

Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC

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Company information

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Investment objectives

Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC (the “Company”) is a Venture Capital Trust which raised £45 million under the Offer for Subscription which closed in March 2005. The Company raised a further £1.67 million in early 2011 under the Albion VCTs Linked Top Up Offer. The Company aims to provide investors with a regular and predictable source of income combined with the prospect of long term capital growth.

The Company allows investors the opportunity to participate in a balanced portfolio of high growth businesses and lower risk, asset-based companies. It is intended that in time the Company’s investment portfolio will be split approximately as follows:

- 45 per cent. to be invested in unquoted higher growth businesses, including early stage technology;
- 45 per cent. to be invested in unquoted asset-based businesses in the leisure sector; and
- 10 per cent. to be held in floating rate securities, cash deposits and gilts.

Financial calendar

Record date for first dividend	6 January 2012
Payment of first dividend	31 January 2012
Annual General Meeting	6 February 2012
Announcement of half-yearly results for the six months ended 31 March 2012	May 2012
Payment of second dividend subject to Board approval	June 2012

Financial highlights

83.86p

Net asset value plus dividends since launch to 30 September 2011

3.50p

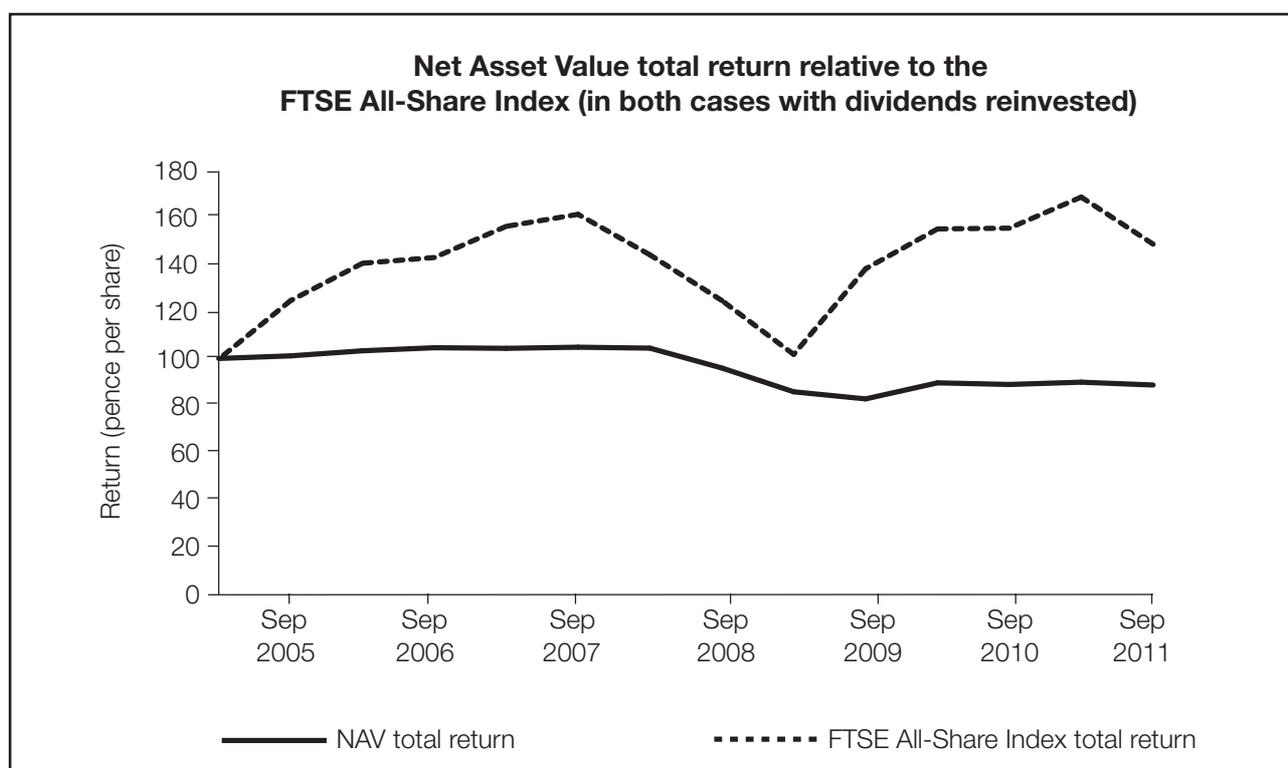
Tax free dividend per share paid in the year to 30 September 2011

64.16p

Net asset value per share as at 30 September 2011

1.75p

First tax free dividend per share declared for the year to 30 September 2012



Source: Albion Ventures LLP

Methodology: The net asset value return to the shareholder, including original amount invested after issue costs (rebased to 100) from launch, assuming that dividends were re-invested at net asset value of the Company at the time the shares were quoted ex-dividend. Transaction costs are not taken into account.

Financial highlights continued

	30 September 2011 (pence per share)	30 September 2010 (pence per share)
Net asset value per share	64.16	67.81
Dividends paid	3.50	3.00
Revenue return per share	1.22	1.79
Capital (loss)/gain per share	(1.62)	2.36

Total shareholder net asset value return to 30 September 2011:		(pence per share)
Total dividends paid during the period ended:	30 September 2005 (i)	0.65
Total dividends paid during the year ended:	30 September 2006	2.60
	30 September 2007	3.45
	30 September 2008	3.50
	30 September 2009	3.00
	30 September 2010	3.00
	30 September 2011	3.50
Total dividends paid to 30 September 2011		19.70
Net asset value as at 30 September 2011		64.16
Total shareholder net asset value return to 30 September 2011		83.86

In addition to the dividends summarised above, the Board has declared a first dividend for the new financial year, of 1.75 pence per share to be paid on 31 January 2012 to shareholders on the register as at 6 January 2012.

Notes

- (i) Investors subscribing by 31 December 2004 and remaining on the register on 1 July 2005 were entitled to a dividend of 0.65 pence per share. Investors subscribing thereafter were not entitled to the first interim dividend.
- (ii) These figures exclude tax benefits upon subscription of 40 per cent. income tax relief.
- (iii) All dividends paid by the Company are free of income tax. It is an HM Revenue & Customs requirement that dividend vouchers indicate the tax element should dividends have been subject to income tax. Investors should ignore this figure on their dividend voucher and need not disclose any income they receive from a VCT on their tax return.
- (iv) The net asset value of the Company is not its share price as quoted on the official list of the London Stock Exchange. The share price of the Company can be found in the Investment Companies – VCTs section of the Financial Times on a daily basis. Investors are reminded that it is common for shares in VCTs to trade at a discount to their net asset value, partly as a result of the initial tax reliefs which are non-transferable.

Chairman's statement

Introduction

The year to 30 September 2011 saw a small negative total return of 0.40 pence per share. This is a disappointing result, as despite some profitable disposals during the period, trading in three companies within our growth portfolio required further funding rounds and resulted in a net reduction in capital value. Net asset value at the year end was 64.16 pence per share after dividend payments of 3.50 pence per share during the year, a net revenue return of 1.22 pence per share and a net capital loss of 1.62 pence per share. The Company made a positive total return in the year ended 30 September 2010, after two difficult years in 2008 and 2009. Therefore it is disappointing that 2011 has resulted in a small negative total return. The Board continues to try and meet the dividend target of 3.50 pence per share and over the medium term, would like to see the annual dividend covered by the Company's net income and net realised capital profits.

Investment performance and progress

The Company made three key sales of investments during the year which, together, resulted in an uplift in valuations on the opening carrying value of £1.2 million. These were the disposal of Geronimo Inns at the start of the year, Dexela (medical imaging equipment) which realised initial proceeds of twice cost, and Evolutions (television post production) which was sold in two parts, one before and one after the year end. Together, these realised sales proceeds of £4.0 million, with additional income received over the course of the investment period. In addition, a particularly strong performance was seen by Rostima, which we had restructured during the previous year.

Against this, Xceleron (drug testing), Helveta (forestry and monitoring) and Mi-Pay (mobile payment systems) all required further financing due to slower than hoped for growth in their markets. This in turn resulted in write-downs during the year of £2.24 million. Further details are given in the Manager's report.

A total of £1.76 million was invested in eighteen companies in the year (excluding Evolutions Group), of which six were new investee companies. In line with our current focus of our investments, the majority of these were in healthcare and the environmental sectors which we see as core areas for growth in the future.

Total income saw a reduction of 13 per cent. during the year, mainly caused by the need to restructure our investment in Xceleron and a cessation of income from Chichester Holdings (food and drink distribution). This latter reduction should reverse in the current year as income from Chichester resumes and our more recent investments start to generate an income return.

Risks and uncertainties

The outlook for the UK and global economies continues to be the key risk affecting your Company. Growth in the UK is stagnant while the prospects for Europe look difficult. Nevertheless, your Company continues to try and mitigate investment risks by ensuring that the Company has a first charge over investee companies' assets and through diversification of investments over a range of industry sectors.

A more detailed analysis of risks and uncertainties is set out on pages 19 to 21 on the Directors' report and enhanced business review.

Share buy-backs and share price discount

It remains the Company's policy to buy back shares in the market subject to the overall constraint that such purchases are in the Company's interest. This includes the maintenance of sufficient resources for investment in new and existing investee companies, and in continued payment of dividends to shareholders. It is the Board's intention for such buy-backs to be in the region of 10 to 15 per cent. discount to net asset value, so far as market conditions and liquidity permit.

Related party transactions

Details of material related party transactions for the reporting period can be found in note 23 of this Annual Report and Financial Statements.

Albion VCTs Linked Top Up Offer 2011/2012

Your Board, in conjunction with the boards of six of the other VCTs managed by Albion Ventures LLP, has recently launched its second top up offer across seven of the VCTs managed by Albion Ventures LLP. Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC will be aiming to raise approximately £2.25 million, a 15 per cent. share of the £15 million in aggregate that the Albion VCTs plan to raise. The proceeds will be used to provide further resources at a time when a number of good investment opportunities are being seen. An Investor Guide and Offer Document have been sent to shareholders.

Results and dividends

As at 30 September 2011, the net asset value of the Company was £26.72 million compared to £27.58 million as at 30 September 2010. The revenue return before taxation was £663,000 compared to £828,000 for the year to 30 September 2010. The Company will pay a first dividend for the financial year to 30 September 2012 of 1.75 pence per share on 31 January 2012 to shareholders on the register on 6 January 2012. The Company had cash and liquid assets of £2.2 million as at 30 September 2011.

Chairman's statement continued

Outlook

There are clear challenges within the UK and global economies, and we carry on the task of a gradual rebalancing of the portfolio to those areas that seem likely to be more insulated to any downturn, which also provide greater prospects for income and capital growth. Nevertheless, it is pleasing to see continued profitable disposals and, despite the disappointing results and the broader economic environment, we believe, as does the Manager, that the potential within the portfolio is solid. We hope that capital growth can be achieved over the medium term, including from profitable realisations, and that the income stream can be improved, both of which will provide greater cover for the annual dividend in the medium term.

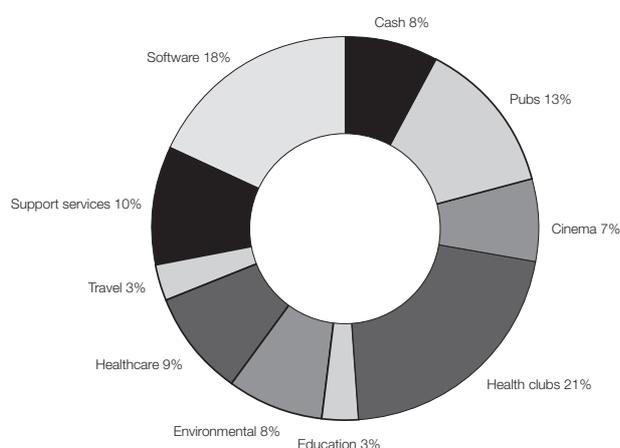
Friedrich Ternofsky

Chairman

21 December 2011

Manager's report

The sector split of the Company's investment portfolio as at 30 September 2011 is shown below. The asset-based portfolio now accounts for 57 per cent. of net assets, with the growth portfolio accounting for 35 per cent. and cash and liquid assets at 8 per cent.. Following the year end, and after adjusting for the disposal of Evolutions Group, detailed below, cash and liquid assets rose to 12 per cent. of the portfolio. We continue to expand both the environmental and healthcare portions of the portfolio, with the former now accounting for 8 per cent. and the latter a further 9 per cent., with corresponding reductions in potentially economically more vulnerable sectors such as pubs and support services.



Source: Albion Ventures LLP

New investments

During the year the Company invested £501,000 in six new investments and £1,260,000 in a number of existing investee companies. Two of the new investments were in the healthcare sector, namely a second psychiatric unit under development in Gosport and Abcodia, an early stage life sciences company with a valuable serum library for use in drug development. In addition, four investments were made in the renewable energy sector, principally in wind and solar power generation.

Existing portfolio

The sales during the year of Geronimo, Evolutions and Dexela were pleasing, though Green Energy (formerly Vibrant Energy) was also finally sold, realising a loss. Between them, these disposals together realised £4.4 million (including income) against an aggregate cost of £3.5 million. By way of note, since the VCT was launched at the end of 2004, the total disposals of unquoted investments have generated proceeds, including income, of £8.6 million against an aggregate cost of £6.6 million.

The need to further refinance Xceleron is particularly disappointing; in common with the broader pharmaceutical research sector, the company has seen a steep decline in sales. This has led us to write down the investment by £1.48 million. We believe, however, that the global decline in research spending in the pharmaceutical sector is ultimately unsustainable, and that Xceleron has a unique position in a global market that will prove to be of strong long term value. Similarly, although there has been promising progress at Helveta, our tropical timber tracking business, the signing of contracts has been slow in a global market that is still at a relatively early stage of its development, therefore we have reduced the investment value by £569,000.

Those investments that we restructured in the year to 30 September 2010, have now shown positive progress, with a return to profitability, at Chichester Holdings (drinks distribution) and growth, accompanied by a move to profitability, at Rostima (staff scheduling software for the port and aviation sectors). Both this latter company and Process Systems Enterprise (IT simulation for complex industrial processes) are at the forefront of their international sectors and have strong prospects for the year ahead.

Meanwhile, your Company's policy that the businesses in which it invests have no external bank borrowings, combined with a revival in cash generation from the asset-based segment of the portfolio, gives us confidence in the portfolio's ability to withstand the current threats in the broader economic environment.

Albion Ventures LLP

Manager

21 December 2011

The Board of Directors

The following are the Directors of the Company, all of whom operate in a non-executive capacity:

Friedrich Ternofsky (68) Chairman

An Austrian national, he has spent much of his career in the hotel and leisure industry. He was the chief executive of Marriott Hotels UK from 1981 to 1993 before becoming chief executive of the UK and Scandinavian operations of Compass Group plc, a post he held until 2000. He is currently a non-executive director of Wates Group Limited, as well as a number of other private companies. Friedrich Ternofsky became a Director of the Company on 26 July 2004.

Robin Archibald (52) BCom, CA

Robin Archibald qualified as a chartered accountant with Touche Ross in Glasgow in 1983, before transferring with Touche to London where he worked in the corporate finance department. Since 1986, he has worked in corporate finance and corporate broking roles, including for Samuel Montagu, SG Warburg Securities, NatWest Wood Mackenzie and since 2004 has been head of corporate finance and broking for Winterflood Securities Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Close Brothers Group PLC. Since the early nineties, he has concentrated on advising and managing transactions in the UK close-ended funds sector and has gained a wide experience in fund raising, reorganisations and restructurings for all types of listed funds. Robin Archibald became a Director of the Company on 28 September 2010.

Mary Anne Cordeiro (50) MA

Mary Anne Cordeiro worked at Goldman Sachs International Limited, first in the mergers and acquisitions department and subsequently in the Financial Institutions Group from 1986 to 1992. She worked in similar roles in Bankers Trust Company and Paribas, and was also co-head of Paribas' Financial Institutions Group, before leaving to found her own business in the insurance sector in 1998. More recently she has applied her financial and strategy expertise to the commercialisation of science and technology, and advises a range of early-stage businesses. Mary Anne Cordeiro became a Director of the Company on 26 July 2004.

John Kerr (69) ACMA

John Kerr has worked as a venture capitalist and also in manufacturing and service industries. He held a number of finance and general management posts in the UK and USA, before joining SUMIT Equity Ventures, an independent Midlands based venture capital company, where he was managing director from 1985 to 1992. He then became chief executive of Price & Pierce Limited, which acted as the UK agent for overseas producers of forestry products, before leaving in 1997 to become finance director of Ambion Brick, a building materials company bought out from Ibstock PLC. After retiring in 2002, he now works as a consultant. He is a non-executive director of Albion Venture Capital Trust PLC, which is also managed by Albion Ventures LLP, and he is also an external member of the Albion Ventures LLP investment committee. John Kerr became a Director of the Company on 26 July 2004.

