency through automation. The business has built a strong recurring revenue base and has a client list that includes Aberdeen Standard Investments, the BBC, HM Treasury, Tesco Bank, The National Archives and Zurich Insurance Group. The VCT funding is being used to grow the sales and marketing function to help build a market presence in the UK and US, particularly within the financial services sector.

Nano Interactive is an advertising technology business that specialises in intent targeting to identify relevant individuals to receive advertising based on multiple live intent signals, including their online search activity. Nano's platform allows advertisers and agencies to target users, at the exact point of interest, whilst also prioritising user privacy. The company has a strong client base of blue-chip advertisers, including Microsoft and agency groups such as Omnicom and Publicis. The VCT funding is being used to further product development and establish a presence in the USA.

PRECURSIVE









Precursive has developed a B2B SaaS platform that allows clients to automate their customer onboarding and workforce capacity management. The platform bridges the gap between customer relationship management sales systems and customer success platforms, in order to improve operational efficiency and reduce client attrition. Precursive has built a strong market position and has developed high-quality relationships with clients such as DPD, GoCardless, Google and SES, which also provides good levels of forward revenue visibility. The VCT funding is being used to hire additional development staff, grow outbound and channel sales, and invest in product development.

Push Technology is an established technology business that provides solutions to improve the speed, security and efficiency of critical data transfers. Push has built a strong bluechip customer base across financial services, e-gaming companies and internet of things (IOT) sectors, where data transfer is of particularly high importance and value. Push engages with customers through long-term software licenses combined with annual recurring maintenance and support income. The VCT funding is being used to develop the business internationally and enhance the technology offering.

Quorum Cyber Security has developed an innovative platform that offers organisations a level of cyber security that would not be available in-house, including advisory services in crucial areas such as penetration testing, vulnerability management, forensic investigation and regulatory compliance. Quorum's managed, cloud native *Security Operations Centre*, protects small and large businesses across a range of sectors, and the business also provides consulting and managed security services to companies across the globe, including the UK, Europe, Australasia, and the Middle East. The VCT funding is being used to invest in sales and marketing, as well as to further develop the relationship with Microsoft, which should enable Quorum to target larger customers in the future.

RevLifter has developed an AI powered B2B technology solution that helps e-retailers increase revenue through personalised offers hosted by client brands. The technology platform uses machine learning to analyse and understand multiple signals from customers' on-site behaviour in order to deliver incentives tailored to their preferences, thereby minimising cart abandonment, increasing sales, and improving customer loyalty. RevLifter has gained a number of high-profile clients including ASOS, AT&T and US retailer Sam's Club. The VCT funding is being used to expand the sales and marketing function, build out the technical development and data science teams and grow the customer services function.

The Algorithm People (TAP) has developed a SaaS platform for the transport and logistics sectors. The *My Transport Planner* solution enables fleet operators to reduce costs by planning the most efficient route and job schedule for their vehicles (including electric vehicles). Delivery via a web browser removes the cost and complexity of implementation, or the need for investment in ancillary hardware, which are known barriers to the adoption of route optimisation technology for a large part of the market. TAP's technology also features a pay-as-you-go model (in addition to longer term contract options) to drive uptake by smaller fleet operators. The VCT funding is being used to progress new partnerships and increase market presence.

In addition, six new AIM quoted investments were added to the portfolio:

- **Destiny Pharma** is a clinical stage biotechnology company focused on the development and commercialisation of novel medicines to prevent life threatening infections caused by antibiotic resistant bacteria such as MRSA. Destiny is also co-developing a preventative biotherapeutic product for the prevention of COVID-19. Your Company participated in the £9.5 million fundraising, which completed in November 2020. The investment is being used to fund Phase III clinical trial preparation costs and to provide additional working capital.
- **Diurnal** is a speciality pharmaceutical company developing high quality products for the life-long treatment of rare and chronic endocrine conditions, including congenital adrenal hyperplasia and adrenal insufficiency. Your Company participated in the £11.2 million fundraising, which completed in March 2020. The investment is being used to support the development and commercialisation of Diurnal's established products in the US and the rest of the world and to progress the early stage pipeline opportunities into clinical trial phases.

- Eden Research develops and supplies innovative biopesticide products and natural micro-capsulation technologies to the global crop protection, animal health and consumer products industries. Your Company participated in the £10.1 million fundraising, which completed in March 2020. This investment is being used to develop, register and commercialise key new products in categories such as insecticide formulation and seed treatment, taking a leading position in the rapidly growing sustainable agriculture market.
- **Genedrive** is a molecular diagnostics company that is developing and commercialising a low cost, simple to use platform for the rapid diagnosis of infectious diseases and use in patient stratification pathogen detection and other indications. During the period, Genedrive announced the development of a high throughput SARS-CoV-2 test to detect the COVID-19 infection. Your Company participated in the £7 million placing, which completed in May 2020. The investment is being used to support the introduction of the SARS-CoV-2 test alongside other product innovation.
- **ReNeuron** is a global leader in cell-based therapeutics, where its unique stem cell technologies are used to develop 'off the shelf' stem cell treatments, without the need for immunosuppressive drugs. ReNeuron has clinical-stage candidates in development for retinitis pigmentosa, a blindness-causing disease, and for disability as a result of stroke. Your Company participated in the £15 million fundraising, which completed in November 2020. The investment is being used to support the current clinical trials and help deliver proof of concept on pre-clinical stem cell therapies currently in development.
- **Trackwise Designs** is a leading printed circuit technology provider, manufacturing specialist interconnector products for use across multiple sectors and applications. Your Company participated in the £5.9 million fundraising, which completed in March 2020. The investment provides working capital to support the growth of the business, specifically in the improved harness technology area, which utilises the company's proprietary technology to manufacture unlimited length, multilayer flexible printed circuits that can be used in aerospace, automotive, satellite and medical markets.

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			Investment cost	
Investments	Date	Sector	£'000	Website
New unlisted				
CODILINK UK Limited (trading as Coniq)	December 2019	Software & computer services (customer engagement)	450	www.coniq.com
GEN inCode UK Limited	July 2020	Health	200	www.genincode.com
Hublsoft Group Limited	June 2020	Software & computer services (data analytics)	300	www.hublsoft.com
Intilery.com Limited	April 2020	Software & computer services (e-commerce)	75	www.intilery.com
MirrorWeb Limited	September 2020	Software & computer services (RegTech)	150	www.mirrorweb.com
Nano Interactive Group Limited	March 2020	Software & computer services (AdTech)	625	www.nanointeractive.com
Precursive Limited	March 2020	Software & computer services (resource management)	500	www.precursive.com
Push Technology Limited	March 2020	Software & computer services (data acceleration)	525	www.pushtechnology.com
Quorum Cyber Security Limited	June 2020	Software & computer services (cyber security)	150	www.quorumcyber.com
RevLifter Limited	November 2020	Software & computer services (e-commerce)	300	www.revlifter.com
The Algorithm People Limited	May 2020	Software & computer services (fleet telematics)	100	www.thealgorithmpeople.co.uk
Total new unlisted			3,375	

The table below shows the investments that have been completed during the period:

			Investment	
Investments	Date	Sector	cost £'000	Website
Follow-on unlisted				
ADC Biotechnology Limited ¹	January, March and July 2020	Pharmaceuticals & biotechnology	184	www.adcbio.com
AVID Technology Group Limited ²	January and March 2020	Specialist manufacturing	112	www.avidtp.com
Boiler Plan (UK) Limited	March 2020	Support services (consumer services)	200	www.boilerplanuk.com
Bright Network (UK) Limited	March 2020	Software & computer services (recruitment)	667	www.brightnetwork.co.uk
Contego Solutions Limited (trading as NorthRow)	July 2020	Software & computer services (RegTech)	50	www.northrow.com
Curo Compensation Limited	April 2020	Software & computer services (employment services)	82	www.curocomp.com
e.fundamentals Group Limited	November 2020	Software & computer services (data analysis)	300	www.efundamentals.com
eSafe Global Limited	November 2020	Software & computer services (education)	33	www.esafeglobal.com
HiveHR Limited	February 2020	Software & computer services (human resources)	100	www.hive.hr
Horizon Ceremonies Limited	May 2020	Support services (funeral services)	100	www.horizoncremation.co.uk
Lending Works Limited	February 2020	Software & computer services (FinTech)	12	www.lendingworks.co.uk
Life's Great Group Limited (trading as Mojo Mortgages) ²	March and July 2020	Software & computer services (financial services)	266	www.mojomortgages.com
Optoscribe Limited	March 2020	Specialist manufacturing	88	www.optoscribe.com
QikServe Limited ²	December 2019 and March 2020	Software & computer services (hospitality)	58	www.qikserve.com
Rockar 2016 Limited (trading as Rockar)	October 2020	Software & computer services (automotive)	400	www.rockar.digital
Shortbite Limited (trading as DigitalBridge)	January 2020	Software & computer services (consumer services)	158	www.digitalbridge.com
The GP Service (UK) Limited	May 2020	Health	163	www.thegpservice.co.uk
Total follow-on unlisted			2,973	
Total unlisted			6,348	

			Investment	
			cost	
Investments	Date	Sector	£'000	Website
New quoted				
Destiny Pharma PLC	November 2020	Pharmaceuticals & biotechnology	100	www.destinypharma.com
Diurnal Group PLC	March 2020	Pharmaceuticals & biotechnology	62	www.diurnal.co.uk
Eden Research PLC	March 2020	Chemicals	102	www.edenresearch.com
Genedrive PLC	May 2020	Pharmaceuticals & biotechnology	25	www.genedriveplc.com
ReNeuron Group PLC	November 2020	Pharmaceuticals & biotechnology	150	www.reneuron.com
Trackwise Design PLC	March 2020	Electronics & electrical equipment	63	www.trackwise.co.uk
Total new quoted			502	
Follow-on quoted				
C4X Discovery Holdings PLC	May 2020	Pharmaceuticals & biotechnology	13	www.c4xdiscovery.com
Total follow-on quoted			13	
Total quoted			515	
Private equity investment trusts ³				
Apax Global Alpha Limited	January 2020	Investment companies	60	www.apaxglobalalpha.com
BMO Private Equity Trust PLC (formerly F&C Private Equity Trust PLC)	January 2020	Investment companies	60	www.bmogam.com
HarbourVest Global Private Equity Limited	January 2020	Investment companies	60	www.harbourvest.com
HgCapital Trust PLC	January 2020	Investment companies	61	www.hgcapital.com
ICG Enterprise Trust PLC	January 2020	Investment companies	60	www.icg-enterprise.co.uk
Pantheon International PLC	January 2020	Investment companies	60	www.piplc.com
Princess Private Equity Holding Limited	January 2020	Investment companies	60	www.princess-privateequity.net
Standard Life Private Equity Trust PLC	January 2020	Investment companies	62	www.slpet.co.uk
Total private equity investment trusts			483	
Total investments			7,346	

¹ Follow-on investment tranched in three stages.

² Follow-on investment tranched in two stages.

³ Part of liquidity management strategy.

Your Company has co-invested in some or all of the above transactions with the other Maven VCTs. At the period end, the portfolio stood at 111 unlisted and quoted investments at a total cost of £37.22 million.

Realisations

In December 2019, the holding in **ITS Technology** was realised. The initial investment completed in June 2017 and within a relatively short space of time it became apparent that, in order to achieve commercial scale, the business would require a larger investor, capable of supporting a national roll-out. As a result, a specialist corporate finance adviser was appointed in early 2019 to lead a process to help secure a sale of the business and identify an investor who could support its long-term funding requirements. The process concluded with a sale to Aviva Investors, the global asset management business of Aviva, which committed £45 million to support the expansion of the full fibre broadband network across the country. The exit generated a total return of 1.0 times cost over the holding period.

In June 2020, the partial sale of the investment in **Global Risk Partners** (GRP) completed. Your Company originally invested in 2013, participating in a syndicate to back a highly experienced management team to pursue a buy & build strategy in the specialty insurance and reinsurance markets. GRP achieved significant scale and, at the point of sale, had completed and successfully integrated 59 acquisitions, with the enlarged business achieving annual gross written premium of almost £800 million. Following a competitive process, an offer was received from a US private equity buyer, with a partial exit completing conditionally in February 2020. Regulatory approval for the transaction was subsequently granted and the sale concluded in June, generating a total return of 2.6 times cost over the life of the investment.

In October 2020, following an unsolicited approach, the holding in RegTech specialist **Symphonic Software** was realised through a trade sale to NYSE listed US technology business PING Identity, which delivers intelligent identity solutions for corporate clients. Following the investment by the Maven VCTs in March 2019, Symphonic developed a strong partnership with PING, allowing its authorisation software to be paired with PING's data privacy and consent products. The acquisition is an excellent strategic fit, as it will facilitate greater integration with PING's broader intelligent identity platform. The exit generated a total return of 2.9 times cost over the holding period.

During the period, £1.87 million was realised through AIM disposals, where the Manager was able to take advantage of share price appreciation and favourable market conditions to actively trade out of a number of holdings either partially or completely, in order to lock in profits.

The table below gives details of all realisations completed during the reporting period:

Sales	Year first invested	Complete/ partial exit	Cost of shares disposed of £'000	Value at 30 November 2019 £'000	Sales proceeds £'000	Realised gain/ (loss) £'000	Gain/(loss) over 30 November 2019 value £'000
Unlisted							
ITS Technology Group Limited ¹	2017	Complete	464	464	401	(63)	(63)
Lambert Contracts Holdings Limited ²	2013	Complete	-	-	21	21	21
Martel Instruments Holdings Limited ³	2015	Complete	53	53	53	-	-
Maven Co-invest Endeavour Limited Partnership (invested in Global Risk Partners) ⁴	2013	Partial	300	754	630	330	(124)
Space Student Living Limited ²	2011	Complete	-	24	18	18	(6)
Symphonic Software Limited	2019	Complete	184	185	520	336	335
Other unlisted investments			-	-	5	5	5
Total unlisted			1,001	1,480	1,648	647	168
Quoted							
Amerisur Resources PLC	2010	Complete	52	56	58	6	2
Anpario PLC (formerly Kiotech International PLC)	2000	Partial	12	32	35	23	3
Avacta Group PLC	2019	Partial	100	111	406	306	295
DeepMatter Group PLC	2019	Partial	29	22	40	11	18
Eden Research PLC	2020	Partial	19	-	25	6	-
Genedrive PLC	2020	Complete	25	-	40	15	-
Ideagen PLC (formerly Datum PLC)	2005	Partial	29	734	830	801	96
Intelligent Ultrasound Group PLC	2019	Partial	32	26	52	20	26
Omega Diagnostics Group PLC	2009	Complete	130	62	207	77	145
Trackwise Design PLC	2020	Partial	38	-	83	45	-
Water Intelligence PLC	2009	Partial	19	76	92	73	16
Other quoted investments			2	1	6	4	5
Total quoted			487	1,120	1,874	1,387	606
Total sales			1,488	2,600	3,522	2,034	774

¹ Proceeds exclude yield and redemption premiums received, which are disclosed as revenue for financial reporting purposes.

² Final recovery proceeds.

³ Final loan note repayment.

⁴ Loss over 30 November 2019 value equates to the residual holding retained in the business and as reflected in the current NAV.

During the year, one private company was struck off the Register of Companies, resulting in a realised loss of £0.3 million (cost £0.3 million). This had no effect on the NAV of the Company as a full provision had been made against the value of the holding in an earlier period.

Material Developments Since the Period End

Since 30 November 2020, one new private company asset has been added to the portfolio.

Adimo has developed a marketing technology platform for the fast moving consumer goods (FMCG) sector, which is the world's largest advertising sector by spend. Adimo's solution gives FMCG adverts direct sales capability by connecting to online grocery baskets and allowing a product to be added either for purchase later or to be bought instantly through the "Buy it Now" functionality. The software also provides brands with important data on a customer's buying behaviour to help support repeat purchases. Adimo has a strong blue chip client list which includes Coca Cola, Danone and GSK. The VCT funding is being used to pursue pipeline opportunities and help grow the revenue base.

In December 2020, the sale of peer-to-peer lending platform, **Lending Works**, received FCA approval and completed. Your Company first invested in Lending Works in April 2018 and, at the time, the peer-to-peer market was experiencing significant growth with Lending Works poised to become a credible challenger in this disruptive market. The outbreak of COVID-19 had a detrimental impact on consumer appetite for lending and, therefore, the Manager made the decision to exit the investment. Following a formal sales process, an offer for the business was accepted from private asset manager Intriva Capital, with the sale completing in December 2020. The exit generated a total return of 0.9 times cost, over the holding period.

Outlook

Despite the wider macro conditions, this has been a year of positive progress during which your Company has continued to deliver on its core investment objective. The investee company portfolio has seen significant expansion with the addition of a wide range of new holdings across various industry sectors, many of which offer defensive qualities and continuing growth potential. The Manager believes that the optimum model for a diversified VCT is the construction of a balanced portfolio with exposure to both private and AIM quoted companies, in tandem with an active liquidity management policy. Your Company is aligned with this approach and consequently remains well positioned to continue to achieve further growth in Shareholder value in the years ahead.

Maven Capital Partners UK LLP Manager

15 March 2021

LARGEST INVESTMENTS BY VALUATION

As at 30 November 2020



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Ideagen PLC

Nottingham

Cost (£'000)		150	
Valuation (£'000)		4,371	
Basis of valuation		Bid price	
Equity held		0.9%	
Market capitalisation (£million)		499.06	
Income received (£'000)	48		
First invested	May 200		
Year end		30 April	
	2020 (£'000)	2019 (£'000)	
Sales	56,565	46,667	
EBITDA ¹	18,523	14,273	
Net assets	76,909	73,682	

Ideagen is a leading supplier of information management software solutions to highly regulated industries such as aviation, life sciences, healthcare, banking and finance. The Group has a global presence with operations in the UK, US, EU, South East Asia and the Middle East, and has an extensive client base with over 5,700 customers including top accountancy firms, NHS Trusts and leading aerospace and life sciences companies.

www.ideagen.co.uk

Other Maven clients invested: Maven Income and Growth VCT 4 PLC



Water Intelligence PLC

London

Intelligence

Cost (£'000)	253		
Valuation (£'000)	1,868		
Basis of valuation	Bid price		
Equity held	2.0%		
Market capitalisation (£million)		74.97	
Income received (£'000)	Nil		
First invested	December 2009		
Year end		31 December	
	2019 (\$'000)	2018 (\$'000)	
Sales	32,364	25,467	
EBITDA ¹	4,200	2,960	
Net assets	17,523	12,976	

Water Intelligence provides environmental services and technology, to help in detecting, remediating and monitoring the water infrastructure and conserve our valuable water resource. The company has a focus on detecting and finding water leaks, through leak detection solutions which help residential, commercial and utility customers to lower repair costs and conserve water. It specialises in providing non-invasive detection and remediation solutions which, unlike traditional plumbing methods, allows its specialists to locate problems using innovative technology such as infrared, acoustic and correlation equipment.

www.waterintelligence.co.uk

Other Maven clients invested: None



Rockar.

