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DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 04943684

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2017



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GALMARLEY LIMITED

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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TRADING AS BULLIONVAULT.COM COMPANY INFORMATION

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STRATEGIC REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2017

The directors present their strategic report for the year ended 31 October 2017.

Principal activity

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of enabling its customers to buy and sell high integrity physical gold, silver and platinum bullion, via the internet, and arranging the custody of the bullion in professional vaults in London, New York, Singapore, Toronto and Zurich. The company delivers its service through the BullionVault.com website.

Fair review of the business

2017 results

In a quiet market for precious metals the company made modest progress in the year to 31 October 2017. By the year end BullionVault has had 69,341 users (2016: 64,147). In this, the tenth full year of trading bullion, sales amounted to £238m (2016: £417m). We missed sales and revenue from EBT schemes, but these were always recognised to be a non-recurring revenue stream likely to be lost, and indeed a change in legislation effective in March 2016 saw their contribution to the year to October 2017 drop to zero.

Profits before tax fell to £2.94m (2016: £5.64m).

Our custody revenues rose well, again, by 19%. Gold tonnage stored was up again (+4.9%) and silver tonnage grew healthily (+9%). These improvements continue to compare favourably against our peers.

Our commission revenues were sharply lower - again reflecting the cessation of the EBT transactions.

Interest received was down again, at £0.2m.

User comments about us on independent sites remain strongly positive, which is a credit particularly to the quality of our personal style of customer service as well as to the exceptionally low prices at which we offer bullion and storage. Our ranking on Trustpilot - the leader of the independent review sites is now 9.4 / 10 [Excellent].

Costs remain well controlled and the company's accounting policies remain consistent year to year.

Gold

The gold price has been relatively non-volatile, sliding slowly in GBP, recording a 9% price fall (though of course much of this was because of GBP appreciation).

As at 31 Oct 2017 we were looking after 38.05 tonnes (2016: 36.27 tonnes).

Silver

Silver prices fell 13% in the year in GBP terms.

As at 31 Oct 2017 we were looking after 689.6 tonnes (2016: 633 tonnes).

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Headcount

During the year under review our staff headcount remained stable at 31 with a further 4 Directors.

Financial strength

The company again consolidated its finances, though by less than previously, because having reached a wholly satisfactory level of reserves the company changed its policy on dividends and paid out a larger proportion of the profits to shareholders. At the year-end we retain net shareholders' funds of £33.3 million (2016: £32.8m) which sum is mostly held in immediately marketable bullion, or in cash held at call. Post balance sheet date this will have been depleted by the January 2018 dividend payment.

The increased dividend of £5.50 returned about £2m to our shareholders in January 2017. The dividend was maintained at the same level to be paid to shareholders in January 2018 in respect of 2017 profits.

Current market position and trading

BullionVault is by a wide margin the leading supplier of main-market gold bullion to the UK retail customer and is a significant player on the world stage.

Currency fluctuations in the year to Oct 2017 - namely stronger Sterling - depressed profits reported in Sterling.

It is likely that the Bitcoin phenomenon also impacted profits in 2017. We believe it will have taken a proportion of money which was looking to exit the major currencies, and which might otherwise have found a long-term home in bullion. Despite some commercial pressure we elected to avoid participating in Bitcoin or indeed any other crypto currencies. We remain sceptical about them but retain an open mind for this very youthful marketplace.

As always, we will post lower profits when Sterling appreciates as it did in 2017, however, this is when our profits are most valuable in global terms, as our Sterling assets buy more gold, silver and indeed more of everything. Essentially an increase in the purchasing power of our balance sheet assets arising from strengthening Sterling amounts to a tax-free gain, which offsets the higher tax charge which we are required to pay - possibly unfairly - when elevated profits are reported in Sterling primarily because of its fall (as in 2016).

It is worth re-iterating that it is never possible to hedge out of currency risk when you have a substantial balance sheet, as we do.

We have not changed our sceptical position on Quantitative Easing in Europe and on wider monetary policy issues which we believe favour gold and gold owners. We regard the ultimate failure of these sorts of policy experiments as being both relatively likely and materially beneficial to the company not necessarily by comparison with direct competitors, who will be similarly advantaged, but more by comparison with alternatives like more traditional stock and bond markets.

We continue to regard the future with a high degree of confidence.

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WhiskyInvestDirect

We continue to be pleased with the progress of WhiskylnvestDirect. It has attracted over 1500 customers (2016: 1,000) who have between them bought approximately 4.2m LPA of maturing barrel whisky.

Only two and a half years after launch WID is profitable. It has now eliminated the deficit on reserves resulting from launch costs. It is in the process of paying down the modest backlog of preference share dividends. WID is increasingly well known in the trade where more and more distillers are pleased to sell some of their maturing stock, via WID, to private investors, as part of their wider stock-holding and maturation strategy.

WID's wholly owned brand subsidiary, James Eadie Ltd, continued to market specialist bottlings, and re-launched its own historic blend 'James Eadie - Trademark X' which has been well received by reviewers and commentators. James Eadie is running at a loss, which is likely to continue for some years as it develops its market position and presence.