Patrick Reeve, (51), MA, ACA

Patrick Reeve qualified as a chartered accountant with Deloitte Haskins & Sells before joining Cazenove & Co where he spent three years in the corporate finance department. He joined Close Brothers Group PLC in 1989, initially in the development capital subsidiary, where he was a director specialising in the financing of smaller unquoted companies. He joined the corporate finance division in 1991, where he was also a director. He established Albion Ventures LLP (then Close Ventures Limited) with the launch of Albion Venture Capital Trust PLC in the spring of 1996. He is a director of Albion Prime VCT PLC, Albion Enterprise VCT PLC and Albion Technology & General VCT PLC, all managed by Albion Ventures LLP. He is also a director of Healthcare & Leisure Property Limited, for which Albion Ventures LLP acts as investment adviser. He is on the council of the BVCA. Patrick Reeve became a Director of the Company on 10 June 2004.

All Directors are members of the Audit Committee (except Patrick Reeve) and the Nomination Committee.

The Manager

Albion Ventures LLP, is authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Authority and is the Manager of Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC. In addition to Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC, it manages a further seven venture capital trusts, and currently has total funds under management of approximately £228 million. Albion was awarded “VCT Manager of the Year” at the “Unquote” British Private Equity Awards 2009, “VCT of the Year” for Albion Development VCT PLC at the 2009 Investor AllStar Awards and Investor of the Year at the Independent Healthcare Awards 2011.

The following are specifically responsible for the management and administration of the VCTs managed by Albion Ventures LLP, including Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC:

Patrick Reeve, (51), MA, ACA, details included in the Board of Directors section.

Will Fraser-Allen, (41), BA (Hons), ACA, qualified as a chartered accountant with Cooper Lancaster Brewers in 1996 and then joined their Corporate Finance Team providing corporate finance advice to small and medium sized businesses. He joined Albion Ventures LLP (then Close Ventures Limited) in 2001 since when he has focused on leisure and healthcare investing. Will became deputy Managing Partner of Albion Ventures LLP in 2009. Will has a BA in History from Southampton University.

Isabel Dolan (46), BSc (Hons), ACA, MBA, qualified as a chartered accountant with Moore Stephens. From 1993 to 1997 she was Head of Recoveries at the Specialised Lending Services of the Royal Bank of Scotland plc and from 1997 to 2001 she was at 3i plc, latterly as a portfolio director. She joined Albion Ventures LLP (then Close Ventures Limited) in 2005, having previously been finance director for a number of unquoted companies. Isabel became Operations Partner at Albion Ventures LLP in 2009. She has a BSc in Biochemistry with Pharmacology from Southampton University and an MBA from London Business School.

Dr Andrew Elder (41), MA, FRCS, joined Albion Ventures LLP (then Close Ventures Limited) in 2005 and became a Partner in 2009. He initially practised as a surgeon for six years, specialising in neurosurgery, before joining the Boston Consulting Group (BCG) as a consultant in 2001. Whilst at BCG he specialised in healthcare strategy, gaining experience with many large, global clients across the full spectrum of healthcare including biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, service and care providers, software and telecommunications. He has an MA plus Bachelors of Medicine and Surgery from Cambridge University and is a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons (England).

Emil Gigov (41), BA (Hons), ACA, graduated from the European Business School, London, with a BA (Hons) Degree in European Business Administration in 1994. He then joined KPMG in their financial services division and qualified as a chartered accountant in 1997. Following this he transferred to KPMG Corporate Finance where he specialised in the leisure, media and marketing services sectors acting on acquisitions, disposals and fundraising mandates. He joined Albion Ventures LLP (then Close Ventures Limited) in 2000 and has since made and exited investments in a number of industry sectors, including healthcare, education, technology, leisure and engineering. Emil became a Partner in Albion Ventures LLP in 2009.

David Gudgin (39), BSc (Hons), ACMA, qualified as a management accountant with ICL before spending 3 years at the BBC. In 1999 he joined 3i plc as an investor in European technology based in London and Amsterdam. In 2002 he moved to Foursome Investments (now Frog Capital) as the lead investor of an environmental technology and a later stage development capital fund. David joined Albion Ventures LLP (then Close Ventures Limited) in 2005 and became a Partner in Albion Ventures LLP in 2009. David has a BSc in Economics from Warwick University.

Michael Kaplan (35), BA, MBA. Prior to joining Albion Ventures LLP (then Close Ventures Limited) in 2007, Michael was a project leader with the Boston Consulting Group (BCG) where he focused on the retail and financial services sectors. More recently, Michael was part of BCG's growing Private Equity practice – which provides strategic due diligence to some of the world's biggest PE funds. Prior to his time with BCG, Michael was the chief financial officer for Widevine Technologies, a security software company based in Seattle. Michael has a BA from the University of Washington and an MBA from INSEAD. He became a Partner in Albion Ventures LLP in 2010.

Ed Lascelles (36), BA (Hons), joined Albion Ventures (then Close Ventures Limited) in 2004. Ed began by advising quoted UK companies on IPOs, takeovers and other corporate transactions, first with Charterhouse Securities and then ING Barings. Companies ranged in value from £10 million to £1 billion, across the healthcare and technology sectors among others. After moving to Albion Ventures LLP in 2004 (then part of Close Brothers Group), Ed started investing in the technology, healthcare, financial and business services sectors. Ed became Partner in 2009 and is responsible for a number of Albion's technology investments. Ed graduated from University College London with a first class degree in Philosophy.

The Manager continued

Dr Christoph Ruedig (35), MA, MBA, joined Albion Ventures LLP as an Investment Manager in October 2011 and primarily focuses on Albion's healthcare investments, alongside Andrew Elder. He initially practiced as a radiologist, before spending 3 years at Bain & Company. In 2006 he joined 3i plc working for their Healthcare Venture Capital arm leading investments in Biotechnology, Pharmaceuticals and Medical Technology. Most recently he has worked for General Electric UK, where he was responsible for mergers and acquisitions in the medical technology and healthcare IT sectors. He holds a degree in medicine from Ludwig-Maximilians University, Munich and an MBA from INSEAD.

Henry Stanford (46), MA, ACA, qualified as a chartered accountant with Arthur Andersen before joining the corporate finance department of Close Brothers Group in 1992, becoming an assistant director in 1996. He moved to Albion Ventures LLP (then Close Ventures Limited) in 1998. Henry became a Partner in Albion Ventures LLP in 2009. He holds an MA degree in Classics from Oxford University.

Robert Whitby-Smith (37), BA (Hons), MSI, ACA. After graduating in History at Reading University, Robert qualified as a chartered accountant at KPMG and subsequently worked in corporate finance at Credit Suisse First Boston and ING Barings. Since joining in 2005, Robert has assisted in the workout of three VCT portfolios (Murray VCT PLC, Murray VCT 2 PLC and Murray VCT 3 PLC now renamed Crown Place VCT PLC) formerly managed by Aberdeen Murray Johnson, and is responsible for investments in the leisure, manufacturing and technology sectors. Robert became a partner in Albion Ventures LLP in 2009.

Marco Yu (34), MPhil, MA, MRICS, spent two and a half years at Bouygues (UK), developing cost management systems for PFI schemes, before moving to EC Harris in 2005 where he advised senior lenders on large capital projects. He joined Albion Ventures LLP (then Close Ventures Limited) in 2007 and became an investment manager in Albion Ventures LLP in 2009. Marco graduated from Cambridge University with a first class degree in economics and is a Chartered Surveyor.

Portfolio of investments

The following list is a summary of investments as at 30 September 2011:

Qualifying investments	% voting rights held by Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC	% voting rights held by all AVL* managed companies	As at 30 September 2011			As at 30 September 2010			**Change in value for the year £'000
			Cost £'000	Cumulative movement in value £'000	Total value £'000	Cost £'000	Cumulative movement in value £'000	Total value £'000	
Asset-based unquoted investments									
The Weybridge Club Limited	18.5	50.0	3,000	(635)	2,365	3,000	(468)	2,532	(167)
Kensington Health Clubs Limited	12.0	50.0	3,044	(907)	2,137	3,044	(1,178)	1,866	271
The Charmwood Pub Company Limited	10.3	50.0	2,914	(1,395)	1,519	2,914	(1,472)	1,442	77
Tower Bridge Health Clubs Limited	17.2	50.0	1,014	164	1,178	1,075	114	1,189	50
Bravo Inns II Limited	8.5	50.0	1,160	(84)	1,076	1,110	(76)	1,034	(8)
CS (Brixton) Limited	16.7	50.0	713	325	1,038	713	211	924	114
Radnor House School (Holdings) Limited	4.2	50.0	734	21	755	734	4	738	17
Bravo Inns Limited	12.7	50.0	1,130	(431)	699	1,130	(516)	614	85
Orchard Portman Hospital Limited	7.9	50.0	512	1	513	268	5	273	(4)
CS (Norwich) Limited	20.0	50.0	320	13	333	320	(38)	282	51
Premier Leisure (Suffolk) Limited	13.6	50.0	1,000	(762)	238	1,000	(745)	255	(17)
CS (Exeter) Limited	16.6	50.0	271	(75)	196	271	(41)	230	(34)
GB Pub Company VCT Limited	16.6	50.0	674	(481)	193	667	(412)	255	(69)
TEG Biogas (Perth) Limited	3.0	50.0	176	1	177	55	–	55	1
Regenerco Renewable Energy Limited	2.9	50.0	162	–	162	–	–	–	–
The Dunedin Pub Company VCT Limited	15.4	50.0	166	(4)	162	548	(355)	193	(6)
The Street by Street Solar Programme Limited	2.9	50.0	117	–	117	–	–	–	–
Nelson House Hospital Limited	2.5	50.0	86	–	86	–	–	–	–
Alto Prodotto Wind Limited	1.8	50.0	79	1	80	–	–	–	1
AVESI Limited	2.9	50.0	23	–	23	–	–	–	–
Total asset-based unquoted investments			17,295	(4,248)	13,047	16,849	(4,967)	11,882	362

* Albion Ventures LLP

** As adjusted for additions and disposals during the year

Portfolio of investments continued

	% voting rights held by Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC	% voting rights held by all AVL* managed companies	As at 30 September 2011			As at 30 September 2010			**Change in value for the year £'000
			Cost £'000	Cumulative movement in value £'000	Total value £'000	Cost £'000	Cumulative movement in value £'000	Total value £'000	
High growth unquoted investments									
Blackbay Limited	15.0	34.9	1,634	707	2,341	1,550	861	2,411	11
Lowcosttravelgroup Limited	12.0	26.0	1,560	(676)	884	1,560	(470)	1,090	(206)
Xceleron Limited	21.7	45.1	2,482	(1,649)	833	2,339	(171)	2,168	(1,478)
Mi-Pay Limited	10.3	43.1	1,247	(424)	823	944	(231)	713	(193)
memsstar Limited (formerly Point 35 Microstructures Limited)	8.2	28.1	572	67	639	572	1	573	66
Process Systems Enterprise Limited	4.7	15.9	440	168	608	440	(98)	342	266
Rostima Holdings Limited	13.6	39.3	268	330	598	268	–	268	330
Helveta Limited	7.2	23.5	1,108	(569)	539	921	–	921	(569)
Oxsensis Limited	5.7	20.6	755	(326)	429	755	(183)	572	(143)
Chichester Holdings Limited	15.2	50.0	1,699	(1,359)	340	1,699	(1,260)	439	(99)
Opta Sports Data Limited	2.7	14.2	341	(25)	316	290	(76)	214	51
Palm Tree Technology Limited	0.5	0.7	235	47	282	235	(94)	141	141
Prime Care Holdings Limited	3.8	49.9	228	(43)	185	210	18	228	(61)
Masters Pharmaceuticals Limited	1.0	16.9	202	(21)	181	160	2	162	(23)
Mirada Medical Limited	3.7	50.0	86	84	170	61	47	108	37
DySIS Medical Limited (formerly Forth Photonics Limited)	1.2	16.7	175	(34)	141	175	–	175	(34)
Abcodia Limited	1.0	21.4	35	–	35	–	–	–	–
Red-M Wireless Limited	26.1	42.1	186	(186)	–	186	(120)	66	(66)
Total high growth unquoted investments			13,253	(3,909)	9,344	12,365	(1,774)	10,591	(1,970)
Total qualifying fixed asset investments			30,548	(8,157)	22,391	29,214	(6,741)	22,473	(1,608)

* Albion Ventures LLP

** As adjusted for additions and disposals during the year

Portfolio of investments continued

Non-qualifying fixed asset investments	As at 30 September 2011			As at 30 September 2010			**Change in value for the year £'000
	Cost £'000	Cumulative movement in value £'000	Total value £'000	Cost £'000	Cumulative movement in value £'000	Total value £'000	
Evolutions Group Limited	2,014	(238)	1,776	–	–	–	(238)
Evolutions Television Limited †	88	–	88	2,755	(1,103)	1,652	–
Rostima Holdings Limited	69	–	69	–	–	–	–
Total non-qualifying fixed asset investments	2,171	(238)	1,933	2,755	(1,103)	1,652	(238)

** As adjusted for additions and disposals during the year

† Evolutions Television Limited was a qualifying investment at 30 September 2010

Current asset investments	As at 30 September 2011			As at 30 September 2010			**Change in value for the year £'000
	Cost £'000	Cumulative movement in value £'000	Total value £'000	Cost £'000	Cumulative movement in value £'000	Total value £'000	
Dexela Limited	–	235	235	–	–	–	235
RFI Global Services Limited	–	234	234	–	–	–	234
Total current asset investments	–	469	469	–	–	–	469

** As adjusted for additions and disposals during the year

Investment disposals during the year to 30 September 2011	Cost £'000	Opening carrying value £'000	Disposal proceeds £'000	Realised gain/(loss) £'000	Gain on opening value £'000
Dexela Limited	565	583	1,069	504	486
Geronimo Inns VCT I Limited and Geronimo Inns VCT II Limited	520	577	588	68	11
Green Energy Property Services Group Limited	28	14	26	(2)	12
Evolutions Television Limited	2,774	1,670	2,338	(436)	668
Radnor House School (Holdings) Limited (redemption premium received)	–	4	23	23	19
Total	3,887	2,848	4,044	157	1,196

Portfolio companies

The top ten investments by aggregate value of equity and loan stock are as follows:

The Weybridge Club Limited			
The company owns a 30 acre freehold site near to the centre of Weybridge, Surrey, which has been developed into a premium health and fitness club. The club opened in May 2007 and membership is currently building up well.			
Audited results: 13 months to 30 September 2010		Investment information	
	£'000		£'000
Turnover	1,972	Income recognised in the year	98
Profit before interest	409	Total cost	3,000
Net liabilities	(1,265)	Total valuation	2,365
Basis of valuation:	Net asset value supported by third party valuation	Voting rights	18.5%
Website: www.theweybridgeclub.com			
Other funds managed and advised by Albion Ventures LLP have invested in this company and have a combined equity holding of 50.0 per cent..			

Blackbay Limited			
The company provides enterprise mobility solutions for the logistics and field service sectors.			
Audited results: year to 31 December 2010		Investment information	
	£'000		£'000
Turnover	7,752	Income recognised in the year	215
Profit before interest	706	Total cost	1,634
Net liabilities	(1,470)	Total valuation	2,341
Basis of valuation:	Earnings multiple	Voting rights	15.0%
Website: www.blackbay.com			
Other funds managed and advised by Albion Ventures LLP have invested in this company and have a combined equity holding of 34.9 per cent..			

Kensington Health Clubs Limited			
The company has developed a 29,000 square foot health and fitness club on a 999 year lease in West London which opened in December 2007.			
Audited results: year to 30 September 2010		Investment information	
	£'000		£'000
Turnover	2,374	Income recognised in the year	142
Profit before interest	392	Total cost	3,044
Net assets	1,139	Total valuation	2,137
Basis of valuation:	Net asset value supported by independent desktop review	Voting rights	12.0%
Website: www.thirtysevendegrees.co.uk/olympia			
Other funds managed and advised by Albion Ventures LLP have invested in this company and have a combined equity holding of 50.0 per cent..			

Evolutions Group Limited			
The company owns and leases a property on Berners Street, London. The property has been sold since the year end.			
Audited results: year to 30 June 2011		Investment information	
	£'000		£'000
Turnover	-	Income recognised in the year	1
Loss before interest	(85)	Total cost	2,014
Net assets	3,250	Total valuation	1,776
Basis of valuation:	Agreed sale price	Voting rights	30.3%
Website: N/A			
Other funds managed and advised by Albion Ventures LLP have invested in this company and have a combined equity holding of 100.0 per cent..			

The Charnwood Pub Company Limited			
The company is a pub company which owns and operates 11 freehold public houses in central England.			
Audited results: 17 months to 31 March 2010**		Investment information	
	£'000		£'000
Turnover	3,314	Income recognised in the year	60
Loss before interest	(255)	Total cost	2,914
Net liabilities	(608)	Total valuation	1,519
Basis of valuation:	Net asset value supported by third party valuation	Voting rights	10.3%
Website: www.charnwoodpubco.co.uk			
Other funds managed and advised by Albion Ventures LLP have invested in this company and have a combined equity holding of 50.0 per cent..			
** The audited results include the costs associated with acquiring a further 8 pubs and costs relating to the restructuring of the pub portfolio.			

Portfolio companies continued

Tower Bridge Health Clubs Limited

The company has developed and operates a health and fitness club in the More London development in central London. Membership remains strong and continues to grow.