Hull

Rockar 2016 Limited (trading as Rockar)

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Cost (£'000)	980		
Valuation (£'000)		1,072	
Basis of valuation	Earning		
Equity held	5.2		
Income received (£'000)	34		
First invested	July 2016		
Year end		31 December	
	2019 (£'000)	2018 (£'000)	
Sales	51,754	47,855	
EBITDA ²	340	553	
Net assets	728	830	

Rockar has developed a disruptive digital car-buying proposition which aims to revolutionise the retail market by giving customers access to all the services of a traditional dealership online. The white label solution helps car manufacturers digitalise their traditional route to market and enables consumers to complete their purchase online, including options for part-exchange and finance.

www.rockar.digital

Other Maven clients invested:

Maven Income and Growth VCT PLC Maven Income and Growth VCT 3 PLC Maven Income and Growth VCT 4 PLC





Horizon Ceremonies Limited

Kent

Cost (£'000)	660		
Valuation (£'000)	990		
Basis of valuation	Discounted cashflow		
Equity held	3.6%		
Income received (£'000)	68		
First invested	May 2017		
Year end	31 December		
	2019 (£'000)	2018 (£'000)	
Net assets/ (liabilities)	(584)	259	
This company produces abbreviated accounts as permitted			

This company produces abbreviated accounts as permitted under the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Horizon Ceremonies is building and operating a portfolio of environmentally and technologically advanced crematoria across the UK that will offer enhanced levels of care for families. Many UK areas have a shortage of modern local facilities, with the market experiencing increased demand for better quality service and forecast to see significant long-term growth, reflecting demographic changes and changing public attitudes to cremation. Horizon's first facility, Clyde Coast and Garnock Valley in North Ayrshire, has been trading since June 2018 and construction is well underway at the site in Cannock, Staffordshire, with the facility due to open in April 2021. Construction has also recently commenced at a third site in the suburbs of Glasgow and there are a further two sites at various stages in the planning and consents process.

www.horizoncremation.co.uk

Other Maven clients invested:

Maven Income and Growth VCT PLC Maven Income and Growth VCT 3 PLC Maven Income and Growth VCT 4 PLC Maven Investor Partners



BRIGHT NETWORK

Bright Network (UK) Limited

London

	940	
	971	
	Revenue	
	8.4%	
	Nil	
July 2018		
	31 March	
2020 (£'000)	2019 (£'000)	
3,128	2,172	
(657)	(824)	
4,863	2,103	
	3,128 (657)	

Bright Network has built a media technology platform designed to enable blue-chip employers to identify, recruit and maintain contact with high quality graduates and young professionals. Using data analytics and machine learning to pre-screen candidates, Bright Network's database collates and analyses the diverse graduate talent pool, allowing employers to screen and match candidates to graduate vacancies. The quality of the database delivers significant cost efficiencies and improved outcomes for employers in the recruitment process.



The GP Service (UK) Limited

London

Strategic Report

Cost (£'000)		860	
Valuation (£'000)	892		
Basis of valuation	Revenue		
Equity held		8.4%	
Income received (£'000)		54	
First invested		April 2016	
Year end		31 January	
	2020 (£'000)	2019 (£'000)	
Net liabilities	(1,894)	(597)	

This company produces abbreviated accounts as permitted under the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The GP Service (GPS) provides innovative online services for general medical consultations and prescriptions, and is expanding into new geographical locations whilst also enhancing its range of services. The online pharmacy and prescription market is a growth sector, driven by widespread increases in average GP waiting times and inflexible surgery opening times. The GPS platform enables customers to tailor healthcare needs around work and family commitments, by facilitating live GP consultations by video link, with prescriptions issued to a local pharmacy.

www.brightnetwork.co.uk

Other Maven clients invested:

Maven Income and Growth VCT PLC Maven Income and Growth VCT 3 PLC Maven Income and Growth VCT 4 PLC www.thegpservice.co.uk

Other Maven clients invested: Maven Income and Growth VCT PLC Maven Income and Growth VCT 3 PLC Maven Income and Growth VCT 4 PLC



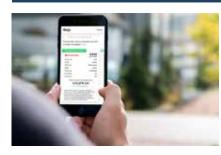
TECHNOLOGY

CB Technology Group Limited

Livingston

Cost (£'000)		521		
Valuation (£'000)	759			
Basis of valuation	Earnings			
Equity held	10.6%			
Income received (£'000)	254			
First invested	December 2014			
Year end	31 March			
	2019 (£'000)	2018 (£'000)		
Sales	8,162	5,260		
EBITDA ²	832	409		
Net liabilities	(334)	(320)		

CB Technology is an established contract electronics manufacturer with a focus on complex manufacturing and testing for deployment in harsh environments. CB predominately assembles and tests high-end printed circuit boards for use in the industrial and semiconductor sectors, supplying a range of blue-chip customers with complex electronics that must function reliably under extremes of temperature, pressure and vibration.



Mojo

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Macclesfield Life's Great Group Limited (trading as Mojo Mortgages) Cost (£'000) 820 Valuation (£'000) 687 Basis of valuation Revenue Equity held 10.0% Income received (£'000) First invested February 2019 Year end 30 April 2020 (£'000) 2019 (£'000) Sales 1,525 847 EBITDA² (3, 621)(4,074)Net assets/ (2,045) (499)

Mojo is an online mortgage broker focused on disrupting the UK mortgage market by revolutionising both advice and access to mortgage deals through digitalisation, automation, design and data. It is forcing market change and creating a far better experience for UK consumers. Mojo has over 172,000 customers signed-up to its services to date with over 5,000 mortgages sold at a total value of over £1 billion, and has access to over 92 lenders in the UK.

www.cbtechnology.co.uk

Other Maven clients invested:

Maven Income and Growth VCT PLC Maven Income and Growth VCT 3 PLC Maven Income and Growth VCT 4 PLC Mayen Investor Partners

www.mojomortgages.com

(liabilities)

Other Maven clients invested: Mayen Income and Growth VCT PLC

Maven Income and Growth VCT 3 PLC Maven Income and Growth VCT 4 PLC



accessintelligence

York

Access Intelligence PLC

	362		
648			
Bid Price			
0.2%			
Nil			
November 2018			
	30 November		
2019 (£'000)	2018 (£'000)		
13,429	8,888		
(1,236)	(661)		
14,071	10,727		
	13,429 (1,236)		

Access Intelligence provides media intelligence software, through a SaaS solution, to clients in the corporate communications and reputation management industry, specifically public relations, marketing and communication industries. Access Intelligence combines AI technologies with human expertise to analyse data and provide strategic insight to help clients understand what impacts their reputation. The group has a portfolio of three core solutions; Vuelio, ResponseSource and Pulsar, and has operations in the UK, USA and Australia servicing over 3,500 clients globally.





Aberdeen

Glacier Energy Services Holdings Limited

	643		
643			
Earnings			
2.5%			
165			
March 2011			
	31 March		
2020 (£'000)	2019 (£'000)		
26,424	24,727		
1,534	1,948		
(14,049)	(10,496)		
	26,424 1,534		

Glacier provides specialist services for energy infrastructure including on-site machining, weld overlay for pressure control equipment, non-destructive testing and the repair or refurbishment of heat transfer equipment. Glacier has a strong international presence in key energy markets, including the North Sea, the Middle East and West Africa, and focuses on developing products for use in production and processing equipment, intervention and pipeline components.

www.accessintelligence.com

Other Maven clients invested: Maven Income and Growth VCT 4 PLC www.glacier.co.uk

Other Maven clients invested:

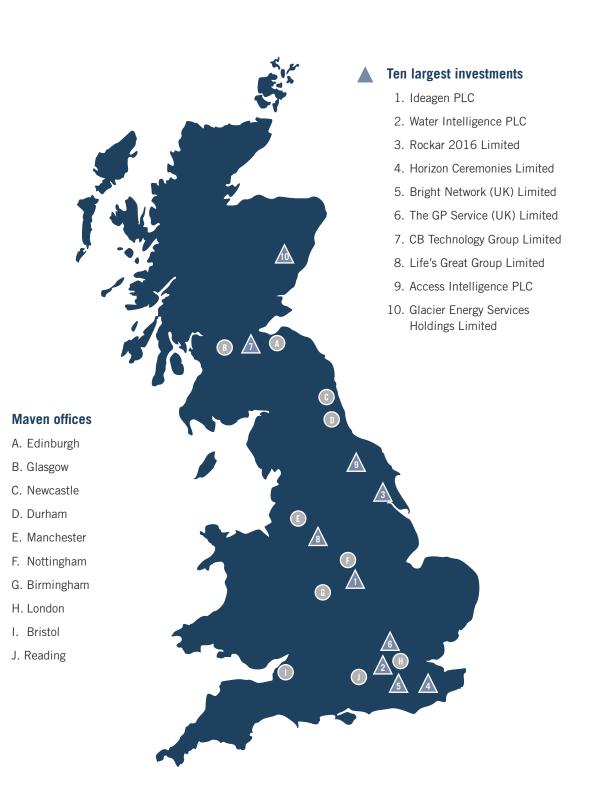
Maven Income and Growth VCT PLC Maven Income and Growth VCT 3 PLC Maven Income and Growth VCT 4 PLC Maven Investor Partners

¹ EBITDA adjusted before share based payments and exceptional items.

² Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation.

³ No interest is payable as the investment has been structured as all equity.

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INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO SUMMARY

As at 30 November 2020

Investment	Valuation £'000	Cost £'000	% of total assets	% of equity held	% of equity held by other clients ¹
Unlisted					
Rockar 2016 Limited (trading as Rockar)	1,072	980	2.4	5.2	16.4
Horizon Ceremonies Limited	990	660	2.2	3.6	49.1
(formerly Horizon Cremation Limited)					
Bright Network (UK) Limited	971	940	2.2	8.4	29.5
The GP Service (UK) Limited	892	860	2.0	8.4	29.5
CB Technology Group Limited	759	521	1.7	10.6	68.3
Life's Great Group Limited	687	820	1.5	10.0	35.6
(trading as Mojo Mortgages)					
Glacier Energy Services Holdings Limited	643	643	1.4	2.5	25.2
Nano Interactive Group Limited	625	625	1.4	3.7	11.2
e.fundamentals (Group) Limited	600	500	1.3	1.6	9.2
Relative Insight Limited	600	600	1.3	3.2	26.1
Contego Solutions Limited (trading as NorthRow)	598	598	1.3	4.9	27.3
CatTech International Limited	557	299	1.2	2.9	27.2
Push Technology Limited	525	525	1.2	2.8	8.5
Precursive Limited	500	500	1.1	4.3	17.3
Flow UK Holdings Limited	498	498	1.1	6.0	29.0
QikServe Limited	494	494	1.1	2.2	13.6
Whiterock Group Limited	490	321	1.1	5.2	24.8
Vodat Communications Group Limited	476	264	1.1	2.0	24.9
Servoca PLC ²	470	612	1.0	3.0	-
CODILINK UK Limited (trading as Coniq)	450	450	1.0	1.3	3.6
RMEC Group Limited	439	308	1.0	2.0	48.1
Filtered Technologies Limited	435	400	1.0	4.3	22.3
HiveHR Limited	411	350	0.9	7.1	31.8
Boiler Plan (UK) Limited	400	400	0.9	8.2	48.3
Delio Limited	400	400	0.9	2.7	10.8
BioAscent Discovery Limited	392	174	0.9	4.4	35.6
HCS Control Systems Group Limited	373	373	0.8	3.0	33.5
WaterBear Education Limited	348	245	0.8	5.1	34.1
Cambridge Sensors Limited	342	1,184	0.8	13.0	-
ClearStar Inc ²	306	435	0.7	2.1	-
GradTouch Limited	300	400	0.7	5.8	29.7
Hublsoft Group Limited	300	300	0.7	4.7	26.5
RevLifter Limited	300	300	0.7	3.6	14.3
Lending Works Limited	296	349	0.7	2.9	17.5
Ensco 969 Limited (trading as DPP)	292	515	0.6	2.2	32.3
ebb3 Limited	264	206	0.6	4.9	53.7
Growth Capital Ventures Limited	243	233	0.5	4.8	38.3
eSafe Global Limited	201	257	0.4	7.8	43.7
Curo Compensation Limited	200	262	0.4	2.0	17.0
GEN inCode UK Limited	200	200	0.4	2.2	14.4

INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO SUMMARY (CONTINUED)

As at 30 November 2020

Investment	Valuation £'000	Cost £'000	% of total assets	% of equity held	% of equity held by other clients ¹
Unlisted (continued)					
Optoscribe Limited	187	187	0.4	1.5	8.1
MirrorWeb Limited	150	150	0.3	2.1	34.8
Quorum Cyber Security Limited	150	150	0.3	2.6	18.4
Maven Co-invest Endeavour Limited Partnership (invested in Global Risk Partners)	141	1	0.3	5.9	94.1
Shortbite Limited (trading as DigitalBridge)	129	257	0.3	1.1	30.5
Altra Consultants Limited	100	100	0.2	1.7	58.3
The Algorithm People Limited	100	100	0.2	3.3	22.7
ISN Solutions Group Limited	98	250	0.2	3.6	51.4
ADC Biotechnology Limited	97	644	0.2	1.7	7.6
AVID Technology Group Limited	91	364	0.2	1.5	8.4
R&M Engineering Group Limited	80	357	0.2	4.0	66.6
Intilery.com Limited	75	75	0.2	0.8	43.2
Honcho Markets Limited	65	64	0.1	1.2	23.5
Fathom Systems Group Limited	64	593	0.1	6.7	53.3
LightwaveRF PLC ²	40	75	0.1	0.9	0.9
Other unlisted investments	16	2,062			
Total unlisted	20,922	24,430	46.3		
Quoted					
Ideagen PLC	4,371	150	9.8	0.9	0.2
Water Intelligence PLC	1,868	253	4.1	2.0	-
Access Intelligence PLC	648	362	1.4	0.2	-
Concurrent Technologies PLC	419	161	0.9	0.7	-
Vianet Group PLC (formerly Brulines Group PLC)	280	405	0.6	1.2	0.3
Avingtrans PLC	261	54	0.6	0.3	-
K3 Business Technology Group PLC	237	238	0.5	0.6	-
Anpario PLC (formerly Kiotech International PLC)	204	57	0.5	0.2	-
ReNeuron Group PLC	171	150	0.4	0.4	2.1
Netcall PLC	171	26	0.4	0.2	-
Vectura Group PLC	160	75	0.4	0.1	-
Synectics PLC	137	308	0.3	0.8	-
(formerly Quadnetics Group PLC)					
DeepMatter Group PLC	129	201	0.3	0.9	1.5
Renalytix AI PLC	122	-	0.3	-	-
RUA Life Sciences PLC	121	229	0.3	0.5	-
(formerly Aortech International PLC)					
Eden Research PLC	103	83	0.2	0.4	1.1
Avacta Group PLC	101	13	0.2	-	0.1

INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO SUMMARY (CONTINUED)

As at 30 November 2020

Investment	Valuation £'000	Cost £'000	% of total assets	% of equity held	% of equity held by other clients ¹
Quoted (continued)					
Destiny Pharma PLC	97	100	0.2	0.2	1.5
Diurnal Group PLC	94	62	0.2	0.2	0.6
Croma Security Solutions Group PLC	92	433	0.2	0.9	-
Intelligent Ultrasound Group PLC	76	51	0.2	0.2	1.9
Trackwise Design PLC	69	25	0.2	0.1	0.7
C4X Discovery Holdings PLC	61	47	0.1	0.3	1.9
Seeen PLC (formerly Entertainment AI PLC)	58	100	0.1	0.4	1.0
Osirium Technologies PLC	57	100	0.1	1.5	4.4
Dods Group PLC	44	450	0.1	0.3	-
Vertu Motors PLC	26	50	0.1	-	-
Transense Technologies PLC	16	1,188	-	0.3	-
FireAngel Safety Technology Group PLC	15	35	-	0.3	-
(formerly Sprue Aegis PLC)					
Other quoted investments	43	4,690			
Total quoted	10,251	10,096	22.7		
Private equity investment trusts					
HgCapital Trust PLC	430	315	1.1	0.3	1.0
HarbourVest Global Private Equity Limited	369	310	0.8	-	0.1
Princess Private Equity Holding Limited	366	308	0.8	-	0.2
Apax Global Alpha Limited	356	289	0.8	-	0.1
ICG Enterprise Trust PLC	333	324	0.7	-	0.1
BMO Private Equity Trust PLC	276	342	0.6	0.1	0.3
(formerly F&C Private Equity Trust PLC)					
Standard Life Private Equity Trust PLC	272	266	0.6	-	0.1
Pantheon International PLC	246	236	0.5	-	0.1
Total private equity investment trusts	2,648	2,390	5.9		
Total investments	33,821	36,916	74.9		

¹ Other clients of Maven Capital Partners UK LLP.

² This company delisted from AIM.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors submit their report together with the Financial Statements of the Company for the year ended 30 November 2020. A summary of the financial results for the year can be found in the Financial Highlights on pages 4 to 6. The Investment Objective and Investment Policy are disclosed in the Business Report on page 15 and the Board's approach to dividends is summarised in the Chairman's Statement on pages 9 to 13.

Principal Activity and Status

The Company's affairs have been conducted, and will continue to be conducted, in a manner to satisfy the conditions to enable it to continue to obtain approval as a venture capital trust under Section 274 of the Income Tax Act 2007.

During the period under review, the Company maintained its membership of the AIC and its Ordinary Shares are listed on the London Stock Exchange. Further details are provided in the Corporate Summary.

Regulatory Status

The Company is a small registered, internally managed alternative investment fund under the AIFMD. As a venture capital trust pursuant to Section 274 of the Income Tax Act 2007, the rules of the FCA in relation to non-mainstream investment products do not apply to the Company.

Going Concern

The Company's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect its future development and performance, are set out in this Directors' Report and within the Strategic Report. The financial position of the Company is described in the Chairman's Statement. In addition, Note 16 to the Financial Statements includes: the Company's objectives, policies and processes for managing its financial risks; details of its financial instruments; and its exposures to market price risk, interest rate risk, liquidity risk, credit risk and price risk sensitivity. The Directors believe that the Company is well-placed to manage its business risks.

Following a detailed review, and taking into account the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic referred to in the Chairman's Statement on pages 9 to 13 and in the Investment Manager's Review on pages 23 to 34, the Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate financial resources to enable it to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and, accordingly, they have continued to adopt the going concern basis when preparing the Annual Report and Financial Statements.

Viability Statement

In accordance with Provision 31 of the UK Corporate Governance Code, published in July 2018 and Provision 36 of the AIC Code of Corporate Governance, published in February 2019, the Board has assessed the Company's prospects and risks for the five-year period to 30 November 2025. This five-year period is considered appropriate for a VCT business of its size when considering the principal and emerging risks facing the Company during the Board's annual strategy sessions and the legislative environment within which it has to operate.

In considering and making this statement, the Board carried out a robust assessment of the principal and emerging risks facing the Company as highlighted in the Business Report on pages 15 to 17, including those that might threaten its business model, future performance, solvency, or degree of liquidity within the portfolio.

The Board considered the Company's ability to raise new funds and invest those proceeds. The Board's assessment also took account of the availability and likely effectiveness of the mitigating actions that could be taken to avoid or reduce the impact of the underlying risks, including the Manager adapting its investment process to take account of the more restrictive VCT rules. The Board also considered the quality of the current portfolio and the Manager's ability to source and secure new investment opportunities. As highlighted in the Chairman's Statement on page 13, the Board considers the Company's future to be positive.

The Board focused on the major factors that affect the economic, regulatory and political environment, including the COVID-19 pandemic, the UK's decision to leave the EU and the potential impact on the EU State Aid Rules.

The Board also reviewed the Company's cash flow projections and underlying assumptions for the five years to 30 November 2025 and considered them to be realistic and fair.

Based on the Company's processes for monitoring income and expenses, share price discount, ongoing review of the investment objective and policy, asset allocation, sector weightings and portfolio risk profile, the Board has concluded that there is a reasonable expectation that the Company will be able to continue in operation and meet its liabilities as they fall due over the five years ending 30 November 2025.

Financial Instruments

The Company's financial instruments comprise its investment portfolio, cash balances and debtors and creditors that arise directly from its operations, including accrued income and purchases and sales awaiting settlement. The main risks that the Company faces arising from its financial instruments are disclosed in Note 16 to the Financial Statements.