Results and dividends

An interim dividend of £5.50 per £1 ordinary share was paid during the year.

The company paid a further dividend of £5.50 per £1 ordinary share to holders of shares as at 27 January 2018.

Approved by the Board on ... 20/2/18..... and signed on its behalf by:

P G Tustain Director

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DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2017

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2017.

Directors of the company

The directors who held office during the year were as follows:

R P Glynne

G Lockwood

T Levene

P G Tustain

Financial risks

The company incurs certain risks in relation to financial transactions during the course of operating its business.

Financial risk management and objectives

The key objective in using financial transactions is the maintenance of a float of bullion and currency in order that the company's bullion trading computer programs have sufficient access to funds and bullion to be able to trade and settle trades on the BullionVault order board, where the rules require instantaneous settlement. This means any bullion sold on the order board by the company must already belong to the company, and be released into the vault before being sold, and any money used to bid for bullion must already be at the company's bank, and be capable of being immediately credited to the seller in cleared funds.

So, more specifically, the objectives of our financial transactions are:-

- 1. To ensure an immediately available inventory of US Dollars, Euros, Yen and Pounds Sterling, cleared in bank accounts, while not unduly exposing the company to currency risk.
- To ensure an immediately available inventory of bullion vaulted in London, New York, Singapore, Toronto and Zurich, while not unduly exposing the company to risks of dramatic bullion price movements.

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Policies

To meet these objectives the company engages in two main styles of financial transaction giving rise to material risk.

- 1. Gold and silver bullion trades. These are executed with reputable London bullion dealers. The company currently has accounts with three bullion dealing banks. All are members of the London Bullion Market Association. The company buys bullion from them usually for settlement within 24 or 48 hours and is required to pay before receipt of bullion, on the day settlement is due. Making that payment prior to delivery exposes the company to a counterparty default.
- 2. Trades giving rise to a long position in gold or a foreign currency. Given that the company has shareholders' funds amounting to £33m this has to be held somehow. Leaving it all in sterling (or hedging positions to create a uniquely sterling based risk profile) eliminates any risk of nominal sterling profits or losses arising from rises or falls in the prices of currency and bullion. However that policy would run the risk of a slide in sterling's value significantly impairing the company's ability to buy bullion and FX for stock. In order to mitigate to some degree the risk of such a slide in sterling from impacting the business the company elects to maintain material positions in both bullion and foreign currency. Currently these do not exceed 50% of shareholders' funds. Holding assets which are not sterling gives rise to the possibility of both profits and losses, when, at the end of the year, the holding is presented at its then market value.

There is no material risk regarding the spot and forward currency transactions which the company also undertakes, as in these the amount owed (in one currency) is in value terms owing (in another currency), and both amounts are open with the same counterparty and/or settle at the same time.

The company is not at material risk from customer default because customers can only purchase bullion with cleared money already received by the company. Similarly customers can only sell bullion already in the custody of the company.

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Exposure to particular risks

Bullion Supplier default

Before explaining the nature of the company's biggest risk it is important to point out that this risks only the company's money. Neither client money nor client bullion is exposed.

In our view the default of a market counterparty is the company's biggest direct financial risk. Although we always pay on the day settlement is due we could conceivably pay a counterparty in the morning for the afternoon delivery of bullion, which might not proceed if the counterparty were to fail after receiving our money, and before delivering us our bullion.

There is no 100% safe counterparty.

Our counterparties for bullion trades are all LBMA member firms. We have a number of suppliers so that we can avoid an undue concentration of counterparty risk. As far as we can we arrange our purchases to prevent too much being settled on one day with one counterparty.

We try to keep settlements below £4m and we are successful in more than 95% of cases. This does not reduce the risk of a default by a major bullion bank, but does somewhat reduce its consequence.

We would favour suppliers who segregate money upon receipt, and hold it segregated until we receive delivery of our bullion. Although there is still the risk of operational abuse by a provider (i.e. failure to segregate correctly when under duress) we believe segregation probably offers us better protection than balance sheet size, because modern balance sheets in the banking sector are not generally both comprehensive and credible.

But our major suppliers do not segregate our money upon receipt, which means they do not have to finance our purchase for one or two hours with their own funds. This benefits them in lower costs, and benefits us in their more competitive pricing.

This raises a question of judgment which the board keeps under review. We must weigh the risk of default in that two hour period against the higher pricing which goes with a segregated service. By exercising good judgment we would switch from a competitive unsegregated service to a less competitive but segregated service at any time which suggested increased risks of default, and we have to bear in mind that it is exactly when the risk of defaults increases that we are likely to be at our busiest.

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Reporting currency risk

In view of the amounts of liquidity injected into the financial system since 2009 we regard it as a diminishing risk that we will see dramatic financial failures. There is, nevertheless, a risk of currency failure. This is as serious for us and places us and all other businesses in a difficult dilemma.