Audited results: year to 30 September 2010		Investment information	£'000
Turnover	2,646	Income recognised in the year	106
Profit before interest	760	Total cost	1,014
Net assets	136	Total valuation	1,176
Basis of valuation:	Net asset value supported by third party valuation	Voting rights	17.2%

Website: www.thirtysevendegrees.co.uk/towerbridge

Other funds managed and advised by Albion Ventures LLP have invested in this company and have a combined equity holding of 50.0 per cent..

Bravo Inns II Limited

The company was formed in September 2007 and has acquired 20 freehold pubs in the North of England. The pubs are trading well with considerable consumer demand for the value offering.



Audited results: year to 31 March 2010		Investment information	£'000
Turnover	3,167	Income recognised in the year	89
Loss before interest	(4)	Total cost	1,160
Net assets	1,623	Total valuation	1,076
Basis of valuation:	Net asset value supported by third party valuation	Voting rights	8.5%

Website: www.bravoinsns.com

Other funds managed and advised by Albion Ventures LLP have invested in this company and have a combined equity holding of 50.0 per cent..

CS (Brixton) Limited

This company owns and operates the Ritzy cinema in Brixton, London.



Audited results: year to 31 December 2010		Investment information	£'000
Turnover	3,066	Income recognised in the year	70
Profit before interest	447	Total cost	713
Net assets	2,354	Total valuation	1,038
Basis of valuation:	Net asset value supported by third party valuation	Voting rights	16.7%

Website: www.picturehouses.co.uk

Other funds managed and advised by Albion Ventures LLP have invested in this company and have a combined equity holding of 50 per cent..

Lowcosttravelgroup Limited

The company is an online travel company specialising in beach holidays and the provision of hotel transfers. The company has seen significant growth in bookings and has made a number of small bolt-on acquisitions.



Audited results: year to 31 October 2010		Investment information	£'000
Total transaction value	117,920	Income recognised in the year	17
Turnover	27,054	Total cost	1,560
Profit before interest and exceptional items	1,725	Total valuation	884
Net assets	3,838	Voting rights	12.0%
Basis of valuation:	Earnings multiple		

Website: www.lowcosttravelgroup.com

Other funds managed and advised by Albion Ventures LLP have invested in this company and have a combined equity holding of 26.0 per cent..

Xceleron Limited

The company is a provider of drug development services to the life-science industries.



Audited results: year to 31 December 2009		Investment information	£'000
Turnover	5,270	Income recognised in the year	-
Loss before interest	(197)	Total cost	2,482
Net liabilities	(1,379)	Total valuation	833
Basis of valuation:	Revenue Multiple	Voting rights	21.7%

Website: www.xceleron.com

Other funds managed and advised by Albion Ventures LLP have invested in this company and have a combined equity holding of 45.1 per cent..

Net assets of investee companies where a recent third party valuation has taken place may have a higher valuation in Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC's accounts than in its own, where the investee company does not have a policy of revaluing its fixed assets.

Directors' report and enhanced business review

The Directors submit their Annual Report and the audited Financial Statements on the affairs of Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC (the "Company") for the year ended 30 September 2011.

BUSINESS REVIEW

Principal activity and status

The principal activity of the Company is that of a venture capital trust. It has been approved by H.M. Revenue & Customs ("HMRC") as a venture capital trust in accordance with Part 6 of the Income Tax Act 2007 and in the opinion of the Directors the Company has conducted its affairs so as to enable it to continue to obtain such approval. Approval for the year ended 30 September 2011 is subject to review should there be any subsequent enquiry under corporation tax self assessment.

The Company is not a close company for taxation purposes and its shares are listed on The London Stock Exchange.

The Company is no longer an investment company as defined in Section 833 of the Companies Act 2006. The Company revoked its investment trust status on 27 May 2010 in order for the Company to pay dividends from realised capital profits.

Under current tax legislation, shares in the Company provide tax-free capital growth and income distribution, in addition to the income tax relief most investors would have obtained when they invested in the original share offers.

Capital structure

Details of the issued share capital, together with details of the movements in the Company's issued share capital during the year are shown in note 16.

The Company's share capital comprises Ordinary shares only. The Ordinary shares are designed for individuals who are professionally advised private investors, seeking, over the long term, investment exposure to a diversified portfolio of unquoted investments. The investments are spread over a number of sectors, to produce a regular and predictable source of income, combined with the prospect of longer term capital growth.

All shares rank *pari passu* for dividend and voting rights and each share is entitled to one vote. The Directors are not aware of any restrictions on the transfer of shares or on voting rights.

The Company currently operates a Dividend Reinvestment Scheme, details of which can be found on www.albion-ventures.co.uk under the 'Our Funds' section. During the year the Company issued 117,602 new Ordinary shares under the Dividend Reinvestment Scheme, details of which can be found in note 16.

On 1 November 2010 the Company announced the launch of the Albion VCTs Linked Top Up Offer in conjunction with six other VCTs managed by Albion Ventures LLP. During the year, the Company issued a total of 2,492,767 new Ordinary shares (details are shown in note 16). The Offer closed on 16 May 2011.

The Company, in conjunction with the boards of six of the other VCTs managed by Albion Ventures LLP, has recently launched a linked top up offer of new Ordinary shares. Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC will be aiming to raise approximately £2.25 million, a 15 per cent. share of the £15 million in aggregate that the Albion VCTs plan to raise. The proceeds will be used to provide further resources at a time when a number of attractive investment opportunities are being seen. An Investor Guide and Offer Document have been sent to shareholders.

Substantial interests and shareholder profile

As at 30 September 2011 and at the date of this report, the Company was not aware of any shareholder that had a beneficial interest exceeding 3 per cent. of voting rights. There have been no disclosures in accordance with Disclosure and Transparency Rule 5 made to the Company during the year ended 30 September 2011, and to the date of this report.

The table below shows the shareholder profile as at 21 December 2011 for the Company:

Number of shares held	% shareholders	% share capital
1 – 10,000	64.4	18.3
10,001 – 50,000	30.7	40.4
50,001 – 100,000	3.4	14.4
100,001 – 500,000	1.3	13.2
500,001 – 1,000,000	0.1	3.8
1,000,001 – 5,000,000*	0.1	9.9

* Treasury shares held by Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC

Investment policy

The Company's investment strategy is to provide investors with a regular and predictable source of dividend income combined with the prospect of long term capital growth, through allowing investors the opportunity to participate in a balanced portfolio of high growth businesses and lower risk, asset-based companies. It is intended that, in time, the Company's investment portfolio will be split approximately as follows:

- 45 per cent. to be invested in higher growth unquoted businesses, including early stage technology;
- 45 per cent. to be invested in unquoted asset-based businesses in the leisure sector; and

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- 10 per cent. to be held in floating rate securities, cash deposits and gilts with a Moody's credit rating of at least A.

In neither of the first two categories listed above would investee companies normally have any external borrowing with a charge ranking ahead of the VCT. Up to two-thirds of qualifying assets by cost will comprise loan stock secured with a first charge on the investee company's assets.

Venture capital trust status

In addition to the investment policy described above, HMRC rules drive the Company's investment allocation and risk diversification policies. In order to maintain its status under Venture Capital Trust legislation, the following tests must be met:

- (1) The Company's income must be derived wholly or mainly from shares and securities;
- (2) At least 70 per cent. of the HMRC value of its investments must have been represented throughout the year by shares or securities that are classified as 'qualifying holdings';
- (3) At least 30 per cent. by HMRC value of its total qualifying holdings must have been represented throughout the year by holdings of 'eligible shares';
- (4) At no time in the year must the Company's holdings in any one company (other than another VCT) have exceeded 15 per cent. by HMRC value of its investments;
- (5) The Company must not have retained greater than 15 per cent. of its income earned in the year from shares and securities;
- (6) Eligible shares must comprise at least 10 per cent. by HMRC value of the total of the shares and securities that the Company holds in any one investee company; and
- (7) The Company's shares, throughout the year, must have been listed in the Official List of the Stock Exchange.

These tests drive a spread of investment risk through disallowing holdings of more than 15 per cent. in any investee company. The tests have been carried out and independently reviewed for the year ended 30 September 2011. The Company has complied with all tests and continues to do so.

'Qualifying holdings' for Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC include shares or securities (including loans with a five year or

greater maturity period) in companies which operate a 'qualifying trade' wholly or mainly in the United Kingdom. 'Qualifying trade' excludes, amongst other sectors, dealing in property or shares and securities, insurance, banking and agriculture. Details of the sectors in which the Company is invested can be found in the pie chart on page 8 of the Manager's report.

Investee company gross assets must not exceed £15 million immediately prior to the investment and £16 million immediately thereafter and there is an annual investment limit of £1 million in each company.

Gearing

As defined by the Articles of Association, the Company's maximum exposure in relation to gearing is restricted to 10 per cent. of the adjusted share capital and reserves. As at 30 September 2011, the Company's maximum permitted exposure was £2,672,000 (2010: £2,758,000) and its actual short term and long term gearing at this date was £nil (2010: £nil). The Directors do not currently have any intention to utilise long term gearing.

Current portfolio sector allocation

The pie chart on page 8 of the Manager's report shows the split of the portfolio valuation by industrial or commercial sector as at 30 September 2011. Details of the principal investments made by the Company are shown in the Portfolio of investments section on page 12.

Review of business and future changes

A detailed review of the Company's business during the year and future prospects is contained in the Chairman's statement on page 6 and Manager's report on page 8. Details of significant events which have occurred since the end of the financial year are listed in note 22. Details of related party transactions are shown in note 23.

The Directors do not foresee any major changes in the activity undertaken by the Company in the current year. The Company continues with its objective to invest in unquoted companies throughout the United Kingdom with a view to providing both capital growth and a reliable dividend income to shareholders over the long term.

Operational arrangements

The Company has delegated the investment management of the portfolio to Albion Ventures LLP, which is authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Authority. Albion Ventures LLP also provides company secretarial and other accounting and administrative support to the Company. Further details regarding the terms of engagement of the Manager are shown on page 22.

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Results and dividends

The results for the year ended 30 September 2011 are as follows:

	£'000
Net revenue return for the year ended 30 September 2011	508
Revenue dividend of 1.31 pence per share paid on 31 January 2011	(547)
Revenue dividend of 1.75 pence per share paid on 30 June 2011	(744)
Transfer from special reserve for the year ended 30 September 2011	1,291
Transferred to revenue reserve	508
Net capital loss for the year ended 30 September 2011	(676)
Capital dividend of 0.44 pence per share paid on 31 January 2011	(181)
Transfer from special reserve for the year ended 30 September 2011	181
Transferred from realised and unrealised capital reserves	(676)
Net assets as at 30 September 2011	26,720
Net asset value per share as at 30 September 2011 (pence)	64.16

The Company paid dividends of 3.50 pence per share (2010: 3.00 pence per share) during the year ended 30 September 2011.

As described in the Chairman's statement, the Board has declared a first dividend of 1.75 pence per share to be paid on 31 January 2012 to shareholders on the register as at 6 January 2012. The Board currently has an annual dividend target of 3.50 pence per share (although this should not be regarded as a forecast).

As shown in the Income statement on page 33 of the Financial Statements, the investment income has decreased to £1,049,000 (2010: £1,210,000) due to the conversion of some loan stock to equity and receipt of no income from convertible bonds during the year. The revenue return to equity holders has decreased to £508,000 (2010: £738,000) or 1.22 pence per share (2010: 1.79 pence per share), largely due to the fall in income described above.

The capital loss for the year was £676,000 (2010: capital gain £977,000), primarily as a result of the increase in unrealised losses on investments and the capitalisation of management fees net of taxation.

The total loss per share was 0.40 pence per share (2010: return of 4.15 pence per share).

The Balance sheet on page 34 shows that the net asset value per share has decreased over the last year to 64.16 pence per share (2010: 67.81 pence per share), primarily reflecting the payment of 3.5 pence per share dividends during the year.

The cash flow for the business shows a net outflow of £192,000 for the year (2010: inflow of £861,000) reflecting the dividends paid, the purchase of shares for cancellation and the purchase of qualifying investments, offset by the disposal of investments and the issue of new share capital.

Share buy-backs

The Company operates a programme of buying back shares either for cancellation or for holding in treasury. Details regarding the current policy can be found on page 6 of the Chairman's statement.

Key performance indicators

The Directors believe that the following key performance indicators are the most important for the business.

The graph on page 4 shows Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC's net asset value total return against the FTSE All-Share Index total return, in both instances with dividends reinvested. Details of the performance of the net asset value and return per share for the year are shown above.

The total expense ratio for the year to 30 September 2011 was 3.4 per cent. (2010: 3.3 per cent.).

The Company continues to comply with HMRC rules in order to maintain its status under Venture Capital Trust legislation as highlighted on page 18.

Principal risks and uncertainties

In addition to the current economic risks outlined in the Chairman's statement, the Board considers that the Company faces the following major risks and uncertainties:

1. *Economic risk*

Changes in economic conditions, including, for example, interest rates, rates of inflation, industry conditions, competition, political and diplomatic events and other factors could substantially and adversely affect the Company's prospects in a number of ways.

To reduce this risk, in addition to investing equity in portfolio companies, the Company often invests secured loan stock and has a policy of not permitting any external bank borrowings within portfolio companies. Additionally, the Manager has been

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rebalancing the sector exposure of the portfolio with a view to reducing reliance on consumer led sectors.

2. *Investment risk*

This is the risk of investment in poor quality assets which reduces the capital and income returns to shareholders, and negatively impacts on the Company's reputation. By nature, smaller unquoted businesses, such as those that qualify for venture capital trust purposes, are more fragile than larger, long established businesses.

To reduce this risk, the Board places reliance upon the skills and expertise of the Manager and its strong track record for investing in this segment of the market. In addition, the Manager operates a formal and structured investment process, which includes an Investment Committee, comprising investment professionals from the Manager and at least one external investment professional. The Manager also invites comments from non-executive Directors of the Company on investments discussed at the Investment Committee meetings. Investments are actively and regularly monitored by the Manager (investment managers normally sit on investee company boards) and the Board receives detailed reports on each investment as part of the Manager's report at quarterly board meetings. It is the policy of the Company for portfolio companies to not normally have external borrowings.

3. *Valuation risk*

The Company's investment valuation method is reliant on the accuracy and completeness of information that is issued by portfolio companies. In particular, the Directors may not be aware of or take into account certain events or circumstances which occur after the information issued by such companies is reported.

As described in note 2 of the Financial Statements, the unquoted equity investments, convertible loan stock and debt issued at a discount held by the Company are valued at fair value through profit or loss in accordance with the International Private Equity and Venture Capital Valuation Guidelines. These guidelines set out recommendations, intended to represent current best practice on the valuation of venture capital investments. These investments are valued on the basis of forward looking estimates and judgements about the business itself, its market and the environment in which it operates, together with the state of the mergers and acquisitions market, stock market conditions and other factors. In making these judgements the valuation takes into account all known

material facts up to the date of approval of the Financial Statements by the Board. All other unquoted loan stock is measured at amortised cost.

4. *Venture Capital Trust approval risk*

The Company's current approval as a venture capital trust allows investors to take advantage of tax reliefs on initial investment and ongoing tax free capital gains and dividend income. Failure to meet the qualifying requirements could result in investors losing the tax relief on initial investment and loss of tax relief on any tax-free income or capital gains received. In addition, failure to meet the qualifying requirements could result in a loss of listing of the shares.

To reduce this risk, the Board has appointed the Manager, who has a team with significant experience in venture capital trust management, used to operating within the requirements of the venture capital trust legislation. In addition, to provide further formal reassurance, the Board has appointed PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as its taxation advisors. PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP report quarterly to the Board to independently confirm compliance with the venture capital trust legislation, to highlight areas of risk and to inform on changes in legislation.

5. *Compliance risk*

The Company is listed on The London Stock Exchange and is required to comply with the rules of the UK Listing Authority, as well as with the Companies Act, Accounting Standards and other legislation. Failure to comply with these regulations could result in a delisting of the Company's shares, or other penalties under the Companies Act or from financial reporting oversight bodies.

Board members and the Manager have experience of operating at senior levels within quoted businesses. In addition, the Board and the Manager receive regular updates on new regulation from its auditor, lawyers and other professional bodies.

6. *Internal control risk*

Failures in key controls, within the Board or within the Manager's business, could put assets of the Company at risk or result in reduced or inaccurate information being passed to the Board or to shareholders.

The Audit Committee meets with the Manager's Internal Auditor, Littlejohn LLP, when required, receiving a report regarding the last formal internal audit performed on the Manager, and providing the

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opportunity for the Audit Committee to ask specific and detailed questions. During the year the Board met with the internal audit Partner of Littlejohn LLP to discuss the most recent Internal Audit Report on the Manager. The Manager has a comprehensive business continuity plan in place in the event that operational continuity is threatened. Further details regarding the Board's management and review of the Company's internal controls through the implementation of the Turnbull guidance are detailed on page 28.

Measures are in place to mitigate information risk in order to ensure the integrity, availability and confidentiality of information used within the business.