Global Greenhouse Gas Emissions

The Company has no greenhouse gas emissions to report from its operations, nor does it have responsibility for any other emissions producing sources under the Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Directors' Report) Regulations 2013.

Corporate Governance

The Statement of Corporate Governance, which forms part of this Directors' Report, is shown on pages 54 to 58.

Directors

Biographies of the Directors who held office during the Company's financial year and at the year end are shown in the Your Board section of this Annual Report along with their interests in the shares of the Company, which are also shown below. No Director has a service contract with the Company and no contract or arrangement significant to the Company's business and in which any of the Directors is interested has subsisted during the year.

As referred to in the Directors' Remuneration Report on page 51, the Company has in place Directors' and Officers' liability insurance. In addition, the Company has entered into deeds of indemnity in favour of each of the Directors. The deeds of indemnity give each Director the benefit of an indemnity, out of the assets and profits of the Company, to the extent permitted by the Companies Act 2006 and subject to certain limitations against liabilities incurred by each of them in the execution of their duties and exercise of the powers as Directors of the Company. A copy of each deed of indemnity is available for inspection at the Company's principal place of business during normal working hours and will be available for inspection at the AGM.

As explained in more detail in the Statement of Corporate Governance, the Board has agreed that all Directors will retire annually and seek re-election. Therefore, each Director, in accordance with the Codes, will retire at the 2021 AGM and, being eligible, offer himself for re-election. The Board confirms that, following a formal process of evaluation, the performance of each Director continues to be effective and all Directors have demonstrated commitment to the role.

Graham Miller's communication skills enable him to serve the Company as a strong Chairman. His many years' experience in private equity, holding senior executive positions on other boards and his leadership skills, provide him with the ability required to encourage discussion in the boardroom and ensure that clear decisions are reached and subsequently carried out.

Gordon Humphries is a Chartered Accountant with over 30 years' experience in financial services, particularly with regard to investment trusts. His experience and knowledge of the sector in which the Company operates ensures that he brings recent and relevant financial experience to the Board and is able to lead the Audit and Risk Committees effectively. As Chairman of both Committees, he initiates appropriate challenge around valuations, the control environment and engages directly with the Company's Auditor to ensure that the annual audit is performed to a satisfactory level and that the process is completed to the required level of detail.

Charles Young is a Chartered Accountant and has a law degree. His background in corporate finance and private equity is highly relevant to his role as a Director and allows him to be a valued contributor to Board discussions.

The Board believes that, for the above reasons, the contribution of each Director continues to be important to the continued long-term success of the Company, as the combined skills and experience ensure a balanced Board of Directors with a wealth of knowledge and understanding in the key areas that are relevant to the Company. It is, therefore, believed to be in the best interests of Shareholders that all Directors be re-elected and resolutions to this effect will be proposed at the 2021 AGM.

Directors' Interests

The Directors who held office during the year and who were in office as at the date of this Annual Report, together with their interests in the share capital of the Company, are as follows:

	30 November 2020 Ordinary Shares of 10p each	30 November 2019 Ordinary Shares of 10p each
Graham Miller (Chairman)	-	-
Gordon Humphries	76,522	75,940
Allister Langlands ¹	N/A	695,465
Charles Young	89,443	89,443
Total	165,965	860,848

¹ Retired from the Board on 28 April 2020.

Subsequent to the year end, Graham Miller and Gordon Humphries acquired 68,719 and 13,743 shares, respectively, on 2 March 2021, under the Company's Offer for Subscription. There is no requirement for Directors to hold shares in the Company. All of the interests shown above are beneficial and as at 12 March 2021, being the last practicable date prior to the publication of this Annual Report, there have been no further changes to them since the end of the Company's financial year.

Conflicts of Interest

Each Director has a statutory duty to avoid a situation where he has, or could have, a direct or indirect interest which conflicts, or may conflict, with the interests of the Company. A Director will not be in breach of that duty if the relevant matter has been authorised by the Board in accordance with the Company's Articles and this includes any co-investment made by the Directors in entities in which the Company also has an interest.

The Board has approved a protocol for identifying and dealing with conflicts and has resolved to conduct a regular review of actual or possible conflicts. No new material conflicts or potential conflicts were identified during the year.

Substantial Interests

At 30 November 2020, the only holders known to the Company who, directly or indirectly, were interested in 3% or more of the Company's issued share capital were as follows:

Company	Holding	Issued Capital %
Hargreaves Lansdown (Nominees) Limited - HLNOM ACCT	6,391,776	5.12
Barclays Direct Investing Nominees Limited - CLIENT1 ACCT	4,183,244	3.35
UBS Private Banking Nominees Limited - MAINPOOL ACCT	4,021,415	3.22
Pershing Nominees Limited - IMCLT ACCT	3,750,321	3.00

At 12 March 2021, being the last practicable date prior to the publication of this Annual Report, the only holders known to the Company who, directly or indirectly, were interested in 3% or more of the Company's issued share capital were as follows:

Company	Holding	Issued Capital %
Hargreaves Lansdown (Nominees) Limited - HLNOM ACCT	6,657,116	4.48
UBS Private Banking Nominees Limited - MAINPOOL ACCT	6,645,564	4.48

Manager and Secretary

Maven Capital Partners UK LLP (Maven) acted as Manager and Secretary to the Company during the year ended 30 November 2020 and details of the investment management and secretarial fees are detailed in Notes 3 and 4 to the Financial Statements respectively.

The principal terms of the Management and Administration Deed agreed with Maven are as follows:

Termination provisions

The agreement is capable of termination by the giving of twelve months' notice by either the Company or the Manager. Furthermore, the Company may terminate the agreement without compensation due if:

- a receiver, liquidator or administrator of the Manager is appointed;
- the Manager commits any material breach of the provisions of the agreement; or
- the Manager ceases to be authorised to carry out Investment Business.

Management and administration fees

Under the Management and Administration Deed, the investment management and secretarial fees payable to Maven are charged on the following basis:

- from 1 December 2019, a base investment management fee of 1.675% of net asset value, increasing to 1.75% of net asset value from 1 December 2020, payable quarterly in arrears;
- an annual administration fee of £88,000 (2019: £86,000) per annum payable quarterly in arrears and subject to an annual adjustment, calculated on 1 March each year, to reflect any change in the retail prices index; and
- a cap on total expenses of 3.25% of net assets per annum, adjusted annually and excluding performance fees and exceptional costs, such as regulatory and compliance costs.

Performance related incentive fee

The Company has performance incentive arrangements that reward Maven for achieving positive returns on the legacy portfolio and realised capital gains on new investments. These entitle the Manager to receive:

- a sum equivalent to 12.5% of the total return over cost generated by each new private equity investment made by the Manager that achieves a realisation, adjusted for any realised losses incurred in respect of other new investments and subject to an annual hurdle of 4% on the new investments realised;
- a sum equivalent to 7.5% of the total return over the base date valuation generated by inherited private equity investments that achieve a realisation, adjusted for any realised losses incurred in respect of other inherited private company investments; and
- a sum equivalent to 7.5% of any annual increase in the value of the inherited quoted portfolio.

The base date for the valuation of the inherited investments was set at 28 February 2011 and the value for these investments is subsequently recalculated as at 30 November each year from 2012 onwards. In the case of the inherited quoted portfolio, a high watermark is re-set on each occasion that a fee becomes payable.

Independent of these arrangements, Maven may also receive, from investee companies, fees in relation to arranging transactions, monitoring of business progress and for providing non-executive directors for their boards.

In light of investment performance achieved by the Manager, together with the standard of company secretarial and administrative services provided, the Board considers that the continued appointment of Maven as Manager and Secretary on the stated terms is in the best interests of the Company and its Shareholders.

In the period to 11 October 2018, to ensure that the Manager's staff were appropriately incentivised in relation to the management of the portfolio, a co-investment scheme allowed individuals to participate in investment in portfolio companies alongside the Company. On 11 October 2018, the co-investment scheme was suspended temporarily, pending a review by the Manager. That review has now been completed and it was agreed to re-introduce the co-investment scheme with effect from 5 March 2021, with the terms of participation unchanged from those in place previously. Under the terms and conditions of the co-investment scheme, all investments will be made through a nominee and under terms agreed by the Board. The terms of the scheme ensure that all investments will be made on identical terms to those of the Company and that no selection of investments by participants will be allowed. Total investment by participants in the co-investing executives, except where the only securities to be acquired by the Company are those quoted on AIM, in which case the co-investment percentage is 1.5%. Given the relatively low equity participation in each private company investment, any dilution of the Company's interests is, therefore, minimal and the Directors believe that the scheme provides a useful incentive that closely aligns the interests of key individuals within the Manager's staff with those of the Company's Shareholders.

It should be noted that, as at 12 March 2021, Maven Capital Partners UK LLP and certain of its executives held, in aggregate, 4,865,379 of the Company's Ordinary Shares of 10p each (3.3% of the Ordinary Shares in issue).

Independent Auditor

The Directors are of the view that the Company's Independent Auditor, Deloitte LLP, should continue in office and Resolution 7 to propose its re-appointment will be proposed at the 2021 AGM, along with Resolution 8, to authorise the Directors to fix its remuneration. No non-audit fees for tax services were paid to Deloitte LLP during the year under review (2019: £4,000 (inclusive of VAT) for tax services). The Directors have received confirmation from the Auditor that it remains independent and objective. The Directors remain satisfied that objectivity and independence are being safeguarded by Deloitte LLP.

Directors' Disclosure of Information to the Auditor

So far as the Directors who held office at the date of approval of this Annual Report are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006) of which the Company's Auditor is unaware, and each of the Directors has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a Director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's Auditor is aware of that information.

Purchase of Ordinary Shares

During the year ended 30 November 2020, the Company bought back a total of 2,179,028 Ordinary Shares (2019: 2,035,000) for cancellation, representing 1.74% of the issued share capital as at 11 March 2020, being the last practicable date prior to the publication of the previous annual report. Subsequent to the year end, a further 700,000 Ordinary Shares were bought back for cancellation.

A Special Resolution, numbered 11 in the Notice of Annual General Meeting, will be put to Shareholders at the 2021 AGM for their approval to renew the Company's authority to purchase in the market a maximum of 22,226,859 Ordinary Shares (14.99% of the shares in issue at 12 March 2021). Such authority will expire on the date of the AGM in 2022 or after a period of 15 months from the date of the passing of the Resolution, whichever is the earlier.

Purchases of shares will be made within guidelines established from time to time by the Board, but only if it is considered that such purchases would be to the advantage of the Company and its Shareholders when taken as a whole. Purchases will be made in the market at prices below the prevailing NAV per share. Under the FCA Listing Rules, the maximum price that may be paid on the exercise of this authority must not exceed 105% of the average of the mid-market quotations for the shares over the five business days immediately preceding the date of purchase. The minimum price that may be paid is 10p per share. In making purchases, the Company will deal only with member firms of the London Stock Exchange. Any shares which are purchased shall either be cancelled or held in treasury.

Purchases of shares by the Company will be made from distributable reserves and will normally be paid out of cash balances held by the Company from time to time. As any purchases will be made at a discount to NAV at the time of purchase, the NAV of the remaining Ordinary Shares in issue should increase as a result of any such purchase. Shares will not be purchased by the Company in the period from the end of the Company's relevant financial period up to and including the earlier of an announcement of all price sensitive information in respect of the relevant period or the release of the full results.

Issue of New Ordinary Shares

During the year under review, 148,790 new Ordinary Shares were allotted pursuant to the Company's Dividend Investment Scheme. Subsequent to the year end, 24,921,994 new Ordinary Shares were allotted pursuant to the Company's Offer for Subscription. An Ordinary Resolution, numbered 9 in the Notice of Annual General Meeting, will be put to Shareholders at the 2021 AGM for their approval for the Company to issue up to an aggregate nominal amount of £1,482,779 (equivalent to 14,827,790 Ordinary Shares or 10% of the total issued share capital at 12 March 2021).

Issues of new Ordinary Shares may only be made at, or at a premium to, NAV per share, thus ensuring existing investors will not be disadvantaged by such issues. The proceeds of any issue may be used to purchase the Company's shares in the market or to fund further investments in accordance with the Company's investment policy. This authority shall expire either at the conclusion of the AGM in 2022 or on the expiry of 15 months from the passing of the Resolution, whichever is the first to occur.

When shares are to be allotted for cash, Section 561(1) of the Companies Act 2006 provides that existing Shareholders have pre-emption rights and that the new shares are offered first to such Shareholders in proportion to their existing shareholdings. However, Shareholders can, by special resolution, authorise the Directors to allot shares otherwise than by a pro rata issue to existing Shareholders.

A Special Resolution, numbered 10 in the Notice of Annual General Meeting, will, if passed, give the Directors power to allot for cash, Ordinary Shares up to an aggregate nominal amount of £1,482,779 (equivalent to 14,827,790 Ordinary Shares or 10% of the total issued share capital at 12 March 2021) as if Section 561(1) does not apply. This is the same amount of share capital that the Directors are seeking the authority to allot pursuant to Resolution 9. The authority will also expire either at the conclusion of the AGM of the Company in 2022 or on the expiry of 15 months from the passing of the Resolution, whichever is the first to occur.

Share Capital and Voting Rights

As at 30 November 2020, the Company's share capital amounted to 124,055,920 Ordinary Shares of 10p each. Further details are included in Note 12 to the Financial Statements. Subsequent to the year end, the Company allotted 24,921,994 new Ordinary Shares under the Offer for Subscription and bought back 700,000 Ordinary Shares for cancellation. As a result, as at 12 March 2021, being the latest practicable date before the publication of this Annual Report, the Company's share capital amounted to 148,277,914 Ordinary Shares.

There are no restrictions on the transfer of Ordinary Shares in the Company issued by the Company, or their related voting rights, other than certain restrictions which may from time to time be imposed by law (for example, the Market Abuse Regulation). The Company is not aware of any agreement between Shareholders that may result in a transfer of securities and/or voting rights.

Significant Agreements and Related Party Transactions

The Company is not aware of any significant agreements to which it is a party that take effect, alter or terminate upon a change of control of the Company following a takeover. Other than the Management and Administration Deed, further details of which are set out on pages 46 and 47, the Company is not aware of any contractual or other agreements which are essential to its business and that could reasonably be expected to be disclosed in the Directors' Report.

Other than those set out in this Directors' Report, there are no further related party transactions that require to be disclosed.

Post Balance Sheet Events

The Directors have proposed a final dividend of 1.10p per Ordinary Share, in respect of the year ended 30 November 2020. The final dividend will be paid on 7 May 2021 to Shareholders on the register at 9 April 2021.

Other than those referred to above and in the Strategic Report, there have been no events since 30 November 2020 that require disclosure.

Future Developments

An indication of the Company's future developments can be found in the Chairman's Statement on page 13 and in the Investment Manager's Review on page 34, which highlights the Board and the Manager's commitment to providing returns to Shareholders and delivering the Company's investment strategy.

Annual General Meeting and Directors' Recommendation

The AGM will be held on 27 April 2021 and the Notice of Annual General Meeting is on pages 88 to 94 of this Annual Report. The Notice of Annual General Meeting also contains a Resolution that seeks authority for the Directors to convene a general meeting, other than an annual general meeting, on not less than fourteen days' clear notice, although it is anticipated that such authority would only be exercised under exceptional circumstances.

As highlighted in the Chairman's Statement, in light of Government advice against all non-essential travel and maintaining social distancing, Shareholders will be unable to attend the AGM in person. Therefore, the Board encourages Shareholders to vote at the AGM using a hard copy proxy form, via CREST, or electronically using the Registrar's Share Portal Service at **www.signalshares.com**. Please refer to the notes to the Notice of Annual General Meeting on pages 90 to 94 of this Annual Report.

The Directors consider that all of the Resolutions to be put to the AGM are in the best interests of the Company and its Shareholders as a whole.

Authorised for issue by the Board Maven Capital Partners UK LLP Secretary

15 March 2021

DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION REPORT

Statement by the Remuneration Committee

This report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. An Ordinary Resolution for the approval of this report will be put to the members of the Company at the forthcoming AGM. The law requires the Company's Auditor to audit certain of the disclosures provided. Where disclosures have been audited, they are indicated as such and the Auditor's opinion is included in their report on pages 64 to 71. This report includes a section on the Company's policy for the remuneration of its Directors.

The Board has established a Remuneration Committee comprising all the Directors, with Charles Young as its Chairman. As all of the Directors are non-executive, the Principles of the UK Corporate Governance Code in respect of executive directors' remuneration do not apply.

At 30 November 2020, and as at the date of this Annual Report, the Company had three non-executive Directors and their biographies are shown in the Your Board section of this Annual Report. The names of the Directors who served during the year together with the fees paid during the year are shown in the table on page 52.

The dates of appointment of the Directors in office as at 30 November 2020 and the dates on which they will next be proposed for re-election are as follows:

	Date of original appointment	Due date for re-election
Graham Miller	2 July 2019	27 April 2021
Gordon Humphries	7 February 2006	27 April 2021
Charles Young	1 June 2013	27 April 2021

During the year ended 30 November 2020, the Board was not provided with advice or services by any person in respect of its consideration of the Directors' remuneration. However, in the application of the Board's policy on Directors' remuneration, as defined below, the Committee expects, from time to time, to review the fees paid to the directors of other venture capital trust companies.

During the year ended 30 November 2019, the Remuneration Committee carried out a review of the remuneration policy and the level of Directors' fees and recommended that, with effect from 1 December 2019, the rates of remuneration should be revised to: £23,700 for the Chairman; £22,200 for the Chairman of the Audit Committee; and £19,600 for each other Director. During the year ended 30 November 2020, the Remuneration Committee carried out a further review of the remuneration policy and the level of Directors' fees and recommended that the rates of remuneration should remain unchanged and will remain at the level agreed from 1 December 2019 for the year to 30 November 2021.

The Committee considered that the total Directors' remuneration is reasonable when compared with other similar VCTs.

Directors' Interests (audited)

The Directors' interests in the share capital of the Company are shown in the Directors' Report on page 46. There is no requirement for Directors to hold shares in the Company.

Remuneration Policy

The Company's policy is that the remuneration of the Directors, all of whom are non-executive, should reflect the experience of the Board as a whole and be fair and comparable to that of other VCTs with a similar capital structure and similar investment objectives. Directors are remunerated in the form of fees, payable quarterly in arrears, to the Director personally or to a third party specified by him. The fees for the Directors are determined within the limits set out in the Company's Articles which limit the aggregate of the fees payable to the Directors to £102,903 per annum (as varied by the UK Retail Prices Index from year to year) and the approval of Shareholders at a general meeting would be required to change this limit.

It is intended that the fees payable to the Directors should reflect their duties, responsibilities, and the value and amount of time committed to the Company's affairs, and should also be sufficient to enable candidates of a high quality to be recruited and retained. Non-executive Directors do not receive bonuses, pension benefits, share options, long-term incentive schemes or other benefits, and the fees are not specifically related to the Directors' performance, either individually or collectively. A copy of this Remuneration Policy may be inspected by the members of the Company at its registered office.

It is the Board's intention that the above Remuneration Policy will be put to a Shareholders' vote at least once every three years and, as a Resolution was approved at the AGM held in 2020, an Ordinary Resolution for its approval for the three years to 30 November 2025 will next be proposed at the AGM to be held in 2023.

At the AGM held in April 2020, the result in respect of the Ordinary Resolution to approve the Directors' Remuneration Policy for the period to 30 November 2022 was as follows:

	Percentage of	Percentage of	Number of
	votes cast for	votes cast against	votes withheld
Remuneration Policy	97.39	2.61	244,604

Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance

The Company purchases and maintains liability insurance covering the Directors and Officers of the Company. This insurance is not a benefit in kind, nor does it form part of the Directors' remuneration.