7. *Reliance upon third parties risk*

The Company is reliant upon the services of Albion Ventures LLP for the provision of investment management and administrative functions. There are provisions within the management agreement for the change of Manager under certain circumstances (for further detail, see the management agreement paragraph on page 22). In addition, the Manager has demonstrated to the Board that there is no undue reliance placed upon any one individual within Albion Ventures LLP.

8. *Financial risks*

By its nature, as a venture capital trust, the Company is exposed to investment risk (which comprises investment price risk and cash flow interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Company's policies for managing these risks and its financial instruments are outlined in full in note 20 to the Financial Statements.

All of the Company's income and expenditure is denominated in sterling and hence the Company has no foreign currency risk. The Company is financed through equity and does not have any borrowings. The Company does not use derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes.

Environment

The management and administration of Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC is undertaken by the Manager. Albion Ventures LLP recognises the importance of its environmental responsibilities, monitors its impact on the environment, and designs and implements policies to reduce any damage that might be caused by its activities. Initiatives designed to minimise the Company's impact on the environment include recycling and reducing energy consumption as will be shown in the financial statements of Albion Ventures LLP.

Employees

The Company is managed by Albion Ventures LLP and hence has no employees other than its Directors.

Directors

The Directors who held office during the year and their interests in the shares of the Company (together with those of their immediate family) are shown below:

	30 September 2011	30 September 2010
Friedrich Ternofofsky	12,229	10,000
Robin Archibald	–	–
Mary Anne Cordeiro	4,588	4,352
John Kerr	12,000	12,000
Patrick Reeve	234,671	220,000

There have been no changes in the holdings of the Directors between 30 September 2011 and the date of this Report.

No Director has a service contract with the Company.

All Directors are members of the Audit Committee, with the exception of Mr Reeve. Mr Kerr is Chairman.

No options over the share capital, long term incentive or retirement benefits of the Company have been granted to Directors personally, nor does the Company make a contribution to any pension scheme on behalf of the Directors.

Further details regarding the Directors' remuneration are shown on page 31.

Directors' indemnity

Each Director has entered into a Deed of Indemnity with the Company which indemnifies each Director, subject to the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 and the limitations set out in each deed, against any liability arising out of any claim made against him in relation to the performance of his duties as a Director of the Company. A copy of each Deed of Indemnity entered into by the Company for each Director is available at the Registered Office of the Company.

Re-election of Directors

Directors' retirement and re-election is subject to the Articles of Association and the UK Corporate Governance Code. At the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, Mary Anne Cordeiro, Patrick Reeve and John Kerr will retire and offer themselves for re-election.

Management agreement

Under the terms of the agreement dated 2 August 2004, the Company and Close Ventures Limited entered into a

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management agreement which may be terminated by either party on 12 months' notice. This agreement was novated to Albion Ventures LLP on 23 January 2009. The Manager will provide the investment management, company secretarial and administrative services to the Company, for a fee payable quarterly in arrears on 1 January, 1 April, 1 July and 1 October in each year, of an amount equal to 2.5 per cent. of the net asset value of the Company. The management agreement is subject to earlier termination in the event of certain breaches, or on the insolvency of either party.

The Manager is entitled to an arrangement fee payable by each investee company of approximately 2 per cent. on each investment made, and also entitled to non-executive director fees when placing an investment executive from Albion Ventures LLP on the investee company Board.

Under the terms of the management agreement, the total normal management and administration expenses of the Company, inclusive of any net irrecoverable VAT, but not including any Manager's performance incentive fee, are limited to a maximum of 3.5 per cent. of the value of the Company's net assets. Any excess will either be paid by the Manager, or refunded by way of deduction of management fees. The cap was not invoked during the year.

Management performance incentive

In order to provide the Manager with an incentive to maximise the return to investors, the management agreement contains a manager's incentive fee arrangement.

The target level requires returns to exceed a minimum compound level of 8 per cent. per annum (comprising dividends and net asset value). If the target return is not achieved in a period, the cumulative shortfall is carried forward to the next accounting period and has to be made up before an incentive fee becomes payable.

If the target is achieved the Manager is entitled to 20 per cent. of the excess. For the year to 30 September 2011, no incentive fee became due to the Manager (2010: £nil).

Evaluation of the Manager

The Board has evaluated the performance of the Manager based on the returns generated by the Company, the continuing achievement of the 70 per cent. investment requirement for Venture Capital Trust status, the long term prospects of current investments, a review of the Management agreement and the services provided therein, and benchmarking the performance of the Manager to other service providers. The Board believes that it is in the interests of shareholders as a whole, and of the Company, to continue the appointment of the Manager for the forthcoming year.

Investment and co-investment

The Company co-invests with other venture capital trusts and funds managed by Albion Ventures LLP. Allocation of investments is on the basis of an allocation agreement which is based, inter alia, on the ratio of funds available for investment.

Auditor

In 2007 the Audit Committee undertook a tendering exercise for provision of audit services. As a result of this process, PKF (UK) LLP were appointed as Auditor with effect from 2008. The Audit Committee annually reviews and evaluates the standard and quality of service provided by the Auditor, as well as value for money in the provision of these services. A resolution to re-appoint PKF (UK) LLP as Auditor will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting on 6 February 2012.

Supplier payment policy

The Company's policy is to pay all supplier invoices within 30 days of the invoice date, or as otherwise agreed. Trade creditors totalled £7,000 as at 30 September 2011 (2010: £12,000). The creditor days as at 30 September 2011 were 3 days (2010: 5 days).

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will be held at the City of London Club, 19 Old Broad Street, London EC2N 1DS at 12 noon on 6 February 2012. The notice of the Annual General Meeting is at the end of this document.

The proxy form enclosed with this Annual Report and Financial Statements permits shareholders to disclose votes 'for', 'against', and 'withheld'. A 'vote withheld' is not a vote in law and will not be counted in the proportion of the votes for and against the resolution. A summary of proxies lodged at the Annual General Meeting will be published at www.albion-ventures.co.uk within the 'Our Funds' section by clicking on Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC.

Resolutions relating to the following items of special business will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting for which shareholder approval is required in order to comply either with the Companies Act or the Listing Rules of the Financial Services Authority.

Electronic and web communications

Ordinary resolution number 8 will request authority to send all documents, notices and information to shareholders by electronic means (as such term is defined in the Financial Services Authority's Disclosure and Transparency Rules) including by means of a website and in all electronic forms. With effect from 20 January 2007, the Companies Act 2006

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introduced new provisions enabling companies to communicate with shareholders by electronic and/or website communication. A company is allowed to send documents to a shareholder in electronic form (subject to consent of the shareholder) via a website. Before the Company can communicate with a shareholder by means of website communication:

- (a) an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company authorising the use of electronic communications is required under the Financial Services Authority's Disclosure and Transparency Rules; and
- (b) the relevant shareholder must be asked individually by the Company to agree that the Company may send or supply documents or information to him or her by means of a website.

The Company must have received a positive response in order for consent to electronic communications to have been given. The Company will notify the shareholder (either by post, or by other permitted means) when a relevant document or information is placed on the website and a shareholder retains the right to request a hard copy version of the document or information.

These new provisions should lead to administrative cost savings in the future and the Company plans to contact shareholders individually for their consent to receive communications from the Company via its website or to elect to receive communications either electronically or in hard copy.

Removal of authorised share capital

Special resolution number 9 will propose the removal of the concept of authorised share capital from the Company's Articles, as permitted by the Companies Act 2006.

Power to allot shares

Ordinary resolution number 10 will request the authority to allot up to an aggregate nominal amount of £2,310,773 representing approximately 10 per cent. of the issued Ordinary share capital of the Company as at the date of this Report, or £46,215 following the reduction in nominal value proposed by resolution number 14.

The Directors do not currently have any intention to allot shares, with the exception of the Dividend Reinvestment Scheme, the Albion VCTs Linked Top Up Offer 2011/2012 as described in note 22 and the reissuance of treasury shares where it is in the Company's interest to do so. The Company currently holds 4,570,867 treasury shares representing

9.9 per cent. of the total Ordinary share capital in issue as at 30 September 2011.

This resolution replaces the authority given to the Directors at the General Meeting on 9 February 2011. The authority sought at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting will expire 18 months from the date that this resolution is passed or at the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company, whichever is earlier.

Dis-application of pre-emption rights

Special resolution number 11 will request the authority for the Directors to allot equity securities for cash without first being required to offer such securities to existing members. This will include the sale on a non pre-emptive basis of any shares the Company holds in treasury for cash. The authority relates to a maximum aggregate of £2,310,773 of the nominal value of the share capital representing 10 per cent. of the issued Ordinary share capital of the Company as at the date of this Report, or £46,215 following the reduction in nominal value proposed by resolution number 14.

This resolution replaces the authority given to the Directors at the General Meeting on 9 February 2011. The authority sought at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting will expire 18 months from the date that this resolution is passed or at the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company, whichever is earlier. Members should note that this resolution also relates to treasury shares.

Purchase of own shares

Special resolution number 12 will request the authority to purchase approximately 14.99 per cent. of the Company's issued Ordinary share capital at, or between, the minimum and maximum prices specified in resolution 12. Shares bought back under this authority may be cancelled and up to 10 per cent. can be held in treasury.

The Board believes that it is helpful for the Company to continue to have the flexibility to buy its own shares and this resolution seeks authority from shareholders to do so.

This resolution would renew the 2011 authority, which was on similar terms. During the financial year under review, the Company purchased 1,006,505 Ordinary shares of 50 pence each to be cancelled, at an aggregate consideration of £593,000 including stamp duty, representing 2.3 per cent. of the issued share capital of the Company as at 30 September 2010.

During the year, the Company purchased 638,218 Ordinary shares for treasury at an aggregate consideration of £379,000 representing 1.4 per cent. of the issued share capital as at 30 September 2010.

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The authority sought at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting will expire 18 months from the date that this resolution is passed or at the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company, whichever is earlier.

Treasury shares

Under the Companies (Acquisition of Own Shares) (Treasury Shares) Regulations 2003 (the "Regulations"), shares purchased by the Company out of distributable profits can be held as treasury shares, which may then be cancelled or sold for cash. The authority sought by these resolutions is intended to apply equally to shares to be held by the Company as treasury shares in accordance with the Regulations.

Special resolution number 13 will request the authority to permit Directors to sell treasury shares at the higher of the prevailing current share price and the price bought in at.

Cancellation of share capital

Special resolution 14 is a proposal (the 'Proposal') by the Board to increase the Company's distributable reserves by way of a reduction of the Company's share capital and cancellation of its capital redemption and share premium reserves, subject to shareholder approval and confirmation by the Court.

It is the Board's policy to pay regular and predictable dividends to shareholders as the Directors believe that this is a key source of shareholder value. The Company also has a policy of buying back its own shares for cancellation or for holding as treasury shares, when such purposes are considered to be to the advantage of the Company and shareholders as a whole. These shares are purchased at a discount to Net Asset Value which enhances the Company's Net Asset Value per share.

Under the Companies Act 2006 (the 'Act'), the Company is only permitted to pay dividends and to make buy backs from its accumulated distributable reserves. Therefore, the Board believes that increasing the distributable reserves is in the interests of shareholders. Details of these reserves are shown on page 35 of this Annual Report and Financial Statements.

The Directors believe that the Company should restructure its balance sheet by (1) cancelling and extinguishing 49 pence of the amount paid up on each of its issued Ordinary shares and reducing the nominal value of its issued Ordinary shares from 50 pence to 1 penny per share; and (2) cancelling the sum credited to its capital redemption and share premium reserves.

As stated in note 16 of the Company's Financial Statements, the Company's issued share capital as at 30 September 2011 and the date of this report was 46,215,450 Ordinary shares of 50 pence each, all of which had been issued as

fully paid. No further Ordinary shares have been issued or bought back since that date up to the date of this report. If the nominal value of each of these issued Ordinary shares is reduced from 50 pence to 1 penny, the Company's issued share capital will be reduced from £23,107,726 to £462,155.

The Company's capital redemption reserve was created as a result of previous buy-backs of the Company's shares. As at 30 September 2011, the amount credited to the Company's capital redemption reserve was £963,791.

The Company's share premium reserve accounts for the difference between the price paid for shares and the nominal value of the shares, less issue costs and transfers to special reserve. As at 30 September 2011, the amount credited to the Company's share premium account was £454,717.

It is anticipated that the Company will issue further shares and carry out further buy-backs of Ordinary Shares before the date of the final hearing (the "Final Hearing") of the Company's application to reduce its share capital and cancel its capital redemption and share premium reserves. The Company's issued share capital and amount credited to the capital redemption and share premium reserves will therefore be subject to changes after the Company's Annual General Meeting. Special resolution number 14 provides for (i) the reduction in nominal value of any Ordinary Shares of 50 pence each which are in issue at the close of business on the day before the date of the Final Hearing and (ii) the cancellation of the amount credited to the Company's capital redemption and share premium reserves as at the close of business on the day before the date of the Final Hearing.

The Proposal is a means of increasing the Company's distributable reserves available for the payment of dividends, for share buy-backs and for other corporate purposes. Subject to any creditor protection demanded by the Court (see below), the proposed reduction of share capital and cancellation of its capital redemption and special reserves will create additional distributable reserves of approximately £24.1 million.

As there is nothing in the Company's Articles prohibiting it from doing so, the Company may reduce its share capital and cancel its capital redemption and share premium reserves by obtaining the approval of shareholders by special resolution. If the special resolution is approved by shareholders, the Company will apply to Court for a Court Order and this is expected to take place during March 2012. The Court may require the Company to protect the interests of the creditors of the Company and the Company can confirm that it will seek approval from all creditors to this proposal. The main creditors, namely the Manager, and Berwin Leighton Paisner have already given their consent to the Proposal.

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In order for the cancellation of share capital to become effective, the Court Order confirming the reduction must be filed at Companies House for registration by the Registrar of Companies, usually 2-3 days after the date of Court approval.

As a result of this Proposal, and to take account of the implementation of parts of the Companies Act 2006, the Articles will be amended to remove all references to the Company's authorised share capital as the requirement to have an authorised share capital has been abolished. Directors will still be limited as to the number of shares they can at any time allot because an allotment authority for the Company continues to be required under the Companies Act 2006.

Recommendation

The Board believes that the passing of the resolutions above are in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders as a whole, and unanimously recommends that you vote in favour of these resolutions, as the Directors intend to do in respect of their own beneficial shareholdings of 263,488 shares.

Statement of Directors' responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' report and enhanced business review, the Directors' remuneration report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations. They are also responsible for ensuring that the Annual Report includes information required by the Listing Rules of the Financial Services Authority.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare Financial Statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have elected to prepare the Financial Statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the Directors must not approve the Financial Statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss 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 judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable 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, to disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and to enable them to ensure that the Financial Statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the Company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of the Financial Statements and other information included in annual reports may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

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

- the Financial Statements, which have been prepared in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Company; and
- the Management report included within the Chairman's statement, Manager's report and Director's report and enhanced business review includes a fair review of the development and performance of the business and the position of the Company, together with a description of the principal risks and uncertainties that it faces.

The names and functions of all the Directors are stated on page 9.

Disclosure of information to auditor

In the case of the persons who are Directors of the Company at the date of approval of this report:

- so far as each of the Directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware; and
- each of the Directors has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a Director to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information.

This disclosure is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of s418 of the Companies Act 2006.

By Order of the Board
Albion Ventures LLP
Company Secretary
1 King's Arms Yard
London, EC2R 7AF
21 December 2011

Statement of corporate governance

Background

The Financial Services Authority requires all listed companies to disclose how they have applied the principles and complied with the provisions of the UK Corporate Governance Code (the “Code”) issued by the Financial Reporting Council (“FRC”) in May 2010.

The Board of Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC has also considered the principles and recommendations of the AIC Code of Corporate Governance (“AIC Code”) by reference to the AIC Corporate Governance Guide for Investment Companies (“AIC Guide”). The AIC Code, as explained by the AIC Guide, addresses all the principles set out in Section 1 of the UK Corporate Governance Code, as well as setting out additional principles and recommendations on issues that are of specific relevance to Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC.

The Board considers that reporting against the principles and recommendations of the AIC Code, and by reference to the AIC Guide (which incorporates the UK Corporate Governance Code), will provide better information to shareholders than reporting under the Code alone.

The Company has complied with the recommendations of the AIC Code and the relevant provisions of the Code, except as set out below.

Application of the principles of the code

The Board attaches importance to matters set out in the Code and applies its principles. However, as a venture capital trust company, most of the Company’s day-to-day responsibilities are delegated to third parties and the Directors are all non-executive. Thus, not all the provisions of the Code are directly applicable to the Company.

Board of Directors

The Board consists solely of non-executive directors. Friedrich Ternofsky is the Chairman and Mary Anne Cordeiro is the Senior Independent Director. Since all Directors are non-executive and day-to-day management responsibilities are sub-contracted to the Manager, the Company does not have a Chief Executive Officer.

The Board has an independent Chairman, Friedrich Ternofsky, and a majority of independent Directors namely Mary Anne Cordeiro and Robin Archibald. John Kerr is not an independent Director as he is also a director of Albion Venture Capital Trust PLC, a fund managed by the Manager Albion Ventures LLP and he is also a member of the Investment Committee of Albion Ventures LLP. Patrick Reeve is not an independent Director as he is Managing Partner of Albion Ventures LLP, the Manager.

The Directors have a range of business and financial skills which are relevant to the Company; these are described in the Board of Directors section of this Report, on page 9. Directors are provided with key information on the Company’s activities, including regulatory and statutory requirements, and internal controls, by the Manager. The Board has direct access to secretarial advice and compliance services by the Manager, who is responsible for ensuring that Board procedures are followed and applicable procedures complied with. All Directors are able to take independent professional advice in furtherance of their duties if necessary. In accordance with the Code, the Company has in place Directors’ & Officers’ Liability Insurance.

The Board met five times during 2011 as part of its regular programme of Board meetings. All of the Directors attended each meeting. A sub-committee of the Board comprising at least two Directors met twice during the year to allot shares issued under the Dividend Reinvestment Scheme.

In addition, a sub-committee of the Board comprising at least two Directors met to finalise matters relating to the Albion VCTs Linked Top Up Offer, to allot shares under the Offer and to approve revisions to the Company’s investment allocation agreement that arose as a result of Albion Ventures LLP being appointed to manage Kings Arms Yard VCT PLC (formerly Spark VCT PLC) and Kings Arms Yard VCT 2 PLC (formerly Spark VCT 2 PLC).

The Chairman ensures that all Directors receive, in a timely manner, all relevant management, regulatory and financial information. The Board receives and considers reports regularly from the Manager and other key advisers. Ad hoc reports and information are supplied to the Board as required. The Board has a formal schedule of matters reserved for it and the agreement between the Company and its Manager sets out the matters over which the Manager has authority and limits beyond which Board approval must be sought.

The Manager has authority over the management of the investment portfolio, the organisation of custodial services, accounting, secretarial and administrative services. The main issues reserved for the Board include:

- the consideration and approval of future developments or changes to the investment policy, including risk and asset allocation;
- consideration of corporate strategy;
- application of the principles of the UK Corporate Governance Code, corporate governance and internal control;

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- review of sub-committee recommendations, including the recommendation to shareholders for the appointment and remuneration of auditors;
- approval of the appropriate dividend to be paid to shareholders;
- the appointment, evaluation, removal and remuneration of the Manager;
- the performance of the Company;
- share buy-back and treasury share programme; and
- monitoring shareholder profile and considering shareholder communications.

Committees' and Directors' performance evaluation

Performance of the Board and the Directors is assessed on the following:

- attendance at Board and Committee meetings;
- the contribution made by individual Directors at, and outside of, Board and Committee meetings; and
- completion of a detailed internal assessment process and annual performance evaluation conducted by the Chairman. The Senior Independent Director reviews the Chairman's annual performance evaluation.

The Board believes that it has the right balance of independence, skills, experience and knowledge for the effective governance of the Company. The Board considers any skills gaps in existence and takes action to remedy these where necessary.

Directors are offered training, both at the time of joining the Board and on other occasions where required. The Board also undertakes a proper and thorough evaluation of its committees on an annual basis.

Directors' retirement and re-election is subject to the Articles of Association and the AIC Code on Corporate Governance. Directors are subject to re-election every three years and non-independent Directors, to re-election every year.

In light of the structured performance evaluation, Mary Anne Cordeiro, John Kerr and Patrick Reeve, all of whom are subject to re-election at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, are considered to be effective and demonstrate strong commitment to the role. The Board believes it to be in the best interest of the Company to reappoint them at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Remuneration Committee

Since the Company has no executive directors, the detailed Directors' Remuneration disclosure requirements set out in Listing Rules as they relate to UK Corporate Governance Code provisions are not relevant.

Audit Committee

The Audit Committee consists of all Directors excluding Patrick Reeve. John Kerr is Chairman of the Audit Committee. In accordance with the Code, the members of the Audit Committee have recent and relevant financial experience. The Committee met twice during the year ended 30 September 2011; all members attended.

Written terms of reference have been constituted for the Audit Committee. These are as follows:

- providing an overview of the Company's accounting policies and financial reporting;
- considering and reviewing the effectiveness of the Company's internal controls and risk management systems;
- monitoring the integrity of the Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Company and any formal announcements relating to the Company's financial performance, reviewing significant financial reporting judgements contained in them;
- meeting the Company's external Auditor annually, approving their appointment, re-appointment, remuneration, terms of engagement and providing an ongoing review of Auditor independence and objectivity;
- monitoring and reviewing the external Auditor's independence and objectivity and the effectiveness of the audit process;
- developing and implementing a policy for the supply of non-audit services by the external Auditor;
- meeting the external Auditor at least once a year without the presence of the Manager;
- meeting with the internal Auditor of the Manager when appropriate;
- ensuring that all Directors of the Company and staff of the Manager feel able to raise issues of serious concern with the Chairman of the Audit Committee, and that these issues, where raised, are subject to proportionate and independent investigation, and appropriate action;

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- reporting to the Board, identifying any matters in respect of which action or improvement is needed and recommending appropriate steps to be taken; and
- undertaking the duties of the Engagement Committee, and reviewing the performance of the Manager and all matters arising under the Management Agreement.

During the year under review, the Committee discharged the responsibilities described above. Its activities included:

- formally reviewing the final Annual Report and Financial Statements, the Half-yearly Report, the Interim Management Statements and the associated announcements, with particular focus on the main areas requiring judgement and on critical accounting policies;
- reviewing the effectiveness of the internal controls system and examination of the Internal Controls Report produced by the Manager;
- meeting with the Partner in charge of Albion Ventures LLP's internal audit at Littlejohn LLP;
- meeting with the external Auditor and reviewing their findings; and
- reviewing the performance of the Manager and making recommendations regarding their re-appointment to the Board.

The Committee reviews the performance and continued suitability of the Company's external Auditor on an annual basis. They assess the external Auditor's independence, qualification, extent of relevant experience, effectiveness of audit procedures as well as the robustness of their quality assurance procedures. In advance of each audit, the Committee obtains confirmation from the external Auditor that they are independent and of the level of non-audit fees earned by them and their affiliates. There were no non-audit fees charged to the Company during the year.

Where non-audit fee levels are considered significant, the Committee considers the appropriateness of the independence safeguards put in place by the Auditor. Note 6 details the total fees paid to PKF (UK) LLP in the financial year to 30 September 2011. The Committee considers PKF (UK) LLP to be independent of the Company, and that the provision of non-audit services does not threaten the objectivity and independence of the audit. As part of its annual review procedures, the Committee has obtained sufficient assurance from their own evaluation and the audit feedback documentation. Based on the assurance obtained, the Committee has recommended to the Board that PKF

(UK) LLP is reappointed and that a resolution to this effect be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Nomination Committee

The Nomination Committee consists of all Directors, with Friedrich Ternofsky as Chairman. The terms of reference of the Nomination Committee are to evaluate the balance of skills, experience and time commitment of the current Board members and make recommendations to the Board as and when a particular vacancy arises. The Nomination Committee did not meet during 2011 and will meet when it is appropriate for it to do so.

It is the policy of the Company, as detailed in the Articles of Association, for one third of the Board of Directors to be re-elected each year in rotation. In accordance with the recommendations of the AIC Code, Directors who have served the Company for longer than nine years or are not independent directors are subject to annual re-election. The terms and conditions of Directors' appointment are available for inspection at the Annual General Meeting.

Internal control

In accordance with principle C.2 of the UK Corporate Governance Code, the Board has an established process for identifying, evaluating and managing the significant risks faced by the Company. This process has been in place throughout the year and continues to be subject to regular review by the Board in accordance with the Internal Control Guidance for Directors in the UK Corporate Governance Code published in September 1999 and updated in 2005 (the "Turnbull guidance"). The Board is responsible for the Company's system of internal control and for reviewing its effectiveness. However, such a system is designed to manage, rather than eliminate the risks of failure to achieve the Company's business objectives and can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

The Board's monitoring covers all controls, including financial, operational and compliance controls, and risk management. The Board receives each year from the Manager a formal report, which details the steps taken to monitor the areas of risk, including those that are not directly the responsibility of the Manager, and which reports the details of any known internal control failures. Steps are, and continue to be, taken to embed the system of internal control and risk management into the operations and culture of the Company and its key suppliers, and to deal with areas of improvement which come to the Manager's and the Board's attention.

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The Board has performed a specific assessment for the purpose of this Annual Report. This assessment considers all significant aspects of internal control arising during the year. The Audit Committee assists the Board in discharging its review responsibilities.

The main features of the internal control system with respect to financial reporting, implemented throughout the year are:

- segregation of duties between the preparation of valuations and recording into accounting records;
- independent valuations of the asset-backed investments within the portfolio are undertaken annually;
- reviews of valuations are carried out by the Managing Partner and reviews of financial reports are carried out by the Operations Partner of Albion Ventures LLP;
- bank and stock reconciliations are carried out monthly by the Manager in accordance with FSA requirements;
- all published financial reports are reviewed by Albion Ventures LLP Compliance department;
- the Board reviews financial information; and
- a separate Audit Committee of the Board reviews published financial information.

As the Board has delegated the investment management and administration to Albion Ventures LLP, the Board feels that it is not necessary to have its own internal audit function. Instead, the Board had access to Littlejohn LLP, which, as Internal Auditor for Albion Ventures LLP undertakes periodic examination of the business processes and controls environment at Albion Ventures LLP, and ensures that any recommendations to implement improvements in controls are carried out. During the year, Littlejohn LLP reported formally to the Board. The Board will continue to monitor its system of internal control in order to provide assurance that it operates as intended.

Going concern

In accordance with the "Going Concern and Liquidity Risk: Guidance for Directors of UK Companies 2009" issued by the Financial Reporting Council, the Board has assessed the Company's operation as a going concern. The Company has adequate cash and liquid resources, its portfolio of investments is diversified in terms of sector, and the major cash outflows of the Company (namely investments, buy-backs and dividends) are within the Company's control. Accordingly, after making diligent enquiries the Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for

the foreseeable future. For this reason, the Directors have adopted the going concern basis in preparing the accounts.

The Board's assessment of liquidity risk and details of the Company's policies for managing its capital and financial risks are shown in note 20. The Company's business activities, together with details of its performance are shown in the Directors' report and enhanced business review.

Conflicts of interest

Directors review the disclosure of conflicts of interest annually, with changes reviewed and noted at the beginning of each Board meeting. A Director who has conflicts of interest has two independent Directors authorise those conflicts. Procedures to disclose and authorise conflicts of interest have been adhered to throughout the year.

Capital structure and Articles of Association

Details regarding the Company's capital structure, substantial interests and Directors' powers to buy and issue shares are detailed in full on pages 17, 23 and 24 of the Directors' report and enhanced business review. The Company is not party to any significant agreements that may take effect, alter or terminate upon a change of control of the Company following a takeover bid.

Any amendments to the Company's Articles of Association are by way of a special resolution subject to ratification by shareholders.

Relationships with shareholders

The Company's Annual General Meeting on 6 February 2012 will be used as an opportunity to communicate with investors. The Board, including the Chairman of the Audit Committee, will be available to answer questions at the Annual General Meeting.

At the Annual General Meeting, the level of proxies lodged on each resolution, the balance for and against the resolution, and the number of votes withheld, are announced after the resolution has been voted on by a show of hands.

The Annual General Meeting will also include a presentation from the Manager on the portfolio and on the Company, and a presentation from an investee company.

Shareholders are able to access the latest information on the Company via the Albion Ventures LLP website www.albion-ventures.co.uk under the "Our Funds" section.

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Any enquiries relating to shareholdings and share certificates or changes to personal details can be directed to Computershare Investor Services PLC:

Tel: 0870 873 5859

(UK National Rate call, lines are open 8.30am – 5.30pm;

Mon – Fri calls may be recorded)

Website: www.computershare.co.uk

Specific enquiries relating to the performance of the Fund and for IFA information, please contact Albion Ventures LLP:

Tel: 020 7601 1850 (lines are open 9.00am – 5.30pm;

Mon – Fri, calls may be recorded)

Email: info@albion-ventures.co.uk

The Company's share buy-back programme operates in the market through brokers. In order to sell shares, as they are quoted on the London Stock Exchange, investors should approach a broker to undertake the sale. Banks may be able to assist shareholders with a referral to a broker within their banking group.

Statement of compliance

With the exception of the requirement to have a Remuneration Committee, the Directors consider that the Company has complied throughout the year ended 30 September 2011 with all the relevant provisions set out in Section 1 of the Code, and with the AIC Code of Corporate Governance. The Company continues to comply with the Code as at the date of this report.

Friedrich Ternofsky

Chairman

21 December 2011

Directors' remuneration report

Introduction

This report is submitted in accordance with Section 420 of the Companies Act 2006. The report also meets the relevant rules of the Listing Rules of the Financial Services Authority and describes how the Board has applied the principles relating to the Directors' remuneration. As required by the Act, a resolution to approve the report will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

UNAUDITED INFORMATION

Remuneration Committee

Since the Company's Board consists solely of non-executive Directors and there are no executive employees, a Remuneration Committee is not considered necessary.

Directors' remuneration policy

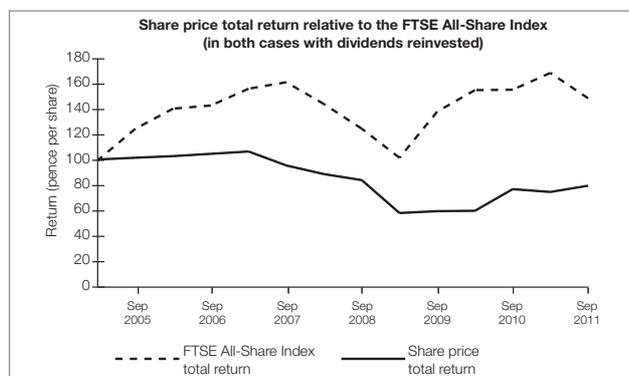
The Company's policy is that fees payable to non-executive Directors should reflect their expertise, responsibilities and time spent on Company matters. In determining the level of non-executive remuneration, market equivalents are considered in comparison to the overall activities and size of the Company.

The maximum aggregate level of non-executive Directors' remuneration is fixed by the Company's Articles of Association, not to exceed £120,000 per annum; amendment to this is by way of a special resolution subject to ratification by shareholders.

Performance graph

The graph below shows Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC's share price total return against the FTSE All-Share Index total return, in both instances with dividends reinvested. The Directors consider the FTSE All-Share Index to be the most appropriate benchmark for the Company. Investors should, however, be reminded that shares in VCTs generally trade at a discount to the actual net asset value of the Company.

There are no options, issued or exercisable, in the Company which would distort the graphical representation that follows.



Source: Albion Ventures LLP

Methodology: The share price return to the shareholder, including original amount invested (rebased to 100) from launch, assuming that dividends were re-invested at the share price of the Company at the time the shares were quoted ex-dividend. Transaction costs are not taken into account.

Service contracts

None of the Directors has a service contract with the Company.

The Company's Articles of Association provide for the resignation and, if approved, re-election of the Directors every three years at the Annual General Meeting. At the forthcoming Annual General Meeting Mary Anne Cordeiro, John Kerr and Patrick Reeve will retire and be proposed for re-election.

AUDITED INFORMATION

Directors' remuneration

The following items have been audited.

The following table shows an analysis of the remuneration of individual directors, exclusive of National Insurance or VAT:

	Year ended 30 September 2011 £'000	Year ended 30 September 2010 £'000
Friedrich Ternofsky	21	21
Robin Archibald (appointed 28 September 2010)	19	–
Mary Anne Cordeiro	19	19
John Kerr	19	19
Albion Ventures LLP (for Patrick Reeve's services)	19	19
David Watkins (resigned 27 September 2010)	–	19
	97	97

The Company does not confer any share options, long term incentives or retirement benefits to any Director, nor does it make a contribution to any pension scheme on behalf of the Directors.

Each Director of the Company was remunerated personally through the Manager's payroll which has been recharged to the Company, save for Patrick Reeve, whose services are provided by Albion Ventures LLP.

In addition to Directors' remuneration, the Company pays an annual premium in respect of Directors' & Officers' Liability Insurance of £8,300 (2010: £8,400).

By Order of the Board

Albion Ventures LLP

Company Secretary
1 King's Arms Yard
London, EC2R 7AF
21 December 2011

Independent Auditor's report to the Members of Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC

We have audited the Financial Statements of Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC for the year ended 30 September 2011 which comprise the Income statement, the Balance sheet, the Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds, the Cash flow statement and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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.

Respective responsibilities of Directors and auditor

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. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the Financial Statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the Financial Statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Directors; and the overall presentation of the Financial Statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the financial report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on Financial Statements

In our opinion the Financial Statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 30 September 2011 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Opinion 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;
- the information given in the Directors' report and enhanced business review for the financial year for which the Financial Statements are prepared is consistent with the Financial Statements; and
- the information given in the Statement of corporate governance set out on pages 26 to 30 in the Annual Report in compliance with rules 7.2.5 and 7.2.6 in the Disclosure Rules and Transparency Rules sourcebook issued by the Financial Services Authority (information about internal control and risk management systems in relation to financial reporting processes and about share capital structures) is consistent with the Financial Statements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following:

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

- 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 and the part of the Directors' remuneration report to be audited are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of Directors' remuneration specified by law are not made;
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- a corporate governance statement has not been prepared by the Company.