Company Performance

The Board is responsible for the Company's investment strategy and performance, although the day-to-day management of the Company's investment portfolio is delegated to the Manager through the Management and Administration Deed, as referred to in the Directors' Report.

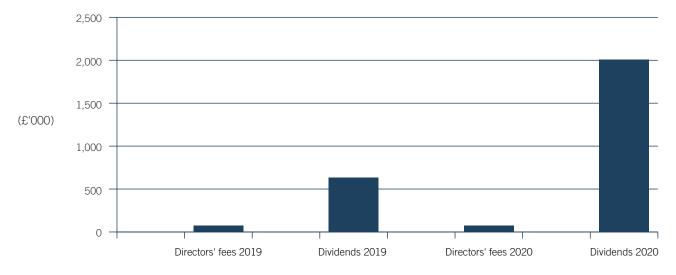
The graph below compares the total returns (excluding tax relief) on an investment of £100 in the Ordinary Shares of the Company, for each annual accounting period for the ten years to 30 November 2020, assuming all dividends are reinvested, with the total shareholder return on a notional investment of £100 made up of shares of the same kind and number as those by reference to which the FTSE AIM All-Share index is calculated. This index was chosen for comparison purposes as it is the most relevant to the Company's investment portfolio.



Source: Maven Capital Partners UK LLP/London Stock Exchange/IRESS. Please note that past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance.

Relative Cost of Directors' Remuneration

The chart below shows, for the years ended 30 November 2019 and 30 November 2020, the cost of Directors' fees compared with the level of dividend distribution.



As noted in the Strategic Report, all of the Directors are non-executive and, therefore, the Company does not have a chief executive officer, nor does it have any employees. In the absence of a chief executive officer or employees, there is no related information to disclose.

Directors' Remuneration (audited)

The Directors who served during the year received the following emoluments in the form of fees:

	Year ended 30 November 2020 £	Year ended 30 November 2019 £
Graham Miller ¹ (Chairman)	22,018	7,866
Gordon Humphries (Audit Committee Chairman)	22,200	21,500
Allister Langlands ²	9,725	23,000
Charles Young	19,600	19,000
Total	73,543	71,366

^{1.} Graham Miller was appointed to the Board on 2 July 2019 and was appointed Chairman on 28 April 2020.

² Allister Langlands retired as Chairman and from the Board on 28 April 2020.

The above amounts exclude any employers' national insurance contributions, if applicable. No other forms of remuneration were received by the Directors and no Director received any taxable expenses, compensation for loss of office or non-cash benefit for the year ended 30 November 2020 (2019: £nil).

The Company does not have any employees and Directors' remuneration comprises solely of Directors' fees. The current and projected Directors' fees for the year ended 30 November 2020 and the year ending 30 November 2021 are shown below.

	Year ended 30 November 2020 £	Year ending 30 November 2021 £
Graham Miller ¹ (Chairman)	22,018	23,700
Gordon Humphries (Audit Committee Chairman)	22,200	22,200
Allister Langlands ²	9,725	N/A
Charles Young	19,600	19,600
Total	73,543	65,500

¹ Graham Miller was appointed Chairman following the conclusion of the 2020 AGM.

² Allister Langlands retired as Chairman and from the Board on 28 April 2020.

Directors do not have service contracts, but new Directors are provided with a letter of appointment. The terms of appointment provide that Directors should retire and be subject to election at the first AGM after their appointment. Copies of the Directors' letters of appointment will be available for inspection at the Company's AGM. The Company's Articles require all Directors to retire by rotation at least every three years and that any Director who has served on the Board for more than nine years will offer himself for re-election annually. However, the Board has agreed that all Directors will retire annually and, if appropriate, seek re-election.

There is no notice period and no provision for compensation upon early termination of appointment, save for any arrears of fees which may be due.

During the year ended 30 November 2020, no communication was received from Shareholders regarding Directors' remuneration. The Remuneration Policy and the level of fees payable is reviewed annually by the Remuneration Committee.

At the AGM held in April 2020, the result in respect of the Ordinary Resolution to approve the Directors' Remuneration Report for the year ended 30 November 2019 was as follows:

	Percentage of	Percentage of	Number of
	votes cast for	votes cast against	votes withheld
Remuneration Report	97.39	2.61	241,604

An Ordinary Resolution to approve the Directors' Remuneration Report for the year ended 30 November 2020 will be proposed at the AGM to be held in 2021.

Approval

The Directors' Remuneration Report was approved by the Board of Directors and signed on its behalf by:

Charles Young Director 15 March 2021

STATEMENT OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company is committed to, and is accountable to the Company's Shareholders for, a high standard of corporate governance. The Board has put in place a framework for corporate governance that it believes is appropriate for a venture capital trust and which enables it to comply with the UK Corporate Governance Code (the UK Code). The UK Code is available from the website of the Financial Reporting Council (FRC) at www.frc.org.uk.

During the year under review, the Company was a member of the AIC, which published a revised version of its own Code of Corporate Governance (the AIC Code) in February 2019 and applies to accounting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2019. The Board wishes to align with the AIC Code and is, therefore, adopting its principles and reports on compliance with these below. The AIC Code provides a comprehensive guide to best practice in certain areas of governance where the specific characteristics of investment trusts or venture capital trusts suggest alternative approaches to those set out in the UK Code.

The key notable changes to the AIC Code include:

- a new requirement for the annual re-election of all directors to all investment companies;
- a new requirement that a board should understand the views of the company's key stakeholders and describe in the annual report how their interests and the matters set out in Section 172 of the Companies Act 2006 (the duty to promote the success of the company) have been considered in board discussions and decision making;
- the chairman of an investment company may now remain in post beyond nine years from the date of first appointment by the board. Notwithstanding this more flexible approach, the board is required to determine and disclose a policy on the tenure of the chairman.

The AIC Code is available from the AIC website at **www.theaic.co.uk**. This Statement of Corporate Governance forms part of the Directors' Report.

Application of the Main Principles of the AIC Code

This statement describes how the main principles identified in the AIC Code have been applied by the Company throughout the year, as is required by the Listing Rules of the FCA. The Board has considered the Principles and Provisions of the AIC Code, which address the Principles and Provisions set out in the UK Code, as well as setting out additional Provisions on issues that are of specific relevance to the Company. The Board considers that reporting against the Principles and Provisions of the AIC Code, which has been endorsed by the FRC, provides more relevant information to Shareholders. The endorsement by the FRC means that by reporting against the AIC Code, the Company is meeting its obligations under the UK Code and the associated disclosure requirements of the Listing Rules, and as such does not need to report further on issues contained in the UK Code which are irrelevant to them. These include:

- Provision 9 (dual role of chairman and chief executive);
- Provision 19 (tenure of the chair);
- Provision 25 (internal audit function); and
- Provision 33 (executive remuneration).

The Board is of the opinion that the Company has complied fully with the main principles identified in the AIC Code, except as set out below:

• Provision 14 (senior independent director).

A senior independent non-executive Director has not been appointed as the Board considers that each Director has different qualities and areas of expertise on which they may lead.

The Board

The Board currently consists of three male Directors, all of whom are non-executive and considered to be independent of the investment manager (Maven Capital Partners UK LLP, Maven, or the Manager) and free of any relationship which could materially interfere with the exercise of their independent judgement. The biographies of the Directors appear in the Your Board section of this Annual Report and indicate their high level and range of investment, industrial, commercial and professional experience.

The Board sets the Company's values and objectives and ensures that its obligations to Shareholders are met. It has formally adopted a schedule of matters which are required to be brought to it for decision, thus ensuring that it maintains full and effective control over appropriate strategic, financial, operational and compliance issues. These matters include:

- the appointment and removal of the Manager and the terms and conditions of any management and administration agreements;
- the maintenance of clear investment objectives and risk management policies;
- the monitoring of the business activities of the Company;
- Companies Act requirements such as the approval of the interim and annual financial statements and the approval and recommendation of interim and final dividends;
- major changes relating to the Company's structure, including share buy-backs and share issues;
- Board appointments and related matters;
- terms of reference and membership of Board Committees; and
- The London Stock Exchange and Financial Conduct Authority matters, such as approval of all circulars, listing particulars and releases concerning matters decided by the Board.

As required by the Companies Act 2006 and permitted by the Articles, Directors notify the Company of any situation which might give rise to the potential for a conflict of interest, so that the Board may consider and, if appropriate, approve such situations. A register of potential conflicts of interest for Directors is reviewed regularly by the Board and the Directors notify the Company whenever there is a change in the nature of a registered conflict, or whenever a new conflict situation arises.

Following the implementation of the Bribery Act 2010, the Board adopted appropriate procedures.

There is an agreed procedure for Directors to take independent professional advice, if necessary, at the Company's expense.

The Directors have access to the advice and services of the Secretary through its appointed representatives who are responsible to the Board for:

- ensuring that Board procedures are complied with;
- under the direction of the Chairman, ensuring good information flows within the Board and its Committees; and
- advising on corporate governance matters.

An induction meeting will be arranged by the Manager on the appointment of any new Director, covering details about the Company, the Manager, legal responsibilities and venture capital industry matters. Directors are provided, on a regular basis, with key information on the Company's policies, regulatory and statutory requirements and internal controls. Changes affecting Directors' responsibilities are advised to the Board as they arise.

Graham Miller is Chairman of the Company and Chairman of the Management Engagement and Nomination Committees. as the other Directors consider that he has the skills and experience relevant to these roles. Graham Miller was independent of the Manager at the time of his appointment as a Director on 2 July 2019 and as Chairman on 28 April 2020 and continues to be so by virtue of his lack of connection with the Manager and the absence of cross-directorships with his fellow Directors. Gordon Humphries is Chairman of the Audit and Risk Committees. Charles Young is Chairman of the Remuneration Committee.

The Board meets at least four times each year and, between meetings, maintains regular contact with the Manager. The primary focus of quarterly Board Meetings is a review of investment performance and related matters including asset allocation, peer group information and industry issues. During the year ended 30 November 2020, the Board held fourteen Board Meetings and three Committee Meetings. In addition, there were two meetings of the Audit Committee, five meetings of the Risk Committee, two meetings of the Management Engagement Committee and one meeting each of the Nomination Committee.

	Board	Board Committee	Audit Committee	Management Engagement Committee	Nomination Committee	Remuneration Committee	Risk Committee
Allister Langlands ²	5 (5)	1 (1)	1 (1)	1 (1)	-	-	2 (2)
Gordon Humphries	14 (14)	3 (3)	2 (2)	2 (2)	1(1)	1(1)	5 (5)
Graham Miller	14 (14)	3 (3)	2 (2)	2 (2)	1(1)	1(1)	5 (5)
Charles Young	14 (14)	3 (3)	2 (2)	2 (2)	1(1)	1 (1)	5 (5)

Directors have attended Board and Committee Meetings during the year ended 30 November 2020¹ as follows:

¹ The number of meetings which the Directors were eligible to attend is in brackets.

² Allister Langlands retired from the Board on 28 April 2020.

To enable the Board to function effectively and allow Directors to discharge their responsibilities, full and timely access is given to all relevant information. In the case of Board Meetings, this consists of a comprehensive set of papers, including the Manager's review and discussion documents regarding specific matters. The Directors make further enquiries when necessary.

The Board and its Committees have undertaken a process for their annual performance evaluation, using questionnaires and discussion to ensure that Directors have devoted sufficient time and contributed adequately to the work of the Board and its Committees and to consider each Director's independence. The Chairman is subject to evaluation by his fellow Directors.

In addition, the Board also uses the process to assess and monitor its culture and behaviour, to ensure it is aligned with the Company's purpose, value and strategy.

Directors' Terms of Appointment

The Company's Articles require all Directors to retire by rotation at least every three years and that any Director who has served on the Board for more than nine years will offer himself for re-election annually. However, in accordance with the Codes, the Board has agreed that all Directors will retire annually and, if appropriate, seek re-election.

Policy on Tenure

The Board subscribes to the view expressed in the AIC Code that long-serving Directors should not be prevented from forming part of an independent majority. It does not consider that a Director's tenure necessarily reduces his ability to act independently and, following formal performance evaluations, believes that each Director is independent in character and judgement and that there are no relationships or circumstances which are likely to affect the judgement of any Director.

The Board's policy on tenure is that continuity and experience are considered to add significantly to the strength of the Board and, as such, no limit on the overall length of service of any of the Company's Directors, including the Chairman, has been imposed. The policy on tenure and independence of each Director is reviewed on an annual basis, before the re-election of any Director is recommended and the Board considers the need for regular refreshment of the Directors prior to doing so. The Company has no executive Directors or employees.

Committees

Each of the Committees has been established with written terms of reference and comprises the full Board, the members of which are all independent and free from any relationship that would interfere with important judgement in carrying out their responsibilities. The terms of reference of each of the Committees, which are available on request from the Registered Office of the Company, are reviewed and re-assessed for their adequacy at each meeting.

Audit Committee

The Audit Committee is chaired by Gordon Humphries and comprises all independent Directors. The role and responsibilities of the Committee are detailed in the joint report by the Audit and Risk Committees.

Management Engagement Committee

The Management Engagement Committee, which comprises all of the independent Directors and is chaired by Graham Miller is responsible for the annual review of the management contract with the Manager, details of which are shown in the Directors' Report. Two meetings were held during the year ended 30 November 2020, at which the Committee recommended to the Board a new fee arrangement and the continued appointment of Maven Capital Partners UK LLP as Manager of the Company.

Nomination Committee

The Nomination Committee, which comprises all of the independent Directors and is chaired by Graham Miller, held one meeting during the year ended 30 November 2020. In line with the requirements of the AIC Code, the terms of reference state that the Chairman will not chair the Committee when it is dealing with the appointment of his successor. The Committee makes recommendations to the Board on the following matters:

- the evaluation of the performance of the Board (including its Chairman) and its Committees, and supports the Chairman of the Board in acting on the results of the evaluation process;
- the review of the composition, skills, knowledge, experience and diversity of the Board;
- succession planning;
- the identification and nomination of candidates to fill Board vacancies, as and when they arise, considering candidates from a wide range of backgrounds in order to promote diversity of gender, social and ethnic background, cognitive and personal strengths, for the approval of the Board;
- the tenure and re-appointment of any non-executive Director at the conclusion of their specified term of office;
- the re-election by Shareholders of any Director on an annual basis, having due regard to the provisions of the AIC Code, the Director's performance and ability to contribute to the Board and the long-term success of the Company;
- the continuation in office of any Director at any time; and
- the appointment of any Director to another office, such as Chairman of the Audit Committee, other than to the position of Chairman of the Company.

At its meeting in October 2020, the Committee reviewed the knowledge, experience and skills of all Directors. The Board noted that each of the Directors was valued and that they were deemed to enhance the skills and knowledge base of the Board, enabling it to carry out its functions more effectively with each Director contributing to the long-term success of the Company. The Committee recommended to the Board that all Directors be nominated for re-election and accordingly, Resolutions 4 to 6 will be put to the 2021 AGM.

The performance of the Board, Committees and individual Directors was evaluated through an assessment process, led by the Chairman and the performance of the Chairman was evaluated by the other Directors. While the Company does not have a formal policy on diversity, Board diversity forms part of the considerations of the Committee.

No external search consultancy was used by the Company during the year ended 30 November 2020.

Remuneration Committee

Where a venture capital trust has only non-executive directors, the UK Code principles relating to directors' remuneration do not apply. However, in line with the requirements of the AIC Code, the Company does have a Remuneration Committee, comprising the full Board and which is chaired by Charles Young. The Committee held one meeting during the year ended 30 November 2020 to review the policy for, and the level of, Directors' Remuneration.

The level of remuneration of the Directors has been set in order to attract and retain individuals of a calibre appropriate to the future development of the Company. Details of the remuneration of each Director and the Company's policy on Directors' Remuneration are provided in the Directors' Remuneration Report on pages 50 to 53.

Risk Committee

The Risk Committee is chaired by Gordon Humphries and comprises all independent Directors. The role and responsibilities of the Committee are detailed in the joint report by the Audit and Risk Committees.

External Agencies

The Board has contractually delegated to external agencies, including the Manager, certain services: the management of the investment portfolio; the custodial services (which include the safeguarding of assets); the registration services; and the day-to-day accounting and company secretarial requirements. Each of these contracts was entered into after full and proper consideration by the Board of the quality and cost of services offered. The Board receives and considers reports from the Manager and other external agencies on a regular basis. In addition, ad hoc reports and information are supplied to the Board as requested.

Corporate Governance, Stewardship and Proxy Voting

The FRC published the revised UK Stewardship Code 2020 in October 2019 and it took effect for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2020. The purpose of the Stewardship Code is to enhance the quality of engagement between institutional investors and companies to help improve long-term returns to shareholders and assist institutional investors in the efficient exercise of their governance responsibilities. The Board is considering the implications of the revised code and will look to report against it in the future.

The Board is aware of its duty to act in the interests of the Company and the Directors believe that the exercise of voting rights lies at the heart of regulation and the promotion of good corporate governance. The Directors, through the Manager, encourage companies in which investments are made to adhere to best practice in the area of corporate governance. The Manager believes that, where practicable, this can best be achieved by entering into a dialogue with investee company management teams to encourage them, where necessary, to improve their governance policies. Therefore, the Board has delegated responsibility for monitoring the activities of portfolio companies to the Manager and has given it discretionary powers to vote in respect of the holdings in the Company's investment portfolio.

Socially Responsible Investment Policy

The Directors and the Manager are aware of their duty to act in the interests of the Company and acknowledge that there are risks associated with investment in companies which fail to conduct business in a socially responsible manner. Therefore, the Directors and the Manager take account of the social environment and ethical factors that may affect the performance or value of the Company's investments. Maven and the Directors believe that a company run in the longterm interests of its shareholders should manage its relationships with its employees, suppliers and customers and behave responsibly towards the environment and society as a whole. The effectiveness of the policy in respect of investee companies is monitored on an ongoing basis.

Communication with Shareholders

The Company places a great deal of importance on communication with its Shareholders, all of whom are normally welcome to attend and participate in the AGM. However, in respect of the 2021 AGM, Shareholders should note the guidance provided in the Chairman's Statement on page 13. The Notice of Annual General Meeting sets out the business of the AGM and the Resolutions are explained more fully in the Explanatory Notes to the Notice of Annual General Meeting as well as in the Directors' Report and the Directors' Remuneration Report. Separate Resolutions are proposed for each substantive issue and Shareholders have the opportunity to put questions to the Board and to the Manager. The results of proxy voting are relayed to Shareholders after the Resolutions have been voted on by a show of hands. Nominated persons, often the beneficial owners of shares held for them by nominee companies, may attend Shareholder meetings and are invited to contact the registered Shareholder, normally a nominee company, in the first instance in order to be nominated to attend the meeting and to vote in respect of the shares held for them. In general, a venture capital trust has few major shareholders.

The Annual Report is normally published at least twenty business days before the AGM. Annual and Interim Reports and Financial Statements are distributed to Shareholders and other parties who have an interest in the Company's performance.

Shareholders and potential investors may obtain up-to-date information on the Company through the Manager and the Secretary, and the Company responds to letters from Shareholders on a wide range of issues. In order to ensure that the Directors develop an understanding of the views of Shareholders, correspondence between Shareholders and the Manager or the Chairman is copied to the Board. See Contact Information for details on how to contact the Manager or Company Secretary.

The Company's web pages are hosted on the Manager's website, and can be visited at www.mavencp.com/migvct5 from where Annual and Interim Reports, London Stock Exchange announcements and other information can be viewed, printed or downloaded. Further information about the Manager can be obtained from www.mavencp.com.