Under the Listing Rules we are required to review:

- the Directors' statement, set out in the Statement of corporate governance on page 29, in relation to going concern;
- the part of the Statement of corporate governance relating to the Company's compliance with the nine provisions of the UK Corporate Governance Code specified for our review; and
- certain elements of the report to shareholders by the Board on Directors' remuneration.

Rhodri Whitlock (Senior statutory auditor)
for and on behalf of PKF (UK) LLP, Statutory auditor
London, UK
21 December 2011

Income statement

	Note	Year ended 30 September 2011			Year ended 30 September 2010		
		Revenue £'000	Capital £'000	Total £'000	Revenue £'000	Capital £'000	Total £'000
(Losses)/gains on investments	3	–	(294)	(294)	–	1,348	1,348
Investment income	4	1,049	–	1,049	1,210	–	1,210
Investment management fees	5	(172)	(518)	(690)	(176)	(528)	(704)
Other expenses	6	(214)	–	(214)	(206)	–	(206)
Return/(loss) on ordinary activities before tax		663	(812)	(149)	828	820	1,648
Tax (charge)/credit on ordinary activities	8	(155)	136	(19)	(90)	157	67
Return/(loss) attributable to shareholders		508	(676)	(168)	738	977	1,715
Basic and diluted return/(loss) per share (pence)*	10	1.22	(1.62)	(0.40)	1.79	2.36	4.15

* excluding treasury shares

The accompanying notes on pages 37 to 50 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

The total column of this Income statement represents the profit and loss account of the Company. The supplementary revenue and capital columns have been prepared in accordance with the Association of Investment Companies' Statement of Recommended Practice.

All revenue and capital items in the above statement derive from continuing operations.

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year disclosed above. Accordingly a Statement of total recognised gains and losses is not required.

The difference between the reported (loss)/return on ordinary activities before tax and the historical (loss)/profit is due to the fair value movements on investments. As a result a note on historical cost profits and losses has not been prepared.

Balance sheet

	Note	30 September 2011 £'000	30 September 2010 £'000
Fixed asset investments			
Qualifying		22,391	25,320
Non-qualifying		1,933	–
Total fixed asset investments	11	24,324	25,320
Current assets			
Trade and other debtors	13	18	12
Current asset investments	13	469	–
Cash at bank and in hand	18	2,176	2,368
		2,663	2,380
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	(267)	(258)
Net current assets		2,396	2,122
Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year	15	–	143
Net assets		26,720	27,585
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	16	23,108	22,306
Share premium		455	12
Capital redemption reserve		963	460
Unrealised capital reserve		(8,476)	(8,524)
Special reserve		14,366	19,668
Treasury shares reserve		(3,167)	(2,788)
Realised capital reserve		(1,427)	(3,939)
Revenue reserve		898	390
Total equity shareholders' funds		26,720	27,585
Basic and diluted net asset value per share (pence)*	17	64.16	67.81

* excluding treasury shares

The accompanying notes on pages 37 to 50 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

These Financial Statements were approved by the Board of Directors, and authorised for issue on 21 December 2011 and were signed on its behalf by

Friedrich Ternofsky

Chairman

Company number: 5132495

Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

	Called-up share capital £'000	Share premium £'000	Capital redemption reserve £'000	Unrealised capital reserve* £'000	Special reserve* £'000	Treasury shares reserve* £'000	Realised capital reserve* £'000	Revenue reserve* £'000	Total £'000
As at 1 October 2010	22,306	12	460	(8,524)	19,668	(2,788)	(3,939)	390	27,585
Net realised gains on investments in the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,052	-	1,052
Unrealised losses on investments	-	-	-	(1,347)	-	-	-	-	(1,347)
Transfer of previously unrealised losses on disposal of investments	-	-	-	1,395	-	-	(1,395)	-	-
Capitalised investment management fee	-	-	-	-	-	-	(518)	-	(518)
Tax on capitalised management fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	136	-	136
Purchase of own shares for cancellation	(503)	-	503	-	(593)	-	-	-	(593)
Purchase of own treasury shares	-	-	-	-	-	(379)	-	-	(379)
Issue of equity (net of costs)	1,305	443	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,748
Transfer from special reserve to revenue reserve	-	-	-	-	(1,291)	-	-	1,291	-
Transfer from special reserve to realised capital reserve	-	-	-	-	(3,418)	-	3,418	-	-
Revenue return attributable to shareholders	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	508	508
Dividends paid	-	-	-	-	-	-	(181)	(1,291)	(1,472)
As at 30 September 2011	23,108	455	963	(8,476)	14,366	(3,167)	(1,427)	898	26,720

As at 1 October 2009	22,706	10	18	(10,385)	20,142	(2,788)	(2,772)	602	27,533
Net realised gains on investments in the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	542	-	542
Unrealised gains on investments	-	-	-	806	-	-	-	-	806
Transfer of previously unrealised losses on disposal of investments	-	-	-	1,055	-	-	(1,055)	-	-
Capitalised investment management fee	-	-	-	-	-	-	(528)	-	(528)
Tax on capitalised management fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	157	-	157
Purchase of own shares for cancellation	(442)	-	442	-	(474)	-	-	-	(474)
Issue of equity (net of costs)	42	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	44
Revenue return attributable to shareholders	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	738	738
Dividends paid	-	-	-	-	-	-	(283)	(950)	(1,233)
As at 30 September 2010	22,306	12	460	(8,524)	19,668	(2,788)	(3,939)	390	27,585

* Included within these reserves is an amount of £2,194,000 (2010: £4,807,000) which is considered distributable. The Special reserve has been treated as distributable in determining the amounts available for distribution.

The special reserve allows the Company, amongst other things, to facilitate the payment of dividends earlier than would otherwise have been possible as transfers can be made from this reserve to the realised capital reserve to offset gross losses on disposal of investments. Accordingly, a transfer of £3,418,000 representing gross realised losses on disposal of investments from launch to 30 September 2011 and historic capital dividends paid, has been made from the special reserve to the realised capital reserve.

In addition, a transfer of £1,291,000 representing the dividend payment made from revenue reserve has been made from the special reserve to the revenue reserve.

Cash flow statement

		Year ended 30 September 2011 £'000	Year ended 30 September 2010 £'000
	Note		
Operating activities			
Investment income received		1,064	1,119
Deposit interest received		25	52
Investment management fees paid		(692)	(730)
Other cash payments		(229)	(211)
Net cash flow from operating activities	19	168	230
Taxation			
UK corporation tax (recovered)/paid		(13)	38
Capital expenditure and financial investments			
Purchase of fixed asset investments		(1,762)	(2,692)
Disposal of fixed asset investments		2,086	2,449
Net cash flow from investing activities		324	(243)
Equity dividends paid			
Dividends paid (net of cost of shares issued under the dividend reinvestment scheme)		(1,395)	(1,176)
Management of liquid resources			
Disposal of current asset investment		–	2,500
Net cash flow from liquid resources		–	2,500
Net cash flow before financing		(916)	1,349
Financing			
Issue of share capital (net of issue costs)		1,671	–
Purchase of own shares		(947)	(474)
Cost of issue of share capital		–	(14)
Net cash flow from financing		724	(488)
Cash flow in the year	18	(192)	861

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Accounting convention

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of investments, in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards and with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Financial Statements of Investment Trust Companies and Venture Capital Trusts" ("SORP") issued by the Association of Investment Companies ("AIC") in January 2009. Accounting policies have been applied consistently in current and prior periods.

2. Accounting policies

Fixed and current asset investments

Quoted and unquoted equity investments, debt issued at a discount and convertible bonds

In accordance with FRS 26 "Financial Instruments Recognition and Measurement", quoted and unquoted equity, debt issued at a discount and convertible bonds are designated as fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL"). Investments listed on recognised exchanges are valued at the closing bid prices at the end of the accounting period. Unquoted investments' fair value is determined by the Directors in accordance with the September 2009 International Private Equity and Venture Capital Valuation Guidelines (IPEVCV guidelines).

Desk-top reviews are carried out by independent RICS qualified surveyors by updating previously prepared full valuations for current trading and market indices. Full valuations are prepared by similarly qualified surveyors but in full compliance with the RICS Red Book.

Fair value movements on equity investments and gains and losses arising on the disposal of investments are reflected in the capital column of the Income statement in accordance with the AIC SORP and realised gains or losses on the sale of investments will be reflected in the realised capital reserve, and unrealised gains or losses arising from the revaluation of investments will be reflected in the unrealised capital reserve.

Warrants and unquoted equity derived instruments

Warrants and unquoted equity derived instruments are only valued if their exercise or contractual conversion terms would allow them to be exercised or converted as at the balance sheet date, and if there is additional value to the Company in exercising or converting as at the balance sheet date. Otherwise these instruments are held at nil value. The valuation techniques used are those used for the underlying equity investment.

Unquoted loan stock

Unquoted loan stock (excluding convertible bonds and debt issued at a discount) are classified as loans and receivables as permitted by FRS 26 and carried at amortised cost using the Effective Interest Rate method less impairment. Movements in amortised cost relating to interest income are reflected in the revenue column of the Income statement, and hence are reflected in the revenue reserve, and movements in respect of capital provisions are reflected in the capital column of the Income statement and are reflected in the realised capital reserve following sale, or in the unrealised capital reserve on revaluation.

For all unquoted loan stock, whether fully performing, re-negotiated, past due or impaired, the Board considers that the fair value is equal to or greater than the security value of these assets. For unquoted loan stock, the amount of the impairment is the difference between the asset's cost and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate. The future cash flows are estimated based on the fair value of the security less the estimated selling costs.

Current asset investments

Contractual future contingent receipts on disposal of fixed asset investments are designated at fair value through profit and loss and are subsequently measured at fair value.

Dividend income is not recognised as part of the fair value movement of an investment, but is recognised separately as investment income through the revenue reserve when a share becomes ex-dividend.

Loan stock accrued interest is recognised in the Balance sheet as part of the carrying value of the loans and receivables at the end of each reporting period.

It is not the Company's policy to exercise control or significant influence over portfolio companies. Therefore in accordance with the exemptions under FRS 9 "Associates and joint ventures", those undertakings in which the Company holds more than 20 per cent. of the equity are not regarded as associated undertakings.

Investment income

Unquoted equity income

Dividend income is included in revenue when the investment is quoted ex-dividend.

Unquoted loan stock and other preferred income

Fixed returns on non-equity shares and debt securities are recognised on a time apportionment basis using an effective interest rate over the life of the financial instrument. Income which is not capable of being received within a reasonable period of time is reflected in the capital value of the investment.

Bank interest income

Interest income is recognised on an accruals basis using the rate of interest agreed with the bank.

Floating rate note income

Floating rate note income is recognised on an accruals basis using the interest rate applicable to the floating rate note at that time.

Notes to the Financial Statements continued

2. Accounting policies (continued)

Investment management fees and expenses

All expenses have been accounted for on an accruals basis. Expenses are charged through the revenue account except the following which are charged through the realised capital reserve:

- 75 per cent. of management fees are allocated to the capital account to the extent that these relate to an enhancement in the value of the investments. This is in line with the Board's expectation that over the long term 75 per cent. of the Company's investment returns will be in the form of capital gains; and
- expenses which are incidental to the purchase or disposal of an investment are charged through the realised capital reserve.

Performance incentive fee

In the event that a performance incentive fee crystallises, the fee will be allocated between revenue and realised capital reserves based upon the proportion to which the calculation of the fee is attributable to revenue and capital returns.

Taxation

Taxation is applied on a current basis in accordance with FRS 16 "Current tax". Taxation associated with capital expenses is applied in accordance with the SORP. In accordance with FRS 19 "Deferred tax", deferred taxation is provided in full on timing differences that result in an obligation at the balance sheet date to pay more tax or a right to pay less tax, at a future date, at rates expected to apply when they crystallise based on current tax rates and law. Timing differences arise from the inclusion of items of income and expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those in which they are included in the Financial Statements. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is regarded as more likely than not that they will be recovered.

The Directors have considered the requirements of FRS 19 and do not believe that any provision for deferred tax should be made.

Reserves

Share premium account

This reserve accounts for the difference between the price paid for shares and the nominal value of the shares, less issue costs and transfers to the special reserve.

Capital redemption reserve

This reserve accounts for amounts by which the issued share capital is diminished through the repurchase and cancellation of the Company's own shares.

Unrealised capital reserve

Increases and decreases in the valuation of investments held at the year end against cost are included in this reserve.

Special reserve

The cancellation of the share premium account has created a special reserve that can be used to fund market purchases and subsequent cancellation of own shares, to cover gross realised losses, and for other distributable purposes.

Treasury shares reserve

This reserve accounts for amounts by which the distributable reserves of the Company are diminished through the repurchase of the Company's own shares for treasury.

Realised capital reserve

The following are disclosed in this reserve:

- gains and losses compared to cost on the realisation of investments;
- expenses, together with the related taxation effect, charged in accordance with the above policies; and
- dividends paid to equity holders.

Dividends

In accordance with FRS 21 "Events after the balance sheet date", dividends declared by the Company are accounted for in the period in which the dividend has been paid or approved by shareholders in an Annual General Meeting.

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3. (Losses)/gains on investments

	Year ended 30 September 2011 £'000	Year ended 30 September 2010 £'000
Unrealised (losses)/gains on fixed asset investments held at fair value through profit or loss account	(1,630)	979
Unrealised reversal of impairments/(impairments) on fixed asset investments held at amortised cost	283	(173)
Unrealised (losses)/gains sub-total	(1,347)	806
Realised gains on fixed asset investments held at fair value through profit or loss account	218	685
Realised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments held at amortised cost	835	(140)
Realised losses on current asset investments held at fair value through profit or loss account	-	(3)
Realised gains sub-total	1,053	542
	(294)	1,348

Investments measured at amortised cost are unquoted loan stock investments as described in note 2.

4. Investment income

	Year ended 30 September 2011 £'000	Year ended 30 September 2010 £'000
Income recognised on investments held at fair value through profit or loss		
Floating rate note interest	-	2
Income from convertible bonds	-	64
Other income	-	2
	-	68
Income recognised on investments held at amortised cost		
Return on loan stock investments	1,018	1,094
Bank deposit interest	31	48
	1,049	1,142
	1,049	1,210

Interest income earned on impaired investments at 30 September 2011 amounted to £105,000 (2010: £346,000).

5. Investment management fees

	Year ended 30 September 2011			Year ended 30 September 2010		
	Revenue £'000	Capital £'000	Total £'000	Revenue £'000	Capital £'000	Total £'000
Investment management fee	172	518	690	176	528	704

Further details of the management agreement under which the investment management fee is paid are given in Directors' report and enhanced business review on page 22.

Notes to the Financial Statements continued

6. Other expenses

	Year ended 30 September 2011 £'000	Year ended 30 September 2010 £'000
Directors' fees (including VAT and NIC)	106	106
Other administrative expenses	67	62
Tax services	15	14
Auditor's remuneration for statutory audit services (including VAT)	26	24
	<u>214</u>	<u>206</u>

7. Directors' fees

The amounts paid to Directors during the year are as follows:

	Year ended 30 September 2011 £'000	Year ended 30 September 2010 £'000
Directors' fees	97	97
National insurance and/or VAT	9	9
	<u>106</u>	<u>106</u>

Further information regarding Directors' remuneration can be found in the Directors' remuneration report on page 31.

8. Tax (charge)/credit on ordinary activities

	Year ended 30 September 2011			Year ended 30 September 2010		
	Revenue £'000	Capital £'000	Total £'000	Revenue £'000	Capital £'000	Total £'000
UK corporation tax in respect of current year	(165)	136	(29)	(220)	157	(63)
UK corporation tax in respect of prior year (consortium relief)	10	-	10	130	-	130
Total	<u>(155)</u>	<u>136</u>	<u>(19)</u>	<u>(90)</u>	<u>157</u>	<u>67</u>

Factors affecting the tax (charge)/credit:

	Year ended 30 September 2011 £'000	Year ended 30 September 2010 £'000
(Loss)/return on ordinary activities before taxation	(149)	1,648
Tax credit/(charge) on profit at the standard rate	31	(461)
Factors affecting the charge:		
Non-taxable (losses)/gains	(60)	377
Consortium relief in respect of prior years	10	130
Marginal relief	-	21
	<u>(19)</u>	<u>67</u>

The tax charge for the year shown in the Income statement is lower than the small companies rate of corporation tax in the UK of 20 per cent. from 1 April 2011 (standard rate in 2010: 28 per cent.). The differences are explained above.