Accountability and Audit

The Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in respect of the Financial Statements is on page 59 and the Statement of Going Concern and the Viability Statement are included in the Directors' Report on pages 44 and 45. The Independent Auditor's Report is on pages 64 to 71.

Authorised for issue by the Board **Maven Capital Partners UK LLP** Secretary

15 March 2021

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report, the Directors' Remuneration Report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare Financial Statements for each financial year. Under that law, the Directors have elected to prepare the Financial Statements in accordance with FRS 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland. The Financial Statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the net return of the Company for that period.

In preparing these Financial Statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the Financial Statements; and
- prepare the Financial Statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

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

The Directors are also responsible for preparing a Strategic Report, Directors' Report, Directors' Remuneration Report (including a report on remuneration policy) and Corporate Governance Statement that comply with applicable laws and regulations.

The Directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the Company's webpages, which are hosted on the Manager's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The Directors are also responsible for ensuring that the Annual Report and Financial Statements, taken as a whole, is fair, balanced and understandable and provides the information necessary for Shareholders to assess the Company's position and performance, business model and strategy.

Responsibility Statement of the Directors in respect of the Annual Report and Financial Statements

The Directors confirm that, to the best of their knowledge:

- the Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable accounting standards and give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Company as at 30 November 2020 and for the year to that date;
- the Directors' Report includes a fair review of the development and performance of the Company, together with a description of the principal risks and uncertainties that it faces; and
- the Annual Report and Financial Statements taken as a whole is fair, balanced and understandable and provides the information necessary for Shareholders to assess the Company's position and performance, business model and strategy.

Graham Miller Director 15 March 2021

REPORT OF THE AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEES

The Audit Committee and the Risk Committee are both chaired by Gordon Humphries and comprise all independent Directors.

Audit Committee

The Board is satisfied that at least one member of the Committee has recent and relevant financial experience and that the Audit Committee as a whole has competence relevant to the sector in which the Company operates.

The principal responsibilities of the Committee include:

- the integrity of the Interim and Annual Reports and Financial Statements and reviewing any significant financial reporting judgements contained therein;
- the review of the terms of appointment of the Auditor, together with its remuneration;
- the review of the scope and results of the audit and the independence and objectivity of the Auditor;
- the review of the Auditor's Board Report and any required response;
- meetings with representatives of the Manager;
- the review of the custody arrangements in place to confirm ownership of investments;
- the provision of advice on whether the Annual Report and Financial Statements, taken as a whole, is fair, balanced and understandable and provides the information necessary for Shareholders to assess the Company's position and performance, business model and strategy; and
- making appropriate recommendations to the Board.

Activities of the Audit Committee

The Committee met twice during the year under review, in January and July 2020. At these meetings, it considered the key risks detailed below and in the Business Report and the corresponding internal control and risk reports provided by the Manager, which included the Company's risk management framework. No significant weaknesses in the control environment were identified and it was also noted that there had not been any adverse comment from the Auditor and that the Auditor had not identified any significant issues in its Audit Report. In addition, there had been no interaction with the FRC, through their Corporate Reporting Review or Audit Quality Review teams during the period. The Committee, therefore, concluded that there were no significant issues which required to be reported to the Board.

At its meeting in January 2020, the Committee also reviewed, for recommendation to the Board, the Audit Report from the Independent Auditor and the draft Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 30 November 2019.

The Committee concluded that it was satisfied with the performance of Deloitte LLP (Deloitte) and recommended its continuing appointment.

At its meeting in July 2020, the Committee also reviewed the Half Yearly Report for the six months ended 31 May 2020.

Subsequent to 30 November 2020, at its meeting in February 2021, the Committee also reviewed, for recommendation to the Board, the Audit Report from the Independent Auditor and the draft Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 30 November 2020, and provided advice to the Board that it considered that the Annual Report and Financial Statements, taken as a whole, was fair, balanced and understandable and provided the information necessary for Shareholders to assess the Company's position and performance, business model and strategy.

It is recognised that the portfolio of investee companies forms a significant element of the Company's assets and that there are different risks associated with listed and unlisted investments. The primary risk that requires the particular attention of the Committee is that unlisted investments are not recognised and measured in line with the Company's stated accounting policy on the valuation of investments as set out in Note 1(e) to the Financial Statements on pages 76 and 77. In accordance with that policy, unlisted investments are valued by the Manager in line with the International Private Equity and Venture Capital Valuation Guidelines and are subject to scrutiny and approval by the Directors. Investments listed on a recognised stock exchange are valued at their bid market closing share price.

The Audit Committee has considered the assumptions and judgements in relation to the valuation of each unquoted investment and is satisfied that they are appropriate.

Investment	% of net assets by value	Valuation basis
AIM/AQSE quoted	22.7	Bid price ¹
Listed investment trusts	5.9	Bid price ¹
Legacy unquoted	1.8	Directors' valuation
Maven unquoted	44.5	Directors' valuation
Total investment	74.9	

¹ London Stock Exchange closing market quote.

The Committee recommended the investment valuations, representing 74.9% of net assets as at 30 November 2020, to the Board for approval.

Review of Effectiveness of Independent Auditor

As part of its annual review of audit service, the Committee reviews the performance, effectiveness and general relationship with the Independent Auditor (Auditor or Deloitte). In addition, the Committee reviews the independence and objectivity of the Auditor. Key elements of these reviews include: discussions with the Manager regarding the audit service provided; separate meetings with the Auditor; consideration of the completeness and accuracy of the Deloitte reporting; and a review of the relationship the Auditor has with the Manager.

Details of the amounts paid to the Auditor during the year for audit services are set out in Note 4 to the Financial Statements.

The Auditor's Report is on pages 64 to 71. Following an audit tender in 2016, Deloitte was appointed as Auditor in September 2016. Deloitte rotate the senior statutory auditor responsible for the audit every five years and Chris Hunter is currently the Company's senior statutory auditor.

The Company reviews its approach for governing and controlling the provision of non-audit services by the Auditor so as to safeguard its independence and objectivity. Shareholders are asked to approve the appointment, and the Directors' responsibility for the remuneration, of the Auditor at each AGM. Any non-audit work, other than interim reviews, requires the specific approval of the Audit Committee in each case. Non-audit work, where independence may be compromised or conflicts arise, is prohibited. There are no contractual obligations which restrict the Committee's choice of auditor. The Committee concluded that Deloitte is independent of the Company and recommended that a Resolution for the re-appointment of Deloitte as Auditor should be put to the 2021 AGM.

The Audit Committee's performance evaluation is carried out by the Directors as part of the Board evaluation review.

Risk Committee

Under the recommendations of the AIFMD, the Company established a Risk Committee. The responsibilities of the Committee are:

- to keep under review the adequacy and effectiveness of the Manager's internal financial controls and internal control and risk management systems and procedures in the context of the Company's overall risk management system;
- to consider and approve the remit of the Manager's internal control function and be satisfied that it has adequate resources and appropriate access to information to enable it to perform its role effectively and in accordance with the relevant professional standards;
- to identify, measure, manage and monitor the risks to the Company as recommended by the AIFMD including, but not limited to, the investment portfolio, credit, counterparty, liquidity, market and operational risk;
- to review and monitor all reports on the Company from the Manager's internal control function, ensuring compliance with all VCT regulations;
- to review the arrangements for, and effectiveness of, the monitoring of risk parameters;
- to ensure appropriate, documented and regularly updated due diligence processes are implemented when appointing and reviewing service providers, including reviewing the main contracts entered into by the Company for such services;

- to ensure that the risk profile of the Company corresponds to the size, portfolio structure and investment strategies and objectives of the Company;
- to report to the Board on its conclusions and to make recommendations in respect of any matters within its remit including proposals for improvement in, or changes to, the systems, processes and procedures that are in place;
- to review and approve the statements to be included in the Annual Report concerning risk management;
- to review and monitor the Manager's responsiveness to the findings and recommendations of its internal control function;
- to meet with representatives of the Manager's internal control function at least once each year, to discuss any issues arising; and
- to allow direct access to representatives of the Manager's internal control function.

The Committee reviews the Terms of Reference at least once each year.

Activities of the Risk Committee

The Committee met five times during the year under review. In addition to the Committee's ordinary activities in that period, the Committee carried out a full and comprehensive review of the Company's risk register. This included a reassessment of the principal and emerging risks facing the Company, in particular the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the impact of the failure to prevent an identified risk occurring together with a review of the control measures used to address the identified risks. The Committee also took the opportunity to ensure that the Risk Register adequately addressed new legislative and regulatory changes.

Internal Control and Risk Management

The Board of Directors of Maven Income and Growth VCT 5 PLC has overall responsibility for the Company's system of internal control and risk management and procedures, and for reviewing its effectiveness. However, as the Directors have delegated the investment management, company secretarial and administrative functions of the Company to the Manager, the Board considers that it is appropriate for the Company's internal controls to be monitored by the Manager, rather than by the Company itself. The principal responsibilities of the Committee include the ongoing review of the effectiveness of the internal control environment and the review of the risk management systems that allow the Company to identify, measure, manage and monitor all risks on a continuous basis. The Directors have confirmed that there is an ongoing process for identifying, evaluating and managing the principal and emerging risks faced by the Company, which has been in place up to the date of approval of this Annual Report. This process is reviewed regularly by the Board and accords with internal control guidance issued by the FRC.

Through the Risk Committee, the Board reviews the effectiveness, at least bi-annually, of the system of internal control and, in particular, it has reviewed the process for identifying and evaluating the principal and emerging risks affecting the Company and the policies and procedures by which these risks are managed. The Directors have delegated the management of the Company's assets to the Manager and this embraces implementation of the system of internal control, including financial, operational and compliance controls and risk management. Internal control systems are monitored and supported by the compliance function of the Manager, which undertakes periodic examination of business processes, including compliance with the terms of the Management and Administration Deed, and ensures that recommendations to improve controls are implemented.

Risks are identified through the Company's risk management framework by each function within the Manager's activities. Risk is considered in the context of the guidance issued by the FRC and includes financial, regulatory, market, operational and reputational risk. This helps the Manager's risk model identify those functions most appropriate for review.

Any errors or weaknesses identified are reported to the Company and timetables are agreed for implementing improvements to systems. The implementation of any remedial action required is monitored and feedback provided to the Committee.

The key components designed to provide effective internal control for the year under review and up to the date of this report are:

- the Manager prepares forecasts and management accounts that allow the Board to assess the Company's activities and review its investment performance;
- the Board and Manager have agreed clearly defined investment criteria, specified levels of authority and exposure limits. Reports on these areas, including performance statistics and investment valuations, are submitted regularly to the Board;
- the Manager's evaluation procedure and financial analysis of the companies concerned include detailed appraisal and due diligence;
- the compliance director of the Manager reviews continually the Manager's operations;

- written agreements are in place which specifically define the roles and responsibilities of the Manager and other third party service providers;
- clearly documented contractual arrangements exist in respect of any activities that have been delegated to external professional organisations;
- the Committee carries out a bi-annual assessment of internal controls by considering reports from the Manager, including oversight of Maven's whistleblowing policy, its internal control and compliance functions, oversight of the Manager's whistleblowing policy; and taking account of events since the relevant period end; and
- the compliance function of the Manager reports bi-annually to the Risk Committee and has direct access to the Directors at any time.

The internal control systems are intended to meet the Company's particular needs and the risks to which it is exposed. Accordingly, these systems are designed to manage, rather than eliminate, the risk of failure to achieve business goals and, by their nature, can provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss.

Assessment of Risks

In terms of the assessment of the risks facing the Company, it is recognised that the portfolio forms a significant element of its assets and a key issue that requires the particular attention of the Committee is that unlisted holdings are recognised and measured in line with the Company's stated accounting policy. Another risk is that the Company does not recognise income in line with its stated policy on revenue recognition and/or incorrectly allocates dividend income between capital and revenue. In addition, as the Company has contractually delegated specific services to external parties, another risk relates to the performance of those service providers.

Valuation, existence and ownership of the investment portfolio - how the risk was addressed

The Company uses the services of an independent custodian (JPMorgan Chase Bank) to hold the quoted investment assets of the Company. An annual internal control report is received from the Custodian, which provides details of the Custodian's control environment. The investment portfolio is reconciled regularly by the Manager and the reconciliation is also reviewed by the Independent Auditor. The portfolio is reviewed and verified by the Manager on a regular basis and management accounts, including a full portfolio listing, are prepared quarterly and considered at the quarterly meetings of the Board. The portfolio is also audited annually by the Independent Auditor.

The valuation of investments is undertaken in accordance with the Company's stated accounting policy as set out in Note 1(e) to the Financial Statements on pages 76 and 77. Unlisted investments are valued by the Manager and are subject to scrutiny and approval by the Directors. Investments listed on a recognised stock exchange are valued at their bid market price.

The Committee considered and challenged the assumptions and significant judgements in relation to the valuation of each quoted and unquoted investment and was satisfied that they were appropriate. The Committee also satisfied itself that there were no issues associated with the existence and ownership of the investments that required to be addressed.

Revenue recognition – how the risk was addressed

The recognition of dividend income and loan stock interest is undertaken in accordance with the accounting policy as set out in Note 1(b) to the Financial Statements on page 76. The management accounts are reviewed by the Board on a quarterly basis and discussion takes place with the Manager at the quarterly Board Meetings regarding the revenue generated from dividend income and loan stock. The Directors are satisfied that the levels of income recognised are in line with revenue estimates. The Committee concluded that there were no issues associated with revenue recognition that required to be addressed.

Maintenance of VCT status – how the risk was addressed

Compliance with the VCT regulations is monitored continually by the Manager and is reviewed by the Risk Committee on a quarterly basis. The Committee concluded that there were no issues associated with the maintenance of VCT status that required to be addressed.

The principal and emerging risks and uncertainties faced by the Company and the Board's strategy for managing these risks, are covered in the Business Report on pages 15 to 17.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MAVEN INCOME AND GROWTH VCT 5 PLC

Report on the audit of the Financial Statements

1. Opinion

In our opinion the Financial Statements of Maven Income and Growth VCT 5 PLC (the Company):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 30 November 2020 and of its return for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland"; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the Financial Statements, which comprise:

- the Income Statement;
- the Balance Sheet;
- the Statement of Changes in Equity;
- the Cash Flow Statement; and
- the related Notes 1 to 16.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

2. Basis for opinion

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

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the Financial Reporting Council's (the FRC's) Ethical Standard as applied to listed public interest entities, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We confirm that the non-audit services prohibited by the FRC's Ethical Standard were not provided to the Company.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

3. Summary of our audit approach

Key audit matters	The key audit matter that we identified in the current year was the valuation of early stage unlisted investments. Within this report, key audit matters are identified as follows: Image: Ima			
Materiality	The materiality that we used in the current year was £902,000 (2019: £947,000), which was determined on the basis of 2% of the net asset value of the Company at year end.			
Scoping	Audit work to respond to the risks of material misstatement was performed directly by the engagement team.			
Significant changes in our approach	There have been no significant changes to our audit approach in the current year.			

4. Conclusions relating to going concern, principal risks and viability statement

4.1. Going concern

We have reviewed the Directors' statement in the Directors' Report about whether they considered it appropriate to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing them and their identification of any material uncertainties to the Company's ability to continue to do so over a period of at least twelve months from the date of approval of the Financial Statements.

We considered as part of our risk assessment the nature of the Company, its business model and related risks including where relevant the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and Brexit, the requirements of the applicable financial reporting framework and the system of internal control. We evaluated the Directors' assessment of the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, including challenging the underlying data and key assumptions used to make the assessment, and evaluated the Directors' plans for future actions in relation to their going concern assessment.

We are required to state whether we have anything material to add or draw attention to in relation to that statement required by Listing Rule 9.8.6R(3) and report if the statement is materially inconsistent with our knowledge obtained in the audit.

Going concern is the basis of preparation of the financial statements that assumes an entity will remain in operation for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements.

We confirm that we have nothing material to report, add or draw attention to in respect of these matters.

4.2. Principal risks and viability statement

Based solely on reading the Directors' statements and considering whether they were consistent with the knowledge we obtained in the course of the audit, including the knowledge obtained in the evaluation of the Directors' assessment of the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, we are required to state whether we have anything material to add or draw attention to in relation to:

- the disclosures on pages 15 to 17 that describe the principal risks, procedures to identify emerging risks, and an explanation of how these are being managed or mitigated;
- the Directors' confirmation on page 44 that they have carried out a robust assessment of the principal and emerging risks facing the Company, including those that would threaten its business model, future performance, solvency or liquidity; or
- the Directors' explanation on pages 44 and 45 as to how they have assessed the prospects of the Company, over what period they have done so and why they consider that period to be appropriate, and their statement as to whether they have a reasonable expectation that the Company will be able to continue in operation and meet its liabilities as they fall due over the period of their assessment, including any related disclosures drawing attention to any necessary qualifications or assumptions.

We are also required to report whether the Directors' statement relating to the prospects of the Company required by Listing Rule 9.8.6R(3) is materially inconsistent with our knowledge obtained in the audit.

5. Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the Financial Statements of the current period and include the most significant assessed risks of material misstatement (whether or not due to fraud) that we identified. These matters included those which had the greatest effect on: the overall audit strategy, the allocation of resources in the audit; and directing the efforts of the engagement team.

These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the Financial Statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

5.1. Valuation of early stage unlisted investments ($\langle \rangle$

Key audit matter description	Refer to Note 1(e) (Accounting Policies) on pages 76 and 77, Note 8 of the Notes to the Financial Statements on pages 81 and 82 and the Assessment of Risks section of the Report of the Audit Committee on page 63.
	The Company holds unlisted investments that are valued in accordance with the revised International Private Equity and Venture Capital Valuation (IPEVCV) Guidelines. These unlisted investments represent £20.9 million or 46.4% of the Company's net assets (2019: £16.8 million or 35.6%).
	Under the VCT regulations, investments are more likely to be in earlier stage unlisted companies, which lack financial performance history. The valuation of these early stage unlisted companies are therefore exposed to a greater deal of judgement, further heightened by the COVID-19 pandemic and Brexit.
	In particular, where a follow-on investment has been made in an early stage unlisted company, there is a risk that the price of the recent investment may not be reflective of an independent market value due to the existing relationship between the investee company and the Company. Furthermore, where the early stage unlisted company has not been revalued in the current year, there is a risk that indicators of a change in fair value, such as investee company performance being ahead or behind milestones, have not been adequately factored in the re-measurement.
	This risk has been identified as a potential fraud risk, as incorrect valuations could result in a material misstatement of the net asset value of the Company.

Viability means the ability of the Company to continue over the time horizon considered appropriate by the Directors.

We confirm that we have nothing material to report, add or draw attention to in respect of these matters.

How the scope	Our testing included:
of our audit responded to the key audit matter	• review of Board minutes for evidence that all investee company valuations are challenged prior to approval by the Directors;
,	• review of valuation committee minutes for evidence that company valuations are reviewed by the Manager's valuation committee;
	• review of the initial or revised investment documents related to the investee companies and identification of the key milestones that underpin the companies' anticipated growth and development;
	• enquiring with the individual investment managers to understand current performance of the investee company against milestones, its challenges and opportunities;
	• scrutiny of management accounts, with a particular emphasis on current cash position and cash flow forecasts for the next 12 months and assessing whether any additional funding is anticipated; and
	• assessment of the assumptions used in the performance of the investee company against management accounts and other available market data, including the potential impact of Brexit and COVID-19. If this performance was not reflected in the valuation of the investee company, this was challenged with the relevant investment manager and relevant external supporting documentation obtained.
Key observations	Based on our testing, we conclude that the valuation of the early stage unlisted investments is reasonable.

6. Our application of materiality

6.1. Materiality

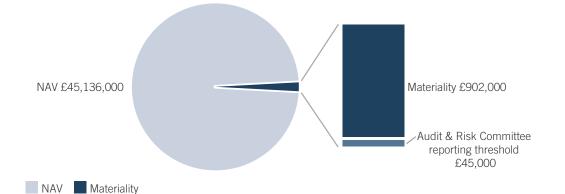
We define materiality as the magnitude of misstatement in the Financial Statements that makes it probable that the economic decisions of a reasonably knowledgeable person would be changed or influenced. We use materiality both in planning the scope of our audit work and in evaluating the results of our work.

Based on our professional judgement, we determined materiality for the Financial Statements as a whole as follows:

Materiality	£902,000 (2019: £947,000)
Basis for determining materiality	2% of net asset value (2019: 2%).
Rationale for the benchmark applied	Net asset value is the primary measure used by the Shareholders in assessing the performance of the Company as an investment entity.

6.2. Materiality applied to particular classes of transactions, account balances or disclosures

For our testing of the unlisted investments held by the Company, we used a lower level of materiality based on 2% of the unlisted investment balance, which results in a lower-level materiality of £412,000. This is because the NAV of the VCT includes significant levels of cash that has not yet been deployed from previous capital raises, meaning a significant amount of cash is held as of the year-end date. However, the cash balance will carry a different risk profile to that of unlisted investments and, therefore, these investments should be tested at a lower materiality level.



6.3. Performance materiality

We set performance materiality at a level lower than materiality to reduce the probability that, in aggregate, uncorrected and undetected misstatements exceed the materiality for the Financial Statements as a whole. Performance materiality was set at 70% of materiality for the 2020 audit (2019: 70%). In determining performance materiality, we considered the quality of the control environment and management's willingness to correct identified errors in previous audits.

6.4. Error reporting threshold

We agreed with the Audit Committee that we would report to the Committee all audit differences in excess of £45,000 (2019: £47,000), as well as differences below that threshold that, in our view, warranted reporting on qualitative grounds. We also report to the Audit Committee on disclosure matters that we identified when assessing the overall presentation of the Financial Statements.

7. An overview of the scope of our audit

7.1. Scoping and our consideration of the control environment

Our audit was scoped by obtaining an understanding of the entity and its environment, including internal control, and assessing the risks of material misstatement.

The investment management and accounting and reporting operations were undertaken by the Manager, whilst the safeguarding of assets resides with the Manager and the Custodian. We have obtained an understanding of the Manager's systems of internal control and reviewed the Custodian's controls report. We have, however, not relied on the controls at either the Manager or Custodian.

8. Other information

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the Financial Statements and our Auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the Financial Statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the 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 we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the Financial Statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

In this context, matters that we are specifically required to report to you as uncorrected material misstatements of the other information include where we conclude that:

- **Fair, balanced and understandable** the statement given by the Directors that they consider the Annual Report and Financial Statements taken as a whole is fair, balanced and understandable and provides the information necessary for Shareholders to assess the Company's position and performance, business model and strategy, is materially inconsistent with our knowledge obtained in the audit; or
- Audit committee reporting the section describing the work of the Audit Committee does not appropriately address matters communicated by us to the Audit Committee; or
- **Directors' statement of compliance with the UK Corporate Governance Code** the parts of the Directors' statement required under the Listing Rules relating to the Company's compliance with the UK Corporate Governance Code containing provisions specified for review by the auditor in accordance with Listing Rule 9.8.10R(2) do not properly disclose a departure from a relevant provision of the UK Corporate Governance Code.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

9. Responsibilities of Directors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the Financial Statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the Financial Statements, the Directors are responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

10. Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these Financial Statements.

Details of the extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud and noncompliance with laws and regulations are set out below.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Statements is located on the FRC's website at: **www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities**. This description forms part of our Auditor's report.

11. Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

We identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Financial Statements, whether due to fraud or error, and then design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, including obtaining audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

11.1. Identifying and assessing potential risks related to irregularities

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we considered the following:

- the nature of the industry and sector, control environment and business performance, including the design of the Company's remuneration policy, key drivers for Directors' remuneration, bonus levels and performance targets (if any);
- results of our enquiries of management and the Audit Committee about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities;
- any matters we identified having obtained and reviewed the Company's documentation of its policies and procedures relating to:
 - identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance;
 - detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether there is knowledge of any actual, suspected, or alleged fraud;
 - the internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations; and
- the matters discussed among the audit engagement team and involving relevant internal specialists, including tax and valuations regarding how and where fraud might occur in the Financial Statements and any potential indicators of fraud.

As a result of these procedures, we considered the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud and identified the greatest potential for fraud in the following areas: valuation of early stage unlisted investments. In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are also required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override.

We also obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework that the Company operates in, focusing on provisions of those laws and regulations that had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the Financial Statements. The key laws and regulations we considered in this context included the UK Companies Act and Listing Rules.

In addition, we considered provisions of other laws and regulations that do not have a direct effect on the Financial Statements but compliance with which may be fundamental to the Company's ability to operate or to avoid a material penalty. These included the Company's compliance with VCT regulations.

11.2. Audit response to risks identified

As a result of performing the above, we identified the valuation of early stage unlisted investments as a key audit matter related to the potential risk of fraud. The key audit matters section of our report explains the matter in more detail and also describes the specific procedures we performed in response to that key audit matter.

In addition to the above, our procedures to respond to risks identified included the following:

- reviewing the Financial Statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with provisions of relevant laws and regulations described as having a direct effect on the Financial Statements;
- enquiring of management, the Audit Committee and external legal counsel concerning actual and potential litigation and claims;
- performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud;
- reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance and reviewing correspondence with HMRC and the FCA; and
- in addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, testing the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments; assessing whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias; and evaluating the business rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.

We also communicated relevant identified laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team members, including internal specialists, and remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

12. Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the part of the Directors' Remuneration Report to be audited has been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

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

- the information given in the Strategic Report and the Directors' report for the financial year for which the Financial Statements are prepared is consistent with the Financial Statements; and
- the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the Company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified any material misstatements in the Strategic Report or the Directors' Report.

13. Matters on which we are required to report by exception

13.1. Adequacy of explanations received and accounting records

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the Financial Statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

13.2. Directors' remuneration

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are also required to report if, in our opinion, certain disclosures of Directors' remuneration have not been made or the part of the Directors' Remuneration Report to be audited is not in agreement with the accounting records and returns.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

14. Other matters

14.1. Auditor tenure

Following the recommendation of the Audit Committee, we were appointed by the Board of Directors in September 2016 to audit the financial statements for the year ended 30 November 2016 and subsequent financial periods. The period of total uninterrupted engagement, including previous renewals and reappointments of the firm, is five years, covering the years ended 30 November 2016 to 30 November 2020.

14.2. Consistency of the audit report with the additional report to the Audit Committee

Our audit opinion is consistent with the additional report to the Audit Committee we are required to provide in accordance with ISAs (UK).

15. Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Chris Hunter CA (Senior Statutory Auditor) For and on behalf of Deloitte LLP Statutory Auditor Edinburgh, United Kingdom

15 March 2021

INCOME STATEMENT

For the year ended 30 November 2020

	Notes	Year end Revenue £'000	led 30 Nove Capital £'000	mber 2020 Total £'000	Year ende Revenue £'000	ed 30 Novem Capital £'000	ber 2019 Total £'000
Gains on investments	8	-	1,442	1,442	-	960	960
Income from investments	2	473	-	473	607	-	607
Other income	2	28	-	28	49	-	49
Investment management fees	3	(239)	(718)	(957)	(198)	(593)	(791)
Other expenses	4	(330)	-	(330)	(306)	-	(306)
Net return on ordinary activities before taxation		(68)	724	656	152	367	519
Tax on ordinary activities	5	33	(33)	-	(7)	7	-
Return attributable to Equity Shareholders		(35)	691	656	145	374	519
Earnings per share (pence)		(0.03)	0.55	0.52	0.12	0.32	0.44

All gains and losses are recognised in the Income Statement.

All items in the above statement are derived from continuing operations. The Company has only one class of business and one reportable segment, the results of which are set out in the Income Statement and Balance Sheet. The Company derives its income from investments made in shares, securities and bank deposits.

There are no potentially dilutive capital instruments in issue and, therefore, no diluted earnings per share figures are relevant. The basic and diluted earnings per share are, therefore, identical.

The accompanying Notes are an integral part of the Financial Statements.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the year ended 30 November 2020

Year ended 30 November 2020	Notes	Share capital £'000	Non Distribu Share premium account £'000	table Reserve Capital redemption reserve £'000	capital Capital reserve unrealised £'000	Dis Capital reserve realised £'000	tributable Reserv Special distributable reserve £'000	ves Revenue reserve £'000	Total £'000
At 30 November 2019		12,608	23,180	3,955	(2,803)	-	11,260	(1,076)	47,124
Net return		-	-	-	(292)	1,734	(751)	(35)	656
Cancellation of share premium account		-	(23,180)	-	-	-	23,180	-	-
Cancellation of capital redemption reserve		-	-	(3,955)	-	-	3,955	-	-
Share premium cancellation costs		-	(10)	-	-	-	-	-	(10)
Dividends paid	6	-	-	-	-	-	(1,882)	(123)	(2,005)
Repurchase and cancellation of shares	12	(218)	-	218	-	-	(675)	-	(675)
Net proceeds of DIS issue		15	31	-	-	-	-	-	46
At 30 November 2020		12,405	21	218	(3,095)	1,734	35,087	(1,234)	45,136

			Non Distributable Reserves			Distributable Reserves Capital Special			
Year ended 30 November 2019*	Notes	Share capital £'000	Share premium account £'000	Capital redemption reserve £'000	Capital reserve unrealised £'000	reserve realised £'000	distributable reserve £'000	Revenue reserve £'000	Total £'000
At 30 November 2018		7,527	8,816	3,752	(3,530)	(24,615)	37,531	(1,221)	28,260
Net return		-	-	-	727	233	(586)	145	519
Share premium cancellation costs		-	(1)	-	-	-	-	-	(1)
Dividends paid	6	-	-	-	-	-	(634)	-	(634)
Repurchase and cancellation of shares	12	(203)	-	203	-	-	(669)	-	(669)
Net proceeds of share issue		5,269	14,329	-	-	-	-	-	19,598
Net proceeds of DIS issue		15	36	-	-	-	-	-	51
Transfer between distributable reserves*		-	-	-	-	24,382	(24,382)	-	-
At 30 November 2019		12,608	23,180	3,955	(2,803)	-	11,260	(1,076)	47,124

*Refer to Note 1 to the Financial Statements on page 76.

The capital reserve unrealised is generally non-distributable, other than the part of the reserve relating to gains/(losses) attributable to readily realisable quoted investments that are distributable.

The accompanying Notes are an integral part of the Financial Statements.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 30 November 2020

	Notes	30 November 2020 £'000	30 November 2019* £'000
Fixed assets			
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	8	33,821	28,555
Current assets			
Debtors	10	242	286
Cash	16	11,543	18,648
		11,785	18,934
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	11	(470)	(365)
Net current assets		11,315	18,569
Net assets		45,136	47,124
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	12	12,405	12,608
Share premium account	13	21	23,180
Capital redemption reserve	13	218	3,955
Capital reserve - unrealised	13	(3,095)	(2,803)
Capital reserve - realised	13	1,734	-
Special distributable reserve	13	35,087	11,260
Revenue reserve	13	(1,234)	(1,076)
Net assets attributable to Ordinary Shareholders		45,136	47,124
Net asset value per Ordinary Share (pence)	14	36.38	37.37

*Refer to Note 1 to the Financial Statements on page 76.

The Financial Statements of Maven Income and Growth VCT 5 PLC, registered number 4084875, were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 15 March 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

Graham Miller Director

15 March 2021

The accompanying Notes are an integral part of the Financial Statements.

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

For the year ended 30 November 2020

	Notes	Year ended 30 November 2020 £'000	Year ended 30 November 2019 £'000
Net cash flows from operating activities	15	(720)	(519)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of investments		(7,196)	(6,821)
Sale of investments		3,549	2,107
Net cash flows from investing activities		(3,647)	(4,714)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Equity dividends paid	6	(2,005)	(634)
Issue of Ordinary Shares		46	19,649
Share premium cancellation costs		(10)	(1)
Repurchase of Ordinary Shares		(769)	(495)
Net cash flows from financing activities		(2,738)	18,519
Net (decrease) / increase in cash		(7,105)	13,286
Cash at beginning of year		18,648	5,362
Cash at end of year		11,543	18,648

The accompanying Notes are an integral part of the Financial Statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 November 2020

1. Accounting policies

The Company is a public limited company, incorporated in England and Wales and its registered office is shown in the Corporate Summary.

(a) Basis of preparation

The Financial Statements have been prepared on a going concern basis including an assessment of the impact of COVID-19 on the finances of the Company, as covered in the Directors' Report on page 44. The Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments and in accordance with FRS 102, The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland, and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice for Investment Trust Companies and Venture Capital Trusts (the SORP) issued by the Association of Investment Companies (AIC) in October 2019.

Change in presentation of 2019 Statement of Changes in Equity and Balance Sheet – in previous years, capital expenses and dividends were recorded through the capital reserve realised. The nature of this treatment created a large deficit position that continued to build. In order to improve the transparency of distributable reserves, capital expenses and dividends are now recorded through the special distributable reserve. A one-off prior year re-classification has been reflected in the statement of changes in equity to clear the originating deficit position. This disclosure change has no impact on the profit and loss account or NAV.

(b) Income

Dividends receivable on equity shares and unit trusts are treated as revenue for the period on an ex-dividend basis. Where no ex-dividend date is available dividends receivable on or before the year end are treated as revenue for the period. Provision is made for any dividends not expected to be received. The fixed returns on debt securities and non-equity shares are recognised on a time apportionment basis so as to reflect the effective interest rate on the debt securities and shares. Provision is made for any fixed income not expected to be received. Interest receivable from cash and short term deposits and interest payable are accrued to the end of the year.

(c) Expenses

All expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis and charged to the income statement. Expenses are charged through the revenue account except as follows:

- expenses which are incidental to the acquisition and disposal of an investment are charged to capital; and
- expenses are charged to the special distributable reserve where a connection with the maintenance

or enhancement of the value of the investments can be demonstrated. In this respect, the investment management fee and performance fee have been allocated 25% to revenue and 75% to the special distributable reserve to reflect the Company's investment policy and prospective income and capital growth.

(d) Taxation

Deferred taxation is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the Balance Sheet date, where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more tax in the future or right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the Balance Sheet date. This is subject to deferred tax assets only being recognised if it is considered more likely than not that there will be suitable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted. Timing differences are differences arising between the Company's taxable profits and its results as stated in the Financial Statements which are capable of reversal in one or more subsequent periods.

Deferred tax is measured on a non-discounted basis at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and laws enacted or substantively enacted at the Balance Sheet date.

The tax effect of different items of income/gain and expenditure/loss is allocated between capital reserves and revenue account on the same basis as the particular item to which it relates using the Company's effective rate of tax for the period.

UK corporation tax is provided at amounts expected to be paid/recovered using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the Balance Sheet date.

(e) Investments

In valuing unlisted investments, the Directors follow the criteria set out below. These procedures comply with the revised International Private Equity and Venture Capital Valuation Guidelines (IPEVCV) for the valuation of private equity and venture capital investments. Investments are recognised at their trade date and are designated by the Directors as fair value through profit and loss. At subsequent reporting dates, investments are valued at fair value, which represents the Directors' view of the amount for which an asset could be exchanged between knowledgeable and willing parties in an arm's length transaction. This does not assume that the underlying business is saleable at the reporting date or that its current shareholders have an intention to sell their holding in the near future.

A financial asset or liability is generally derecognised when the contract that gives rise to it is settled, sold, cancelled or expires.

- 1. For early stage investments completed in the reporting period, fair value is determined with reference to the price of recent investment, calibrating for any material change in the trading circumstances of the investee company. Other early stage investments are valued using a milestone approach, in particular where it is considered there are no deemed current or short-term future maintainable earnings or positive cashflows.
- Whenever practical, recent investments will be valued by reference to a material arm's length transaction or a quoted price.
- 3. Mature companies are valued by applying a multiple to their maintainable earnings to determine the enterprise value of the company.

To obtain a valuation of the total ordinary share capital held by management and the institutional investors, the value of third party debt, institutional loan stock, debentures and preference share capital is deducted from the enterprise value. The effect of any performance related mechanisms is taken into account when determining the value of the ordinary share capital.

- 4. In the absence of evidence of a deterioration, or strong defensible evidence of an increase in value, the fair value is determined to be that reported at the previous Balance Sheet date.
- All unlisted investments are valued individually by the portfolio management team of Maven Capital Partners UK LLP. The resultant valuations are subject to detailed scrutiny and approval by the Directors of the Company.
- In accordance with normal market practice, investments listed on the Alternative Investment Market or a recognised stock exchange are valued at their bid market price.

(f) Fair value measurement

Fair value is defined as the price that the Company would receive upon selling an investment in a timely transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or the most advantageous market of the investment. A three-tier hierarchy has been established to maximise the use of observable market data and minimise the use of unobservable inputs and to establish classification of fair value measurements for disclosure purposes. Inputs refer broadly to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk, for example, the risk inherent in a particular valuation technique used to measure fair value including such a pricing model and/or the risk inherent in the inputs to the valuation technique. Inputs may be observable or unobservable. Observable inputs are inputs that reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity.

Unobservable inputs are inputs that reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, developed based on best information available in the circumstances.

The three-tier hierarchy of inputs is summarised in the three broad levels listed below.

- Level 1 the unadjusted quoted price in an active market for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date.
- Level 2 inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable (i.e. developed using market data) for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable (i.e. for which market data is unavailable) for the asset or liability.

(g) Gains and losses on investments

When the Company sells or revalues its investments during the year, any gains or losses arising are credited/charged to the Income Statement.

(h) Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

Disclosure is required of judgements and estimates made by the Board and the Manager in applying the accounting policies that have a significant effect on the financial statements. The area involving the highest degree of judgement and estimates is the valuation of early stage unlisted investments recognised in Note 8 and explained in Note 1(e) above.

In the opinion of the Board and the Manager, there are no critical accounting judgements.

2. Income	Year ended 30 November 2020 £'000	Year ended 30 November 2019 £'000
Income from investments:		
UK franked investment income	107	112
UK unfranked investment income	366	495
	473	607
Other income:		
Deposit interest	28	49
Total income	501	656

3. Investment management fees	Year ende	ed 30 Novem	ber 2020	Year ended 30 November 20		
	Revenue	Capital	Total	Revenue	Capital	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Investment management fees	190	572	762	160	478	638
Performance management fees	49	146	195	38	115	153
	239	718	957	198	593	791

Details of the fee basis are contained in the Directors' Report on pages 46 and 47.

4. Other expenses	Year ende Revenue £'000	ed 30 Novem Capital £'000	iber 2020 Total £'000	Year ende Revenue £'000	ed 30 Novem Capital £'000	ber 2019 Total £'000
Secretarial fees	88	-	88	86	-	86
Directors' remuneration	74	-	74	71	-	71
Fees to Auditor - audit of financial statements	27	-	27	24	-	24
Fees to Auditor - tax compliance services	-	-	-	4	-	4
Miscellaneous expenses	141	-	141	121	-	121
	330	-	330	306	-	306

5. Tax on ordinary activities	Year ende	d 30 Novem	ber 2020	Year ended 30 November 201		
	Revenue	Capital	Total	Revenue	Capital	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Corporation tax	(33)	33	-	7	(7)	-

The tax assessed for the period is at the rate of 19% (2019: 19%).