Notes:

- (i) *Venture Capital Trusts are not subject to corporation tax on capital gains.*
- (ii) *Tax relief on expenses charged to capital has been determined by allocating tax relief to expenses by reference to the applicable corporation tax rate and allocating the relief between revenue and capital in accordance with the SORP.*
- (iii) *No deferred tax asset or liability has arisen in the year.*

Notes to the Financial Statements continued

9. Dividends

	Year ended 30 September 2011 £'000	Year ended 30 September 2010 £'000
First dividend paid on 1 February 2010 – 1.25 pence per share	–	515
Second dividend paid on 9 July 2010 – 1.75 pence per share	–	718
First dividend paid on 31 January 2011 – 1.75 pence per share	728	–
Second dividend paid on 30 June 2011 – 1.75 pence per share	744	–
	<u>1,472</u>	<u>1,233</u>

In addition to the dividends summarised above, the Board has declared a first dividend for the year ending 30 September 2012 of 1.75 pence per share. This dividend will be paid on 31 January 2012 to shareholders on the register as at 6 January 2012. The total dividend will be approximately £729,000.

10. Basic and diluted return/(loss) per share

	Year ended 30 September 2011			Year ended 30 September 2010		
	Revenue	Capital	Total	Revenue	Capital	Total
Return/(loss) attributable to equity shares (£'000)	508	(676)	(168)	738	977	1,715
Weighted average shares in issue (excluding treasury shares)		41,597,268			41,308,479	
Return/(loss) attributable per equity share (pence)	<u>1.22</u>	<u>(1.62)</u>	<u>(0.40)</u>	<u>1.79</u>	<u>2.36</u>	<u>4.15</u>

The weighted average number of shares is calculated excluding treasury shares of 4,570,867 (2010: 3,932,649).

There are no convertible instruments, derivatives or contingent share agreements in issue, and therefore no dilution affecting the return per share. The basic return per share is therefore the same as the diluted return per share.

11. Fixed asset investments

	30 September 2011 £'000	30 September 2010 £'000
Qualifying unquoted equity and preference share investments	6,858	7,865
Qualifying unquoted loan stock investments (including convertible loan stocks)	15,533	17,455
Non-qualifying unquoted equity and preference share investments	1,159	–
Non-qualifying unquoted loan stock investments	774	–
	<u>24,324</u>	<u>25,320</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements continued

11. Fixed asset investments (continued)

	£'000
Opening valuation as at 1 October 2010	25,320
Purchases at cost	4,052
Disposal proceeds	(4,072)
Realised gains	1,052
Movement in loan stock accrued income	(212)
Transfer of unrealised gains to current asset investments	(469)
Unrealised losses	(1,347)
Closing valuation as at 30 September 2011	24,324
Opening accumulated movement in loan stock accrued income	762
Movement in loan stock accrued income	(212)
Closing accumulated movement in loan stock accrued income	550
Movement in unrealised losses	
Opening accumulated unrealised losses	(8,524)
Transfer of previously unrealised losses to realised reserve on disposal of investments	1,395
Transfer of unrealised gains to current asset investments	(469)
Movement in unrealised losses	(1,347)
Closing accumulated unrealised losses	(8,945)
Historic cost basis	
Opening book cost	33,082
Purchases at cost	4,052
Sales at cost	(4,415)
Closing book cost	32,719

Additions and disposals included in the Cash flow statement do not agree with the purchases and disposals above due to the settlement of debtors and creditors in different financial years.

Fixed asset investments held at fair value through profit or loss total £10,153,000 (2010: £10,033,000). Investments measured at amortised cost total £14,171,000 (2010: £15,287,000).

Unquoted loan stock investments (including those carried at fair value through profit and loss) with a fixed interest rate total £16,307,000 (2010: £16,955,000), and loan stock with a floating rate of interest total £nil (2010: £500,000).

The Directors believe that the carrying value of loan stock, measured at amortised cost, is not materially different to fair value.

The Company does not hold any assets as the result of the enforcement of security during the period, and believes that the carrying values for both impaired and past due assets are covered by the value of security held for these loan stock investments.

Investments held at fair value through profit or loss are valued in accordance with the IPEVCV guidelines as follows:

Valuation methodology	30 September 2011 £'000	30 September 2010 £'000
	Cost (reviewed for impairment)	888
Net asset value supported by third party or desktop valuation	1,579	1,816
Recent investment price	477	4,525
Earnings multiple	2,593	2,377
Revenue multiple	3,457	–
Agreed sale price	1,159	–
	10,153	10,033

Notes to the Financial Statements continued

11. Fixed asset investments (continued)

The unquoted equity investments had the following movements between valuation methodologies between 30 September 2010 and 30 September 2011:

Change in investment methodology (2010 to 2011)	Carrying value as at 30 September 2011	Explanatory note
Recent investment price to revenue multiple	1,355	Industry benchmarks available
Earnings multiple to revenue multiple	756	Temporary trading losses
Cost (reviewed for impairment) to earning multiple	352	Improvement in investment performance
Cost (reviewed for impairment) to recent investment price	47	More recent information available

The valuation method used will be the most appropriate valuation methodology for an investment within its market, with regard to the financial health of the investment and the IPEVCV Guidelines. The Directors believe that, within these parameters, there are no other reasonable methods of valuation which would be reasonable as at 30 September 2011.

The amended FRS 29 'Financial Instruments: Disclosures' requires the Company to disclose the valuation methods applied to its investments measured at fair value through profit or loss in a fair value hierarchy according to the following definitions:

Fair value hierarchy	Definition of valuation method
Level 1	Unadjusted quoted (bid) prices applied
Level 2	Inputs to valuation are from observable sources and are directly or indirectly derived from prices
Level 3	Inputs to valuations not based on observable market data

All of the Company's investments valued at fair value through the profit or loss are valued according to Level 3 valuation methods.

Investments valued at fair value through profit or loss (level 3) had the following movements in the year to 30 September 2011:

	30 September 2011 £'000	30 September 2010 £'000
Opening balance	10,033	6,814
Additions	2,657	1,101
Disposals	(1,657)	(1,059)
Realised gains	218	684
Debt/equity swap and representation of convertible bond and debt	532	2,509
Unrealised losses on equity investments	(1,630)	(16)
	10,153	10,033

FRS 29 requires the Directors to consider the impact of changing one or more of the inputs used as part of the valuation process to reasonable possible alternative assumptions. The valuation methodology applied to 32 per cent. of the equity and convertible bond investments (by valuation) are based on third party independent evidence and recent investment price. The Directors believe that changes to reasonable possible alternative input assumptions for the valuation of the portfolio could result in an increase in the valuation of investments by £1,628,000 or a decrease in the valuation of investments by £1,086,000.

Notes to the Financial Statements continued

12. Significant interests

The principal activity of the Company is to select and hold a portfolio of investments in unquoted securities. Although the Company, through the Manager, 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 the companies with unquoted securities may result in certain holdings in the portfolio representing a participating interest without there being any partnership, joint venture or management consortium agreement. The Company has interests of greater than 20 per cent. of the nominal value of any class of the allotted shares in the investee companies as at 30 September 2011 as described below:

Company	Country of incorporation	Principal activity	% class and share type	% total voting rights
CS (Norwich) Limited	Great Britain	Cinema	20.0% Ordinary	20.0%
Red-M Wireless Limited	Great Britain	Wireless network provider	26.1% A Ordinary	26.1%
Xceleron Limited	Great Britain	Bio-analytical services	21.7% A Ordinary	21.7%

As permitted by FRS 9, because the investments listed above are held as part of an investment portfolio, they are not accounted for as associated undertakings.

13. Current assets

	30 September 2011 £'000	30 September 2010 £'000
Debtors		
Prepayments and accrued income	18	12
	18	12

The Directors consider that the carrying amount of debtors is not materially different to their fair value.

	30 September 2011 £'000	30 September 2010 £'000
Current asset investments		
Contingent future receipts on disposal of fixed asset investments	469	–
	469	–

The fair value hierarchy applied to these investments is Level 3 (see page 43 for definitions).

The only movement in current asset investments held at fair value through profit or loss was the £469,000 recognition of contingent future receipts following disposal of fixed asset investments during the year.

14. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	30 September 2011 £'000	30 September 2010 £'000
Trade creditors	7	12
Other creditors	24	9
UK corporation tax payable	25	18
Accruals and deferred income	211	219
	267	258

The Directors consider that the carrying amount of creditors is not materially different to their fair value.

15. Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	30 September 2011 £'000	30 September 2010 £'000
Other debtors	–	143
	–	143

The Directors consider that the carrying amount of debtors falling due after more than one year is not materially different to their fair value.

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16. Called up share capital

	30 September 2011 £'000	30 September 2010 £'000
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
46,215,450 Ordinary shares of 50p each (2010: 44,611,586)	23,108	22,306

Voting rights

41,644,583 Ordinary shares of 50p each (net of treasury shares) (2010: 40,678,937).

The Company purchased 1,006,505 Ordinary shares (2010: 884,706) for cancellation at a cost of £593,000 (2010: £474,000) representing 2.3 per cent. of the allotted, called up and fully paid shares as at 30 September 2010.

The Company purchased 638,218 (2010: nil) for treasury during the year at a cost of £379,000 (2010: nil), representing 1.4 per cent. of the allotted, called up and fully paid shares as at 30 September 2010.

The Company holds a total of 4,570,867 shares (2010: 3,932,649) in treasury, representing 9.9 per cent. of the Ordinary share capital in issue as at 30 September 2011.

Under the terms of the Dividend Reinvestment Scheme Circular dated 22 December 2008, the following Ordinary shares of nominal value 50 pence were allotted during the year:

Date of allotment	Number of shares allotted	Aggregate nominal value of shares £'000	Issue price (pence per share)	Net consideration received £'000	Opening market price per share on allotment date (pence per share)
31 January 2011	51,207	26	66.06	34	60.0
30 June 2011	66,395	33	65.05	43	59.0
	<u>117,602</u>			<u>77</u>	

During the year the following Ordinary shares of nominal value 50 pence were allotted under the Albion VCTs Linked Top Up Offer:

Date of allotment	Number of shares allotted	Aggregate nominal value of shares £'000	Issue price (pence per share)	Net consideration received £'000	Opening market price per share on allotment date (pence per share)
7 January 2011	934,229	467	70.0	619	60.0
22 March 2011	909,795	455	71.4	614	58.0
5 April 2011	597,929	299	71.4	404	57.0
16 May 2011	50,814	25	71.4	34	55.0
	<u>2,492,767</u>			<u>1,671</u>	

17. Basic and diluted net asset values per share

	30 September 2011	30 September 2010
Basic and diluted net asset values per share (pence)	64.16	67.81

The basic and diluted net asset values per share at the year end are calculated in accordance with the Articles of Association and are based upon total shares in issue less the treasury shares, of 41,644,583 Ordinary shares (2010: 40,678,937).

There are no convertible instruments, derivatives or contingent share agreements in issue. Although the Company holds treasury shares, the Directors do not currently intend to re-issue these shares hence it is not anticipated that there would be a dilution effect through the holding of treasury shares.

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18. Analysis of changes in cash during the year

	Year ended 30 September 2011 £'000	Year ended 30 September 2010 £'000
Opening cash balances	2,368	1,507
Net cash flow	(192)	861
Closing cash balances	2,176	2,368

19. Reconciliation of net return on ordinary activities before taxation to net cash flow from operating activities

	Year ended 30 September 2011 £'000	Year ended 30 September 2010 £'000
Revenue return on ordinary activities before taxation	663	828
Investment management fee charged to capital	(518)	(528)
Movement in accrued amortised loan stock interest	46	(46)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(6)	3
Decrease in creditors	(17)	(27)
Net cash flow from operating activities	168	230

20. Capital and financial instruments risk management

The Company's capital comprises Ordinary shares as described in note 16. The Company is permitted to buy back its own shares for cancellation or treasury purposes, and this policy is described in more detail on page 6 of the Chairman's statement.

The Company's financial instruments comprise equity and loan stock investments in unquoted companies, cash balances and short and long term debtors and creditors which arise from its operations. The main purpose of these financial instruments is to generate cashflow and revenue and capital appreciation for the Company's operations. The Company has no gearing or other financial liabilities apart from short term creditors. The Company does not use any derivatives for the management of its balance sheet.

The principal risks arising from the Company's operations are:

- Investment (or market) risk (which comprises investment price and cash flow interest rate risk);
- credit risk; and
- liquidity risk.

The Board regularly reviews and agrees policies for managing each of these risks. There have been no changes in the nature of the risks that the Company has faced during the past year, and apart from where noted below, there have been no changes in the objectives, policies or processes for managing risks during the past year. The key risks are summarised below.

Investment risk

As a venture capital trust, it is the Company's specific nature to evaluate and control the investment risk in its portfolio of unquoted and quoted investments, details of which are shown on pages 12 to 14. Investment risk is the exposure of the Company to the revaluation and devaluation of investments. The main driver of investment risk is the operational and financial performance of the investee company and the dynamics of market quoted comparators. The Manager receives management accounts from investee companies, and members of the investment management team usually sit on the boards of unquoted investee companies; this enables the close identification, monitoring and management of investment risk.

The Manager and the Board formally review investment risk (which includes market price risk), both at the time of initial investment and at quarterly Board meetings.

The Board monitors the prices at which sales of investments are made to ensure that profits to the Company are maximised, and that valuations of investments retained within the portfolio appear sufficiently prudent and realistic compared to prices being achieved in the market for sales of unquoted investments.

The maximum investment risk as at the balance sheet date is the value of the fixed and current asset investment portfolio which is £24,793,000 (2010: £25,320,000). Fixed and current asset investments form 92.8 per cent. of the net asset value as at 30 September 2011 (2010: 91.9 per cent.).

More details regarding the classification of fixed asset investments are shown in note 11.

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20. Capital and financial instruments risk management (continued)

Investment price risk

Investment price risk is the risk that the fair value of future investment cash flows will fluctuate due to factors specific to an investment instrument or to a market in similar instruments. To mitigate the investment price risk for the Company as a whole, the strategy of the Company is to invest in a broad spread of industries with approximately two-thirds of the unquoted investments comprising debt securities, which, owing to the structure of their yield and the fact that they are usually secured, have a lower level of price volatility than equity. Details of the industries in which investments have been made are contained in the Portfolio of investments section on pages • to • and in the Manager's report.

Valuations are based on the most appropriate valuation methodology for an investment within its market, with regard to the financial health of the investment and the IPEVCV Guidelines.

As required under FRS 29 "Financial Instruments: Disclosures", the Board is required to illustrate by way of a sensitivity analysis the degree of exposure to market risk. The Board considers that the value of the fixed and current asset investment portfolio is sensitive to a 10 per cent. change based on the current economic climate. The impact of a 10 per cent. change has been selected as this is considered reasonable given the current level of volatility observed both on a historical basis and future expectations.

The sensitivity of a 10 per cent. increase or decrease in the valuation of the fixed and current asset investments (keeping all other variables constant) would increase or decrease the net asset value and return for the year by £2,479,000 (2010: £2,532,000).

Cash flow interest rate risk

It is the Company's policy to accept a degree of interest rate risk on its financial assets through the effect of interest rate changes. On the basis of the Company's analysis, it is estimated that a rise of half a percentage point in all interest rates would have increased total return before tax for the year by approximately £10,000. On the basis of the Company's analysis, it is considered that further falls in interest rates would not have a significant impact.

The weighted average interest rate applied to the Company's fixed rate assets during the year was approximately 5.6 per cent. (2010: 6.4 per cent.). The weighted average period to expected maturity for the fixed rate assets is approximately 2.1 years (2010: 2.6 years).

The Company's financial assets and liabilities as at 30 September 2011, all denominated in pounds sterling, consist of the following:

	30 September 2011				30 September 2010			
	Fixed rate £'000	Floating rate £'000	Non-interest bearing £'000	Total £'000	Fixed rate £'000	Floating rate £'000	Non-interest bearing £'000	Total £'000
Unquoted equity	–	–	8,017	8,017	–	–	7,865	7,865
Unquoted loan stock	15,930	–	377	16,307	16,955	500	–	17,455
Debtors	–	–	18	18	–	–	155	155
Current asset investments	–	–	469	469	–	–	–	–
Current liabilities	–	–	(267)	(267)	–	–	(258)	(258)
Cash	1,671	505	–	2,176	2,069	299	–	2,368
	17,601	505	8,614	26,720	19,024	799	7,762	27,585

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that the counterparty to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation or commitment that it has entered into with the Company. The Company is exposed to credit risk through its debtors, investment in loan stocks, and through the holding of cash on deposit with banks.

The Manager evaluates credit risk on loan stock and floating rate note instruments prior to investment, and as part of its ongoing monitoring of investments. In doing this, it takes into account the extent and quality of any security held. Typically loan stock instruments have a first fixed charge or a fixed and floating 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 often sit on the boards of unquoted investee companies; this enables the close identification, monitoring and management of investment specific credit risk.

The Manager and the Board formally review credit risk (including debtors) and other risks, both at the time of initial investment and at quarterly Board meetings.

The Company's total gross credit risk as at 30 September 2011 was limited to £16,307,000 (2010: £17,455,000) of unquoted loan stock instruments, £469,000 of current asset investments (2010: £nil) and £2,176,000 cash deposits with banks (2010: £2,368,000).