	Year ende Revenue £'000	ed 30 Novem Capital £'000	ıber 2020 Total £'000	Year ende Revenue £'000	d 30 Novemb Capital £'000	oer 2019 Total £'000
Net return on ordinary activities before taxation	(68)	724	656	152	367	519
Net return on ordinary activities before taxation multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax	(13)	138	125	28	70	98
Non taxable UK dividend income	(20)	-	(20)	(21)	-	(21)
Gains on investments	-	(274)	(274)	-	(182)	(182)
Increase in excess management expenses	-	169	169	-	105	105
	(33)	33	-	7	(7)	-

Losses with a tax value of £1,865,817 (2019: £1,515,986) are available to carry forward against future trading profits. These have not been recognised as a deferred tax asset as recoverability is not sufficiently certain.

6. Dividends	Year ended 30 November 2020 £'000	Year ended 30 November 2019 £'000
Revenue dividends		
Final revenue dividend for the year ended 30 November 2019 of 0.10p paid on		
20 April 2020 (2019: Nil)	123	-
	123	-
Capital dividends		
Final capital dividend for the year ended 30 November 2019 of 1.00p paid on 20 April 2020 (2019: Nil)	1,258	-
Interim capital dividend for the year ended 30 November 2020 of 0.50p paid on 28 August 2020 (2019: 0.50p)	624	634
20 //ugust 2020 (2013: 0.30p)	1,882	634
	1,002	
Total dividends	2,005	634
We set out below the final dividends proposed in respect of the financial year, which reflect the requirements of Section 274 of the Income Tax Act 2007. Revenue available for distribution by way of		145
dividends for the year	-	145
Revenue dividends		
Final revenue dividend proposed for the year ended 30 November 2020 of Nil (2019: 0.10p)		126
Nii (2019: 0.10p)	-	120
Capital dividends		
Final capital dividend proposed for the year ended 30 November 2020 of		
1.10p (2019: 1.00p)	1,365	1,261
	1,365	1,261

7. Return per Ordinary Share	Year ended 30 November 2020	Year ended 30 November 2019
The returns per share have been based on the following figures: Weighted average number of Ordinary Shares	125,305,497	117,646,559
Revenue return	(£35,000)	£145,000
Capital return	£691,000	£374,000
Total return	£656,000	£519,000

8. Investments	Listed (quoted prices) £'000	Year ended 30 AIM/AQSE (quoted prices) £'000	November 2020 Unlisted (unobservable inputs) £'000	Total £'000
Valuation at 30 November 2019	2,120	9,655	16,780	28,555
Unrealised (gain)/loss	(213)	923	2,093	2,803
Cost at 30 November 2019	1,907	10,578	18,873	31,358
Movements during the year:				
Transfers during the year	-	(510)	510	-
Purchases	483	515	6,348	7,346
Sales	-	(1,874)	(1,648)	(3,522)
Realised gain	-	1,387	347	1,734
Cost at 30 November 2020	2,390	10,096	24,430	36,916
Unrealised gain/(loss)	258	155	(3,508)	(3,095)
Valuation at 30 November 2020	2,648	10,251	20,922	33,821

Note 1(f) defines the three tier hierarchy of investments, and the significance of the information used to determine their fair value, that is required by Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 11 "Basic Financial Instruments". Listed and AIM/AQSE securities are categorised as Level 1 and unlisted investments as Level 3.

FRS 102 requires disclosure, by class of financial instrument, if the effect of changing one or more inputs to reasonably possible alternative assumptions would result in a significant change to the fair value measurement (see Note 16 for sensitivity analysis). The information used in determination of the fair value of Level 3 to the specific underlying investments is chosen with reference to the circumstances and position of each investee company.

LightwaveRF PLC and Clearstar Inc, which were AIM quoted stocks, delisted from AIM during the year.

8. Investments (continued) The portfolio valuation	30 November 2020 £'000	30 November 2019 £'000
Held at market valuation		
Investment trusts	2,648	2,120
AIM/AQSE quoted equities	10,251	9,655
	12,899	11,775
Unlisted at Directors' valuation:		
Unquoted unobservable equities	16,365	11,799
Unquoted unobservable fixed income	4,557	4,981
	20,922	16,780
Total	33,821	28,555
Realised gains on historical basis	1,734	233
Net (decrease) / increase in value of investments	(292)	727
Gains on investments	1,442	960

9. Participating interests

The principal activity of the Company is to select and hold a portfolio of investments in listed and unlisted securities. Although the Company will, in some cases, be represented on the board of the investee company, it will not take a controlling interest or become involved in the management. The size and structure of companies with unlisted securities may result in certain holdings in the portfolio representing a participating interest without there being any partnership, joint venture or management consortium agreement.

At 30 November, the Company held shares amounting to 20% or more of the equity capital of the following undertakings.

Investment	% of class held	% of equity held	Total cost £'000	Carrying value £'000	Latest accounts period end	Aggregate capital & reserves £'000	Profit/ (loss) after tax for year £'000
Delio Limited							
470 A ordinary shares	20.0	2.7	400	400	31/03/20	3,130	(771)
GradTouch Limited							
177,778 D ordinary shares	28.6	5.8	400	300	31/12/19	871	-
Precursive Limited							
176,984 D ordinary shares	20.0	4.3	500	500	31/01/20	(218)	(235)

Details of equity percentages held are shown in the Investment Portfolio Summary on pages 41 to 43.

10. Debtors	30 November 2020 £'000	30 November 2019 £'000
Current taxation	-	3
Prepayments and accrued income	177	191
Other debtors	65	92
	242	286

11. Creditors	30 November 2020 £'000	30 November 2019 £'000
Accruals	240	191
Other creditors	230	174
	470	365

12. Share capital	30 November 2020 Number £'000		30 Nov Number	vember 2019 £'000
At 30 November the authorised share capital comprised:				
Allotted, issued and fully paid Ordinary Shares of 10p each:				
Balance brought forward	126,086,158	12,608	75,275,587	7,527
Ordinary Shares repurchased during the year	(2,179,028)	(218)	(2,035,000)	(203)
Ordinary Shares issued during the year	148,790	15	52,845,571	5,284
Balance carried forward	124,055,920	12,405	126,086,158	12,608

During the year, 2,179,028 Ordinary Shares (2019: 2,035,000) were bought back in the market by the Company at a total cost of £674,552 (2019: £668,515) and cancelled.

Also during the year, the Company issued 148,790 shares (2019: 153,204) under a DIS election at price of 34.34p (2019: 37.06p).

Subsequent to the year end, the Company bought back 700,000 shares for cancellation at a cost of £232,155.

Also after the year end, the Company issued 24,921,994 shares pursuant to an Offer for Subscription at prices ranging from 36.38p to 36.86p per share.

13. Reserves

Share premium account

The share premium account represents the premium above nominal value received by the Company on issuing shares net of issue costs. This reserve is non-distributable.

Capital redemption reserve

The nominal value of shares repurchased and cancelled is represented in the capital redemption reserve. This reserve is non-distributable.

Capital reserve - unrealised

Increases and decreases in the fair value of investments are recognised in the Income Statement and are then transferred to the capital reserve unrealised account. This reserve is non-distributable.

Capital reserve - realised

Gains or losses on investments realised in the year that have been recognised in the Income Statement are transferred to the capital reserve realised account on disposal. Furthermore, any prior unrealised gains or losses on such investments are transferred from the capital reserve unrealised account to the capital reserve realised account on disposal. This reserve is distributable.

Special distributable reserve

The total cost to the Company of the repurchase and cancellation of shares is represented in the special distributable reserve account. The special distributable reserve also represents capital dividends, capital investment management fees and the tax effect of capital items. This reserve is distributable.

Revenue reserve

The revenue reserve represents accumulated profits retained by the Company that have not been distributed to Shareholders as a dividend. This reserve is distributable.

14. Net asset value per Ordinary Share

The net asset value per Ordinary Share and the net asset value attributable to the Ordinary Shares at the year end, calculated in accordance with the Articles of Association were as follows:

	30 November 2020		30	November 2019
	Net asset value per share	value per value		Net asset value attributable
	p £'000		р	£'000
Ordinary Shares	36.38	45,136	37.37	47,124

The number of Ordinary Shares used in this calculation is set out in Note 12.

15. Reconciliation of net return to cash utilised by operations	Year ended 30 November 2020 £'000	Year ended 30 November 2019 £'000
Net return	656	519
Adjustment for:		
Gains on Investments	(1,442)	(960)
Operating cash flow before movement in working capital	(786)	(441)
Increase / (decrease) in accruals	49	(121)
Decrease in debtors	17	43
Cash utilised by operations	(720)	(519)

16. Financial instruments

The Company's financial instruments comprise equity and fixed interest investments, cash balances and debtors and creditors that arise directly from its operations, for example, in respect of sales and purchases awaiting settlement, and debtors for accrued income. The Company holds financial assets in accordance with its investment policy of investing mainly in a portfolio of VCT qualifying unquoted and AIM quoted securities. The Company may not enter into derivative transactions in the form of forward foreign currency contracts, futures and options without the written permission of the Directors. No derivative transactions were entered into during the period.

The main risks the Company faces from its financial instruments are (i) market price risk, being the risk that the value of investment holdings will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices caused by factors other than interest rates, (ii) interest rate risk, (iii) liquidity risk, (iv) credit risk and (v) price risk sensitivity.

In line with the Company's investment objective, the portfolio comprises mainly sterling currency securities and therefore foreign currency risk is minimal.

The Manager's policies for managing these risks are summarised below and have been applied throughout the year. The numerical disclosures below exclude short term debtors and creditors which are included in the Balance Sheet at fair value.

(i) Market price risk

The Company's investment portfolio is exposed to market price fluctuations, which are monitored by the Manager in pursuance of the investment objective as set out on page 15. Adherence to investment guidelines and to investment and borrowing powers set out in the management agreement mitigates the risk of excessive exposure to any particular type of security or issuer. These powers and guidelines include the requirement to invest across a range of industrial and service sectors at varying stages of development, to closely monitor the progress of the investee companies and to appoint a non-executive director to the board of each company. Further information on the investment portfolio (including sector concentration and deal type analysis) is set out in the Analysis of Unlisted and Quoted Portfolio, Investment Manager's Review, Summary of Investment Changes, Investment Portfolio Summary and Largest Investments by valuation.

(ii) Interest rate risk

The interest rate risk profile of financial assets at the balance sheet date was as follows:

At 30 November 2020	Fixed interest £'000	Floating rate £'000	Non-interest bearing £'000
Sterling:			
Unlisted and AIM/AQSE	4,557	-	26,616
Investment trusts	-	-	2,648
Cash	-	6,592	4,951
	4,557	6,592	34,215

At 30 November 2019	Fixed interest £'000	Floating rate £'000	Non-interest bearing £'000
Sterling:			
Unlisted and AIM/AQSE	4,981	-	21,454
Investment trusts	-	-	2,120
Cash	-	9,889	8,759
	4,981	9,889	32,333

The unlisted fixed interest assets have a weighted average life of 1.29 years (2019: 1.75 years) and a weighted average interest rate of 10.7% (2019: 10.7%). The floating rate assets consist of cash. These assets are earning interest at prevailing money market rates. The non-interest bearing assets represent the equity element of the portfolio. All assets and liabilities of the Company are included in the Balance Sheet at fair value.

The floating rate investments only comprise cash held on interest bearing deposit accounts. The benchmark rate which determines the rate of interest receivable on cash is the bank base rate which was 0.10% at 30 November 2020 (2019: 0.75%). A 0.25% increase or decrease in the base rate would mean an increase or decrease of interest received in the year of £16,481 (2019: £24,723). The impact of a change of 0.25% has been selected as this is considered reasonable given the current level of the Bank of England base rates and market expectations for future movement.

16. Financial instruments (continued)

Maturity profile

The maturity profile of the Company's financial assets at the balance sheet date was as follows:

At 30 November 2020	Within 1 year £'000	Within 1-2 years £'000	Within 2-3 years £'000	Within 3-4 years £'000	Within 4-5 years £'000	Total £'000
Unlisted	3,110	776	73	38	560	4,557
	3,110	776	73	38	560	4,557

At 30 November 2019	Within 1 year £'000	Within 1-2 years £'000	Within 2-3 years £'000	Within 3-4 years £'000	Within 4-5 years £'000	Total £'000
Unlisted	2,432	1,500	874	73	102	4,981
	2,432	1,500	874	73	102	4,981

(iii) Liquidity risk

Due to their nature, unlisted investments may not be readily realisable and therefore a portfolio of listed assets and cash is held to offset this liquidity risk. Note 8 details the three-tier hierarchy of inputs used as at 30 November 2020 in valuing the Company's investments carried at fair value.

The Company, generally, does not hold significant cash balances and any cash held is with reputable banks with high quality external credit ratings.

(iv) Credit risk

This is the risk that a counterparty to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation or commitment that it has entered into with the Company.

The Company's financial assets exposed to credit risk amounted to the following:

	30 November 2020 £'000	30 November 2019 £'000
Investments in unlisted debt securities	4,557	4,981
Investment trusts	2,648	2,120
Cash	11,543	18,648
	18,748	25,749

All assets which are traded on a recognised exchange are held by JPMorgan Chase Bank (JPM), the company's custodian. Cash balances are held by JPM, Clydesdale Bank, RBSI and Barclays Bank. Should the credit quality or the financial position of any of these institutions deteriorate significantly the Manager will move these assets to another financial institution.

The Manager evaluates credit risk on unlisted debt securities and financial commitments and guarantees prior to investment, and as part of the ongoing monitoring of investments. In doing this, it takes into account the extent and quality of any security held. Typically, unlisted debt securities have a fixed charge over the assets of the investee company in order to mitigate the gross credit risk. The Manager receives management accounts from investee companies, and members of the investment management team sit on the boards of investee companies; this enables the close identification, monitoring and management of investment specific credit risk.

There were no significant concentrations of credit risk to counterparties at 30 November 2020 or 30 November 2019.

16. Financial instruments (continued)

(v) Price risk sensitivity

The following details the Company's sensitivity to a 10% increase or decrease in the market prices of AIM/AQSE quoted securities, with 10% being the Manager's assessment of a reasonable possible change in market prices.

At 30 November 2020, if market prices of AIM/AQSE quoted securities had been 10% higher or lower and with all other variables held constant, the increase or decrease in net assets attributable to Ordinary Shareholders for the year would have been £1,025,100 (2019: £965,500) due to the change on valuation of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

At 30 November 2020, if prices of unlisted securities had been 10% higher or lower with all other variables held constant, the increase or decrease in net assets attributable to Ordinary Shareholders for the year would have been £2,092,200 (2019: £1,678,000) due to the change on valuation of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

At 30 November 2020, 46.4% (2019: 35.6%) of the Company's net assets comprised investments in unlisted securities held at fair value. The valuation of unlisted securities reflects a number of factors, including the performance of the investee company itself and the wider market, and any uncertainty surrounding the implications of the UK's departure from the EU and uncertainties associated with COVID-19.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Maven Income and Growth VCT 5 PLC (the Company: Registered in England and Wales with registered number 4084875) will be held at 11.30am on Tuesday, 27 April 2021 at the offices of Maven Capital Partners UK LLP, Kintyre House, 205 West George Street, Glasgow G2 2LW, for the purposes of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Resolutions:

Ordinary Resolutions

- 1. To receive the Directors' Report and audited Financial Statements for the year ended 30 November 2020.
- 2. To approve the Directors' Remuneration Report for the year ended 30 November 2020.
- 3. To approve a final dividend of 1.10p per Ordinary Share of 10p each in the capital of the Company (Ordinary Shares) for payment on 7 May 2021 to Shareholders on the register at the close of business on 9 April 2021.
- 4. To re-elect Graham Miller as a Director.
- 5. To re-elect Gordon Humphries as a Director.
- 6. To re-elect Charles Young as a Director.
- 7. To re-appoint Deloitte LLP as Auditor.
- 8. To authorise the Directors to fix the remuneration of the Auditor.
- 9. That the Directors be and are hereby generally and unconditionally authorised under Section 551 of the Companies Act 2006 (the Act) to exercise all the powers of the Company to allot Ordinary Shares, or grant rights to subscribe for or convert any security into Ordinary Shares, up to an aggregate nominal amount of £1,482,779 (equivalent to 14,827,790 Ordinary Shares or 10% of the total issued share capital as at 12 March 2021) provided that this authority shall expire at the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company or on the expiry of 15 months from the passing of this Resolution, whichever is the first to occur, and so that the Company may before such expiry, make an offer or agreement which would or might require relevant securities to be allotted after such expiry and the Directors may allot relevant securities in pursuance of such offer or agreement as if the authority conferred had not expired.

Special Resolutions

- 10. That, subject to the passing of Resolution 9, the Directors be and hereby are empowered, under Section 571 of the Act, to allot equity securities (as defined in Section 560 of the Act) under the authority conferred by Resolution 9 for cash as if Section 561(1) of the Act did not apply to the allotment, provided that this power shall be limited to the allotment:
 - a) of equity securities in connection with an offer of such securities by way of a rights issue only to holders of Ordinary Shares in proportion (as nearly as practicable) to their respective holdings of such Ordinary Shares but subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or any legal or practical problems under the laws of any territory, or the requirements of any regulatory body or stock exchange;
 - b) (other than under paragraph (a) above) of equity securities up to an aggregate nominal amount not exceeding £1,482,779 (equivalent to 14,827,790 Ordinary Shares or 10% of the total issued share capital as at 12 March 2021); and
 - c) in each case where the proceeds may be used in whole or in part to purchase existing Ordinary Shares and shall expire at the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company or on the expiry of 15 months from the passing of this Resolution, whichever is the first to occur, save that the Company may, before such expiry, make an offer or agreement which would or might require equity securities to be allotted after such expiry and the Directors may allot equity securities in pursuance of such offer or agreement as if the power conferred hereby had not expired.
- 11. That, the Company be and hereby is generally and, subject as hereinafter appears, unconditionally authorised in accordance with Section 701 of the Act to make market purchases (within the meaning of Section 693(4) of the Act) of Ordinary Shares, provided always that:
 - a) the maximum number of Ordinary Shares hereby authorised to be purchased is 22,226,859 (being 14.99% of the total issued share capital as at 12 March 2021);
 - b) the minimum price, exclusive of expenses, that may be paid for an Ordinary Share shall be 10p per share;
 - c) the maximum price exclusive of expenses, that may be paid for an Ordinary Share shall be not more than an amount equal to the higher of:
 - (i) 105% of the average of the closing middle market price for the Ordinary Shares as derived from the London Stock Exchange's Daily Official List for the five business days immediately preceding the date on which the Ordinary Shares are purchased; and
 - (ii) the price stipulated by Article 5(1) of Commission Regulation (EC) No. 273/2003 (the Buy-back and Stabilisation Regulation); and
 - (d) unless previously renewed, varied or revoked, the authority hereby conferred shall expire at the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company or, if earlier, on the expiry of 15 months from the passing of this Resolution, save that the Company may before such expiry enter into a contract to purchase Ordinary Shares which will or may be completed wholly or partly after such expiry.
- 12. That a general meeting, other than an annual general meeting, may be called on not less than 14 days' clear notice.

By order of the Board Maven Capital Partners UK LLP Secretary Fifth Floor 1-2 Royal Exchange Buildings London EC3V 3LF 15 March 2021

NOTES:

Entitlement to attend and vote

1) To be entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting (and for the purposes of the determination by the Company of the votes that may be cast in accordance with Regulation 41 of the Uncertified Securities Regulations 2001), only those members registered in the Company's register of members at close of business on 23 April 2021 (or, if the Meeting is adjourned, by close of business on the date which is two business days before the adjourned Meeting) shall be entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting. Changes to the register of members of the Company after the relevant deadline shall be disregarded in determining the rights of any person to attend and vote at the Meeting.

Website giving information regarding the Meeting

2) Information regarding the Meeting, including the information required by Section 311A of the Companies Act 2006, is available from **www.mavencp.com/migvct5**.

Attending in person

3) Please note the guidance on attendance provided in the Chairman's Statement on page 13.

Appointment of proxies

- 4) If you are a member of the Company at the time set out in note 1 above, you are entitled to appoint a proxy to exercise all or any of your rights to attend, speak and vote at the Meeting and you should have received a proxy form with this Notice of Annual General Meeting. You can appoint a proxy only using the procedures set out in these notes and the notes to the proxy form.
- 5) If you are not a member of the Company but you have been nominated by a member of the Company to enjoy information rights, you do not have a right to appoint any proxies under the procedures set out in this "Appointment of proxies" section. Please read the section "Nominated persons" below.
- 6) A proxy does not need to be a member of the Company but must attend the Meeting to represent you. Details of how to appoint the Chairman of the Meeting or another person as your proxy using the proxy form are set out in the notes to the proxy form. If you wish your proxy to speak on your behalf at the Meeting, you will need to appoint your own choice of proxy (not the Chairman) and give your instructions directly to them.
- 7) You may appoint more than one proxy, provided each proxy is appointed to exercise rights attached to different shares. You may not appoint more than one proxy to exercise rights attached to any one share. To appoint more than one proxy, please copy the proxy form, indicate on each form how many shares it relates to, and attach them together.
- 8) A vote withheld is not a vote in law, which means that the vote will not be counted in the calculation of votes for or against the resolution. If no voting indication is given, your proxy will vote or abstain from voting at his or her discretion. Your proxy will vote (or abstain from voting) as he or she thinks fit in relation to any other matter which is put before the Meeting.

Appointment of proxy using hard copy proxy form

9) A proxy form is enclosed with this document. The notes to the proxy form explain how to direct your proxy to vote or withhold their vote on each Resolution. To appoint a proxy using the proxy form, the form must be completed, signed and sent or delivered to the Company's registrars, Link Group, 10th Floor, Central Square, 29 Wellington Street, Leeds LS1 4DL so as to be received by Link Group no later than 11.30am on 23 April 2021 or by close of business on a date two business days prior to that appointed for any adjourned Meeting or, in the case of a poll taken subsequent to the date of the Meeting or adjourned Meeting, so as to be received no later than 24 hours before the time appointed for taking the poll. In the case of a member which is a company, the proxy form must be executed under its common seal or signed on its behalf by an officer of the company or an attorney for the company. Any power of attorney or any other authority under which the proxy form is signed (or a duly certified copy of such power or authority) must be included with the proxy form. For the purposes of determining the time for delivery of proxies, no account has been taken of any part of a day that is not a working day.

Appointment of a proxy on-line

10) You may submit your proxy electronically using the Share Portal service at **www.signalshares.com**. Shareholders can use this service to vote or appoint a proxy on-line. The same voting deadline of 48 hours (excluding non-working days) before the time of the Meeting applies as if you were using your personalised proxy form to vote or appoint a proxy by post to vote for you. Shareholders will need to use the unique personal identification Investor Code printed on your share certificate. Shareholders should not show this information to anyone unless they wish to give proxy instructions on their behalf.

Appointment of proxies through CREST

11) CREST members who wish to appoint a proxy or proxies by utilising the CREST electronic proxy appointment service may do so for the Meeting and any adjournment(s) of it by using the procedures described in the CREST Manual (available from https://www.euroclear.com/site/public/EUI). CREST Personal Members or other CREST sponsored members, and those CREST members who have appointed a voting service provider(s), should refer to their CREST sponsor or voting service provider(s), who will be able to take the appropriate action on their behalf. In order for a proxy appointment made by means of CREST to be valid, the appropriate CREST message (a CREST Proxy Instruction) must be properly authenticated in accordance with Euroclear UK & Ireland Limited's (EUI) specifications and must contain the information required for such instructions, as described in the CREST Manual. The message must be transmitted so as to be received by the issuer's agent (ID: RA10) by 11.30am on 23 April 2021. For this purpose, the time of receipt will be taken to be the time (as determined by the timestamp applied to the message by the CREST Applications Host) from which the issuer's agent is able to retrieve the message by enquiry to CREST in the manner prescribed by CREST.

CREST members and, where applicable, their CREST sponsors or voting service providers should note that EUI does not make available special procedures in CREST for any particular messages. Normal system timings and limitations will therefore apply in relation to the input of CREST Proxy Instructions. It is the responsibility of the CREST member concerned to take (or, if the CREST member is a CREST personal member or sponsored member or has appointed a voting service provider(s), to procure that his CREST sponsor or voting service provider(s) take(s)) such action as shall be necessary to ensure that a message is transmitted by means of the CREST system by any particular time.

In this connection, CREST members and, where applicable, their CREST sponsors or voting service providers are referred, in particular, to those sections of the CREST Manual concerning practical limitations of the CREST system and timings. The Company may treat as invalid a CREST Proxy Instruction in the circumstances set out in Regulation 35(5)(a) of the Uncertificated Securities Regulations 2001.

Appointment of proxy by joint members

12) In the case of joint holders, where more than one of the joint holders purports to appoint a proxy, only the appointment submitted by the most senior holder will be accepted. Seniority is determined by the order in which the names of the joint holders appear in the Company's register of members in respect of the joint holding, the first-named being the most senior.

Changing proxy instructions

13) To change your proxy instructions simply submit a new proxy appointment using the methods set out above. Note that the cut-off times for receipt of proxy appointments (see above) also apply in relation to amended instructions; any amended proxy appointment received after the relevant cut-off time will be disregarded. Where you have appointed a proxy using the hard-copy proxy form and would like to change the instructions using another hard-copy proxy form, please contact the Registrars, Link Group, at the address shown in note 9. If you submit more than one valid proxy appointment, the appointment received last before the latest time for the receipt of proxies will take precedence.

Termination of proxy appointments

14) In order to revoke a proxy instruction you will need to inform the Company by sending a signed hard copy notice clearly stating your intention to revoke your proxy appointment to Link Group, at the address shown in note 9. In the case of a member which is a company, the revocation notice must be executed under its common seal or signed on its behalf by an officer of the company or an attorney for the company. Any power of attorney or any other authority under which the revocation notice is signed, or a duly certified copy of such power or authority, must be included with the revocation notice. The revocation notice must be received by Link Group no later than 48 hours before the Meeting. If you attempt to revoke your proxy appointment but the revocation is received after the time specified then, subject to the paragraph directly below, your proxy appointment will remain valid. Appointment of a proxy does not preclude you from attending the Meeting and voting in person. If you have appointed a proxy and attend the Meeting in person, your proxy appointment will automatically be terminated.

Corporate representatives

15) A corporation which is a member can appoint one or more corporate representatives who may exercise, on its behalf, all its powers as a member provided that no more than one corporate representative exercises powers over the same share.

Issued shares and total voting rights

16) As at 12 March 2021, the Company's issued share capital comprised 148,277,914 Ordinary Shares of 10p each. Each Ordinary Share carries the right to one vote at the Annual General Meeting of the Company and, therefore, the total number of voting rights in the Company on 12 March 2021 is 148,277,914. The website referred to in note 2 will include information on the number of shares and voting rights.

Questions at the meeting

- 17) Under Section 319A of the Act, the Company must answer any question you ask relating to the business being dealt with at the Meeting unless:
 - answering the question would interfere unduly with the preparation for the Meeting or involve the disclosure of confidential information;
 - the answer has already been given on a website in the form of an answer to a question; or
 - it is undesirable in the interests of the Company or the good order of the Meeting that the question be answered.

Website publication of audit concerns

- 18) Pursuant to Chapter 5 of Part 16 of the Act (Sections 527 to 531), where requested by a member or members meeting the qualification criteria set out at note 19 below, the Company must publish on its website, a statement setting out any matter that such members propose to raise at the Meeting relating to the audit of the Company's accounts (including the Auditor's Report and the conduct of the audit) that are to be laid before the Meeting. The request:
 - may be in hard copy form or in electronic form (see note 20 below);
 - must either set out the statement in full or, if supporting a statement sent by another member, clearly identify the statement which is being supported;
 - must be authenticated by the person or persons making it (see note 20 below); and
 - must be received by the Company at least one week before the Meeting. Where the Company is required to publish such a statement on its website:
 - it may not require the members making the request to pay any expenses incurred by the Company in complying with the request;
 - it must forward the statement to the Company's Auditor no later than the time the statement is made available on the Company's website; and
 - the statement may be dealt with as part of the business of the Meeting.

Members' qualification criteria

19) In order to be able to exercise the members' rights under note 18 the relevant request must be made by a member or members having a right to vote at the Meeting and holding at least 5% of total voting rights of the Company, or at least 100 members having a right to vote at the Meeting and holding, on average, at least £100 of paid up share capital. For information on voting rights, including the total number of voting rights, see note 16 above and the website referred to in note 2.

Submission of hard copy and electronic requests and authentication requirements

- 20) Where a member or members wishes to request the Company to publish audit concerns (see note 18) such request must be made in accordance with one of the following ways:
 - a hard copy request which is signed by you, states your full name and address and is sent to The Secretary, Maven Income and Growth VCT 5 PLC, c/o Maven Capital Partners UK LLP, Kintyre House, 205 West George Street, Glasgow G2 2LW; or
 - a request which states your full name, address, and investor code, and is sent to **enquiries@mavencp.com** stating "AGM" in the subject field.

Nominated persons

- 21) If you are a person who has been nominated under Section 146 of the Act to enjoy information rights (Nominated Person):
 - you may have a right under an agreement between you and the member of the Company who has nominated you to have information rights (Relevant Member) to be appointed or to have someone else appointed as a proxy for the Meeting;
 - if you either do not have such a right or if you have such a right but do not wish to exercise it, you may have a right under an agreement between you and the Relevant Member to give instructions to the Relevant Member as to the exercise of voting rights; and
 - your main point of contact in terms of your investment in the Company remains the Relevant Member (or, perhaps, your custodian or broker) and you should continue to contact them (and not the Company) regarding any changes or queries relating to your personal details and your interest in the Company (including any administrative matters). The only exception to this is where the Company expressly requests a response from you.

Documents on display

22) Copies of the letters of appointment of the Directors of the Company and a copy of the Articles of Association of the Company will be available for inspection at the registered office of the Company and at the offices of Maven Capital Partners UK LLP, Kintyre House, 205 West George Street, Glasgow G2 2LW from the date of this notice until the end of the Meeting.

Communication

- 23) Except as provided above, members who have general queries about the Meeting should use the following means of communication (no other methods of communication will be accepted):
 - calling Maven Capital Partners UK LLP (the Secretary) on 0141 306 7400; or
 - e-mailing enquiries@mavencp.com, stating "AGM" in the subject field.

Members' Rights to Require Circulation of Resolution to be Proposed at the Meeting

- 24) Under Section 338 of the Act, a member or members meeting the qualification criteria set out at note 19, may, subject to conditions, require the Company to give to members notice of a Resolution which may properly be moved and is intended to be moved at that Meeting. The conditions are that:
 - the Resolution must not, if passed, be ineffective (whether by reason of inconsistency with any enactment or the Company's constitution or otherwise);
 - the Resolution must not be defamatory of any person, frivolous or vexatious;
 - the request may be in hard copy form or in electronic form (see note 20) and must identify the Resolution of which notice is to be given by either setting out the Resolution in full or, if supporting a Resolution sent by another member, clearly identifying the Resolution which is being supported;
 - the request must be authenticated by the person or persons making it (see note 20);
 - the request must be received by the Company not later than six weeks before the Meeting to which the request relates;
 - in the case of a request made in hard copy form, such request must be authenticated by providing your full name, address and investor code and sent to the Secretary at the address stated in note 20; and
 - in the case of a request made in electronic form, such request must be authenticated as set out above and sent to enquiries@mavencp.com, stating "AGM" in the subject field.

Members' Right to Have a Matter of Business Dealt With at the Meeting

- 25) Under Section 338A of the Companies Act 2006, a member or members meeting the qualification criteria set out at note 19, may, subject to conditions, require the Company to include in the business to be dealt with at the Meeting a matter (other than a proposed Resolution) which may properly be included in the business (a matter of business). The conditions are that:
 - the matter of business must not be defamatory of any person, frivolous or vexatious;
 - the request may be in hard copy form or in electronic form (see note 20);
 - the request must identify the matter of business by either setting it out in full or, if supporting the statement sent by another member, clearly identify the matter of business which is being supported;
 - the request must be accompanied by a statement setting out the grounds for the request;
 - the request must be authenticated by the person or persons making it (see note 20); and
 - the request must be received by the Company not later than six weeks before the Meeting to which the request relates.

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EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

An explanation of the Resolutions to be proposed at the AGM is set out below. Resolutions 1 to 9 will be proposed as Ordinary Resolutions requiring the approval of more than 50% of the votes cast and Resolutions 10 to 12 will be proposed as Special Resolutions requiring the approval of 75% or more of the votes cast.

Resolution 1 – Annual Report and Financial Statements

The Directors seek approval to receive the Directors' Report and audited Financial Statements for the year ended 30 November 2020 which are included within the Annual Report.

Resolution 2 – Directors' Remuneration Report

The Board seeks the approval of the Directors' Remuneration Report for the year ended 30 November 2020, which is also included within the Annual Report.

Resolution 3 – Final Dividend

The Company's Shareholders will be asked to approve a final dividend of 1.10p per Ordinary Share for the year ended 30 November 2020 for payment on 7 May 2021 to Shareholders on the register as at close of business on 9 April 2021.

Resolution 4 – Re-election of a Director

As the Board has resolved that each Director should stand for re-election on an annual basis, Graham Miller will retire at the Annual General Meeting and, being eligible, is offering himself for re-election.

Resolution 5 – Re-election of a Director

As the Board has resolved that each Director should stand for re-election on an annual basis, Gordon Humphries will retire at the Annual General Meeting and, being eligible, is offering himself for re-election.

Resolution 6 – Re-election of a Director

As the Board has resolved that each Director should stand for re-election on an annual basis, Charles Young will retire at the Annual General Meeting and, being eligible, is offering himself for re-election.

Resolution 7 – Re-appointment of Auditor

Shareholders will be asked to approve the re-appointment of Deloitte LLP as the Company's Auditor, Deloitte LLP having expressed their willingness to act.

Resolution 8 – Remuneration of Auditor

Shareholders will be asked to give the Directors' authority to fix the remuneration of Deloitte LLP.

Resolution 9 – Authority to Allot Shares

The Directors are seeking authority pursuant to Section 551 of the Act for the Company to allot Ordinary Shares or rights to subscribe for Ordinary Shares up to an aggregate nominal value of £1,482,779. This amounts to 14,827,790 Ordinary Shares representing approximately 10% of the issued share capital as at 12 March 2021 (this being the latest practicable date prior to the publication of this Annual Report). This authority will be used for the purposes set out in Resolution 9. The authority conferred by Resolution 9 will expire at the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company or on the expiry of 15 months from the passing of the Resolution, whichever is the first to occur.

Resolution 10 – Waiver of Statutory Pre-emption Rights

Shareholders will be asked to grant authority to the Directors to allot Ordinary Shares: (i) on a pre-emptive basis to existing Shareholders as far as possible, subject to excluding circumstances where it is impractical to apply the strict pro-rating; and (ii) otherwise allot Ordinary Shares or rights to subscribe for Ordinary Shares up to an aggregate nominal value of £1,482,779 (being 14,827,790 Ordinary Shares representing approximately 10% of the issued share capital as at 12 March 2021, this being the latest practicable date prior to the publication of this Annual Report) as if the pre-emption rights of Section 561 of the Act did not apply, in each case where the proceeds may be used in whole or in part to purchase existing Ordinary Shares. The authority conferred by Resolution 10 will expire at the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company or on the expiry of 15 months from the passing of the Resolution, whichever is the first to occur.

The Board may use the authorities conferred under Resolutions 9 and 10 to allot further Ordinary Shares or rights to subscribe for them.

Resolution 11 – Purchase of Own Shares

Shareholders will be asked to authorise the Company to make market purchases of up to 22,226,859 Ordinary Shares (representing approximately 14.99% of the issued share capital as at 12 March 2021, this being the latest practicable date prior to the publication of this Annual Report). The Resolution sets out the minimum and maximum prices that can be paid, exclusive of expenses, and Ordinary Shares bought back may be cancelled or held in treasury as may be determined by the Board. The authority conferred by Resolution 11 will expire at the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company or on the expiry of 15 months from the passing of the Resolution, whichever is the first to occur. Once held in treasury, such Ordinary Shares may be sold for cash or cancelled. The Board may use this authority to allow the Company to continue to operate its share buy-back policy.

Resolution 12 – Notice of General Meetings

The Directors propose to preserve the Company's ability to call general meetings (other than annual general meetings) on 14 clear days' notice, as previously approved by Shareholders at the last annual general meeting. Resolution 12 seeks such approval and would be effective until the Company's next AGM when it would be intended that a similar Resolution be proposed. It is anticipated that, if confirmed, such authority will only be used in exceptional circumstances. The Company will also need to meet the requirements for electronic voting before it can call a general meeting on 14 days' notice.

GLOSSARY

Alternative Performance Measures (APMs)	Measures of performance that are in addition to the statutory measures reported in the Financial Statements. The APMs used by the Company are marked * in this Glossary. The table in the Financial Highlights section on page 5 shows the movement in net asset value and NAV total return per Ordinary Share over the past three financial periods, and shows the dividends declared in respect of each of the past three financial periods and on a cumulative basis since inception.
Annual yield*	The total dividends paid for the financial year expressed as a percentage of the share price at the year end date.
Cumulative dividends paid*	The total amount of both capital and income distributions paid since the launch of the Company.
Discount/premium to NAV*	A discount is the percentage by which the mid-market price of an investment is lower than the net asset value per Ordinary Share. A premium is the percentage by which the mid-market price per share of an investment exceeds the net asset value per Ordinary Share.
Distributable reserves	Comprises capital reserve (realised), revenue reserve and special distributable reserve.
Dividend per Ordinary Share	The total of all dividends per Ordinary Share paid by the Company in respect of the year.
Earnings per Ordinary Share (EPS)	The net income after tax of the Company divided by the weighted average number of shares in issue during the year. In a venture capital trust, this is made up of revenue EPS and capital EPS.
Ex-dividend date (XD date)	The date set by the London Stock Exchange, normally being the business day preceding the record date.
Index or indices	A market index calculates the average performance of its constituents, normally on a weighted basis. It provides a means of assessing the overall state of the economy and provides a comparison against which the performance of individual investments can be assessed.
Investment income	Income from investments as reported in the Income Statement.
NAV per Ordinary Share	Net assets divided by the number of Ordinary Shares in issue.
NAV total return per Ordinary Share*	Net assets divided by the number of Ordinary Shares in issue, plus cumulative dividends paid per Ordinary Share to date.
Net assets attributable to Ordinary Shareholders or Shareholders' funds (NAV)	Total assets less current and long-term liabilities.
Operational expenses	The total of investment management fees and other expenses as reported in the Income Statement.
Realised gains/losses	The profit/loss on the sale of investments during the year.
Record date	The date on which an investor needs to be holding a share in order to qualify for a forthcoming dividend.
Revenue reserves	The total of undistributed revenue earnings from prior years. This is available for distribution to Shareholders by way of dividend payments.
Total return	The theoretical return including reinvesting each dividend in additional shares in the Company at the current mid-market price on the day that the shares go ex-dividend. The NAV total return involves investing the same net dividend at the NAV of the Company on the ex-dividend date.
Unrealised gains/losses	The profit/loss on the revaluation of the investment portfolio at the end of the year.

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