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20. Capital and financial instruments risk management (continued)

Credit risk (continued)

As at the balance sheet date, the cash held by the Group is held with the Royal Bank of Scotland plc, Lloyds TSB Bank Plc, Scottish Widows Bank plc and Standard Life Cash Savings (part of Barclays Bank plc). Credit risk on cash transactions is mitigated by transacting with counterparties that are regulated entities subject to prudential supervision, with high credit ratings assigned by international credit-rating agencies.

The Company has an informal policy of limiting counterparty banking and floating rate note exposure to a maximum of 20 per cent. of net asset value for any one counterparty.

The cost, impairment and carrying value of impaired loan stocks held at amortised cost at 30 September 2011 and 30 September 2010 are as follows:

	30 September 2011			30 September 2010		
	Cost £'000	Impairment £'000	Carrying value £'000	Cost £'000	Impairment £'000	Carrying value £'000
Impaired loan stock	6,034	(2,287)	3,747	9,857	(3,133)	6,724

Impaired loan stock instruments have a first fixed charge or a fixed and floating charge over the assets of the investee company and the Board estimate that the security value approximates to the carrying value.

Liquidity risk

Liquid assets are held as cash on current, deposit or short term money market accounts or similar instruments. Under the terms of its Articles, the Company has the ability to borrow up to 10 per cent. of its adjusted capital and reserves of the latest published audited balance sheet, which amounts to £2,672,000 as at 30 September 2011 (2010: £2,759,000).

The Company has no committed borrowing facilities as at 30 September 2011 (2010: £nil) and had cash balances of £2,176,000 (2010: £2,368,000). The main cash outflows are for new investments, the buy back of shares and dividend payments, which are within the control of the Company. The Manager formally reviews the cash requirements of the Company on a monthly basis, and the Board on a quarterly basis as part of its review of management accounts and forecasts. All the Company's financial liabilities are short term in nature and total £267,000 for the year to 30 September 2011 (2010: £258,000).

The carrying value of loan stock investments at 30 September 2011 as analysed by expected maturity dates is as follows:

Redemption date	Fully performing loan stock £'000	Renegotiated loan stock £'000	Impaired loan stock £'000	Past due loan stock £'000	Total £'000
Less than one year	2,038	–	920	4,631	7,589
1-2 years	191	630	120	89	1,030
2-3 years	75	786	2,086	718	3,665
3-5 years	1,730	226	621	1,167	3,744
+5 years	162	–	–	117	279
	4,196	1,642	3,747	6,722	16,307

Loan stocks can be past due as a result of interest or capital not being paid in accordance with contractual terms.

The average annual interest yield on the total cost of past due loan stocks is 5.7 per cent..

Loan stock with a carrying value of £678,000 had capital past due of less than 12 months and yielded an average of 15.5 per cent. interest on cost.

Loan stock with a carrying value of £1,409,000 had loan stock interest past due of less than 12 months.

Loan stock with a carrying value of £4,353,000 had loan stock interest past due greater than 12 months (through not paying all of its contractual interest), however has yielded 5.8 per cent. on cost during the year.

Loan stock with a carrying value of £282,000 had loan stock interest past due of 6 years.

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20. Capital and financial instruments risk management (continued)

Liquidity risk (continued)

The carrying value of loan stock investments at 30 September 2010 as analysed by expected maturity dates is as follows:

Redemption date	Fully performing loan stock £'000	Renegotiated loan stock £'000	Impaired loan stock £'000	Past due loan stock £'000	Total £'000
Less than one year	368	–	–	–	368
1-2 years	3,534	–	3,324	2,948	9,806
2-3 years	266	–	247	–	513
3-5 years	1,220	–	1,636	2,395	5,251
+5 years	–	–	1,517	–	1,517
	<u>5,388</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>6,724</u>	<u>5,343</u>	<u>17,455</u>

In view of the information shown, the Board considers that the Company is subject to low liquidity risk.

Fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities

All the Company's financial assets and liabilities as at 30 September 2011 are stated at fair value as determined by the Directors, with the exception of loans and receivables included within investments, debtors and creditors and cash, which are carried at amortised cost, in accordance with FRS 26. The Directors believe that the current carrying value of loan stock is not materially different to the fair value. There are no financial liabilities other than creditors. The Company's financial liabilities are all non-interest bearing. It is the Directors' opinion that the book value of the financial liabilities is not materially different to the fair value and all are payable within one year.

21. Commitments and contingencies

As at 30 September 2011, the Company was not committed to making any investments.

There are no contingent liabilities or guarantees given by the Company as at 30 September 2011 (30 September 2010: nil).

22. Post balance sheet events

Since 30 September 2011 the Company has had the following material post balance sheet events:

- Investment of £36,000 in DySIS Medical Limited in October 2011
- Investment of £385,000 in Helveta Limited in November 2011
- Investment of £239,000 in Mi-Pay Limited in November 2011
- Investment of £90,000 in The Street by Street Solar Programme Limited in November 2011
- Investment of £29,000 in Nelson House Hospital Limited in November 2011
- Investment of £90,000 in Regenerco Renewable Energy Limited in December 2011
- Cash of £625,000 received from Evolutions Group Limited in November 2011
- On 1 November 2011 the Company announced the launch of the Albion VCTs Linked Top Up Offer 2011/2012. In aggregate, the Albion VCTs will be aiming to raise up to £15 million across seven of the VCTs managed by Albion Ventures LLP, of which Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC's share will be approximately £2.25 million. The maximum amount raised by each of the Albion VCTs will be 10 per cent. of its issued share capital (over any one 12 month period, and including any shares issued under Dividend Reinvestment Schemes), being the amount that they may issue under the Prospectus Rules without the publication of a full prospectus.

The proceeds of the Offer will be used to provide further resources to the Albion VCTs at a time when a number of attractive new investment opportunities are being seen. An Investor Guide and Offer document have been sent to shareholders.

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23. Related party transactions

The Manager, Albion Ventures LLP, is considered to be a related party by virtue of the fact that Patrick Reeve, who is the Managing Partner of Albion Ventures LLP, the Manager, is a Director of the Company. During the year, investment management fees of a total value of £690,000 (2010: £704,000), were purchased by the Company from Albion Ventures LLP. At the financial year end, the amount due to Albion Ventures LLP in respect of these services disclosed within accruals and deferred income was £161,000 (2010: £163,000).

During the year, the Company was charged £18,500 by Albion Ventures LLP in respect of Patrick Reeve's services as a Director (excluding VAT) (2010: £18,500). At the year end, the amount due to Albion Ventures LLP in respect of these services disclosed as accruals and deferred income was £5,550 (2010: £5,434).

During the year the Company raised new funds through the Albion VCTs Linked Top Up Offer as detailed in note 16. The total cost of the issue of these shares was 5.5 per cent. of the sums subscribed. Of these costs, an amount of £3,450 was paid to the Manager, Albion Ventures LLP in respect of receiving agent services. There were no sums outstanding in respect of receiving agent services at the year end.

During the year, the Company purchased 1,644,723 Ordinary shares at a total cost of £972,000 using the services of Winterflood Securities Limited a company of which Robin Archibald is head of corporate finance and broking. These transactions were at arms length and in line with market practices. At the year end, the amount due to Winterflood Securities Limited in respect of share buy-backs and disclosed in other creditors was £24,000 (2010: nil).

There are no other related party transactions or balances requiring disclosure.

Notice of Annual General Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of Albion Income & Growth VCT PLC (the “Company”) will be held at the City of London Club, 19 Old Broad Street, London EC2N 1DS on 6 February 2012 at 12 noon for the following purposes:

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions, of which numbers 1 to 8 and 10 will be proposed as ordinary resolutions and numbers 9 and 11 to 14 as special resolutions.

Ordinary Business

1. To receive and adopt the Company’s accounts for the year ended 30 September 2011 together with the report of the Directors and Auditor.
2. To approve the Directors’ remuneration report for the year ended 30 September 2011.
3. To re-elect Mary Anne Cordeiro as a Director of the Company.
4. To re-elect John Kerr as a Director of the Company.
5. To re-elect Patrick Reeve as a Director of the Company.
6. To re-appoint PKF (UK) LLP as Auditor of the Company to hold office from conclusion of the meeting to the conclusion of the next meeting at which the accounts are to be laid.
7. To authorise the Directors to agree the Auditors’ remuneration.

Special Business

8. That the Company be authorised to send all documents, notices and information to shareholders by electronic means (as such term is defined in the Financial Services Authority’s Disclosure and Transparency Rules) including by means of a website and in all electronic forms. Shareholders will be required to “opt in” to receive electronic communications.
9. That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered by deleting the present Article 3 setting out the authorised share capital of the Company in its entirety.
10. That subject to and conditional on the passing of resolution number 9, the Directors be generally and unconditionally authorised in accordance with section 551 of the Companies Act 2006 (the “Act”) to allot Ordinary shares of nominal value 50 pence per share in the Company up to an aggregate nominal amount of £2,310,773 (or £46,215 following the reduction in nominal value proposed by resolution 14) provided that this authority shall expire 18 months from the date that this resolution is passed, or, if earlier, the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company but so that the Company may, before such expiry, make an offer or agreement which would or might require shares to be allotted or rights to subscribe for or convert securities into shares to be granted after such expiry and the Directors may allot shares or grant rights to subscribe for or convert securities into shares pursuant to such an offer or agreement as if this authority had not expired.
11. That subject to and conditional on the passing of resolution number 10, the Directors be empowered, pursuant to section 570 of the Act, to allot equity securities (within the meaning of section 560 of the Act) for cash pursuant to the authority conferred by resolution number 10 as if section 561(1) of the Act did not apply to any such allotment, provided that this power shall be limited to the allotment of equity securities:
 - (a) in connection with an offer of such securities by way of rights issue;
 - (b) pursuant to any Dividend Reinvestment Scheme introduced or operated by the Company; and
 - (c) otherwise than pursuant to paragraphs (a) to (b) above, up to an aggregate nominal amount of £2,310,773 (or £46,215 following the reduction in nominal value proposed by resolution 14),

and that this authority shall expire 18 months from the date that this resolution is passed or, if earlier, the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company, 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 any such offer or agreement as if this power had not expired.

This power applies in relation to a sale of treasury shares as if all references in this resolution to an allotment included any such sale and in the first paragraph of the resolution the words “pursuant to the authority conferred by resolution number 9” were omitted in relation to such a sale.

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“Rights issue” means an offer of equity securities to holders of shares in the capital of the Company on the register on a record date fixed by the Directors in proportion as nearly as may be to the respective numbers of ordinary shares held by them, but subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient to deal with any treasury shares, fractional entitlements or legal or practical issues arising under the laws of, or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory or any other matter.

12. That, the Company be generally and unconditionally authorised to make market purchases (within the meaning of Section 693(4) of the Act) of Ordinary shares of 50 pence (or 1 penny following the reduction in nominal value as proposed in resolution 14) each in the capital of the Company (“Ordinary shares”), on such terms as the Directors think fit, and where such shares are held as treasury shares, the Company may use them for the purposes set out in section 727 of the Act, provided that:
 - (a) the maximum aggregate number of shares hereby authorised to be purchased is 14.99 per cent. of the issued Ordinary share capital of the Company as at the date of the passing of this resolution;
 - (b) the minimum price which may be paid for a share shall be 50 pence (exclusive of expenses) (or 1 penny following the reduction in nominal value as proposed in resolution 14);
 - (c) the maximum price (exclusive of expenses) which may be paid for a share shall be an amount being not more than the higher of (i) 105 per cent. of the average of the middle market quotations (as derived from the Daily Official List of the London Stock Exchange) for the shares for the five business days immediately preceding the date of purchase and (ii) the higher of the price of the last independent trade and the highest current independent bid relating to a share on the trading venue where the purchase is carried out; and
 - (d) unless previously varied, revoked or renewed, the authority hereby conferred shall expire 18 months from the date that this resolution is passed or, if earlier, at the conclusion of the annual general meeting of the Company to be held after the passing of this resolution, save that the Company may, at any time prior to such expiry, enter into a contract or contracts to purchase shares under such authority which would or might be completed or executed wholly or partly after the expiration of such authority and may make a purchase of shares pursuant to any such contract or contracts as if the authority conferred hereby had not expired.

Under the Companies (Acquisition of Own Shares) (Treasury Shares) Regulations 2003 (the “Regulations”), Ordinary shares purchased by the Company out of distributable profits can be held as treasury shares, which may then be cancelled or sold for cash. The authority sought by this special resolution number 12 is intended to apply equally to shares to be held by the Company as treasury shares in accordance with the Regulations.

13. That the Directors be empowered to sell treasury shares at the higher of the prevailing current share price and the price bought in at.
14. That:
 - (a) the share capital of the Company be reduced by cancelling and extinguishing 49 pence of the amount paid up or credited as paid up on each of the Ordinary shares of 50 pence each in the capital of the Company which are in issue at 6 pm on the day before the date of the final hearing of the Company’s application to reduce its share capital and cancel its capital redemption and share premium reserves (the “Final Hearing”);
 - (b) the amount standing to the credit of capital redemption and share premium reserves of the Company at 6pm on the day before the date of the Final Hearing; be and is hereby cancelled.

By order of the Board

Albion Ventures LLP

Company Secretary
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Registered in England and Wales with number 5132495
21 December 2011

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Notes

1. Members entitled to attend, speak and vote at the Annual General Meeting (“AGM”) may appoint a proxy or proxies (who need not be a member of the Company) to exercise these rights in their place at the meeting. A member may appoint more than one proxy, provided that each proxy is appointed to exercise the rights attached to different shares. Proxies may only be appointed by:
 - completing and returning the Form of Proxy enclosed with this Notice to Computershare Investor Services PLC, The Pavilions, Bridgwater Road, Bristol BS99 6ZZ;
 - going to www.computershare.co.uk and following the instructions provided there; or
 - by having an appropriate CREST message transmitted, if you are a user of the CREST system (including CREST personal members).

Return of the Form of Proxy will not preclude a member from attending the meeting and voting in person. You may not use any electronic address provided in the Notice of this AGM to communicate with the Company for any purposes other than those expressly stated.

To be effective the Form of Proxy must be completed in accordance with the instructions and received by the Registrars of the Company by 12 noon on 2 February 2012.

2. Any person to whom this Notice is sent who is a person nominated under section 146 Companies Act 2006 to enjoy information rights (a “Nominated Person”) may, under an agreement between him or her and the member by whom he or she was nominated, have a right to be appointed (or to have someone else appointed) as a proxy for the AGM. If a Nominated Person has no such proxy appointment right or does not wish to exercise it, he or she may, under any such agreement, have a right to give instructions to the member as to the exercise of voting rights.

The statement of rights of members in relation to the appointment of proxies in Note 1 above does not apply to Nominated Persons. The rights described in that note can only be exercised by members of the Company.

3. To be entitled to attend and vote at the AGM (and for the purpose of the determination by the Company of the votes they may cast), members must be registered in the register of members of the Company at 12 noon on 2 February 2012 (or, in the event of any adjournment, on the date which is two days before the time of the adjourned meeting). Changes to the register of members after the relevant deadline shall be disregarded in determining the rights of any person to attend and vote at the meeting.
4. CREST members who wish to appoint a proxy or proxies through the CREST electronic proxy appointment service may do so for this AGM and any adjournment(s) by using the procedures described in the CREST Manual. 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 or instruction made using the CREST service to be valid, the appropriate CREST message (a “CREST Proxy Instruction”) must be properly authenticated in accordance with Euroclear UK and Ireland Limited’s specifications, and must contain the information required for such instruction, as described in the CREST Manual (available via www.euroclear.com/CREST). The message, regardless of whether it constitutes the appointment of a proxy or is an amendment to the instruction given to a previously appointed proxy must, in order to be valid, be transmitted so as to be received by the issuer’s agent by 12 noon 2 February 2012. For this purpose, the time of receipt will be taken to be the time (as determined by the time stamp applied to the message by the CREST Application Host) from which the issuer’s agent is able to retrieve the message by enquiry to CREST in the manner prescribed by CREST. After this time any change of instructions to proxies appointed through CREST should be communicated to the appointee through other means.

CREST members and, where applicable, their CREST sponsors or voting service providers should note that Euroclear UK and Ireland Limited does not make available special procedures in CREST for any particular message. 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, 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.

5. Any corporation which is a member can appoint one or more corporate representatives who may exercise on its behalf all of its powers as a member provided that they do not do so in relation to the same shares.
6. A copy of this Notice, and other information regarding the AGM, as required by section 311A Companies Act 2006, is available from www.albion-ventures.co.uk under the “Our Funds” section.
7. Any member attending the meeting has the right to ask questions. The Company must cause to be answered any such question relating to the business being dealt with at the meeting but no such answer need be given if (a) to do so would interfere unduly with the preparation for the meeting or involve the disclosure of confidential information, (b) the answer has already been given on a website in the form of an answer to a question, or (c) it is undesirable in the interests of the Company or the good order of the meeting that the question be answered.
8. As at 21 December 2011 (being the latest practicable date prior to the publication of this Notice), the Company’s issued share capital consists of 46,215,450 ordinary shares carrying one vote each. The Company also holds 4,570,867 ordinary shares in treasury. Therefore, the total voting rights in the Company as at 21 December 2011 are 41,644,583.