Again I stress this is a risk for the shareholders' funds and not for clients.

We report in Sterling, and manage our gold and FX positions so as to leave them essentially flat. But if we flatten our gold and foreign currency positions completely, then by definition our £33m of shareholders' funds are exposed to fluctuations in the purchasing power of Sterling.

A prolonged or dramatic fall in Sterling - which is still a material risk - would lose our shareholders a great deal of purchasing power, but not generate reportable or tax losses. It would limit our ability to buy gold and expand our business and it would reduce our balance sheet worth expressed - for example - in dollars.

Given the level of deficits and the general unreliability of Sterling as a store of value we must consider diversifying our shareholders' funds to other assets - whether that be currency, or gold, or something else again. The board must exercise a difficult judgment here. Howsoever we choose to distribute our shareholders' funds across monetary assets we risk re-valuation losses. This risk is unavoidable unless we take the even bigger risk of putting all our eggs in the basket of Sterling.

Bank failure

Lloyds Bank continues to rebuild itself and - so far as its shares are concerned - is close to being entirely free from the British government's embrace. But it remains the case that its default would be very serious for Galmarley. There would be long delays before the company could reclaim anything.

Regarding the failure of Lloyds it is supposed to be the case that designated client accounts, such as those in which BullionVault users' money is kept, permit those clients to be individually protected by government backed deposit protection - up to the normal personal limits. Therefore BullionVault clients ought to remain protected to some extent in the event of a failure of Lloyds. Nevertheless with a failure of Lloyds it is unlikely that government protection applying on client funds would redeem client money either quickly, or completely, or with its original purchasing power. Additionally, the company's own funds would be materially above any deposit protection threshold.

We also have US dollars deposited at Wells Fargo. Whilst this appears to be one of the strongest banks in certainly the financially strongest country on Earth, for completeness we must reference that our business is exposed there too. This is automatic for anyone who has a reputational or financial interest in a bank's solvency.

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Market risk

The company is exposed to movements in the gold price. It maintains an unhedged gold inventory of approximately 70kg (previously 50kg) which is allowed to float up and down by a maximum of 24kg before being corrected by a market trade.

We also keep up to about 32% (£11m) of our shareholders funds in US\$, although this was reduced during the last financial year and is currently maintained at about \$2.5m.

We do not seek to hedge these balances entirely out of market risk. At current prices a maximum long of 94kg undergoing a two percent price fall in gold - which would be a sharp one day move - costs the company about £58,000 in inventory losses, which is easily absorbed by our financial strength. By the same token price rises produce similar inventory profits. The \$ position produces rather more violent swings, with a 1% move in \$/£ producing profit or loss of up to +/- £80,000.

Neither the gold nor US\$ positions, nor the smaller € or silver positions are considered a material risk.

Liquidity risk

The company only operates in bullion and currency markets both of which are among the deepest capital markets in the world. There is minimal risk of these markets becoming illiquid in normal circumstances. Gold has had by far the best long term record of deep and liquid markets of any financial asset in history.

All customers now have direct access to the London Bullion Market - the biggest bullion market in the world. In any marketplace nothing can guarantee a determined seller access to a willing buyer. However by providing direct dealing access to all our other customers, and direct access to the London Bullion Market, the risk of a failure of liquidity is in our opinion as low as it can reasonably be.

Cash flow risk

The company has no current material risk in terms of cash flow. The company has sufficient liquid assets to meet all expenses at the current level for 5 years - even in the absence of any revenues.

The company's assets are almost entirely held in currency and bullion which are both highly liquid, so excepting supplier default there is no realistic danger of not being able to raise any cash required in the short and medium term.

Other financial risks

The most material other financial risk to the business is customer fraud. In the course of normal business we pay large sums by bank wire to our customers' original funding bank account. We regard every substantial payment as having a potential for serious loss. Nevertheless we must pay our customers quickly and efficiently when they demand it. We maintain tight control of our procedures in this regard.

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Other risks

The Directors believe that there are - as in any business - unquantifiable risks relating to, for example, reputation and unpredictable force majeure events. These are a general feature of a modern business environment, although there are no specific known instances to which the business is materially exposed.

Data breach (hacking) is also a material risk.

Future Developments

The future developments of the business are included within the strategic report.

Disclosure of information to the auditors

Each director has taken steps that they ought to have taken as a director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information. The directors confirm that there is no relevant information that they know of and of which they know the auditors are unaware.

Reappointment of auditors

The auditors Albert Goodman LLP are deemed to be reappointed under section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Board on 20/2/18 and signed on its behalf by:

P G Tustain Director

TRADING AS BULLIONVAULT.COM STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with 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 apply them consistently;
- · make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 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 financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF GALMARLEY LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Galmarley Limited (the 'company') for the year ended 31 October 2017, which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, Statement of Comprehensive Income, Balance Sheet, Statement of Changes in Equity, Statement of Cash Flows, and Notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 October 2017 and of its profit 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.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Use of our report

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties
 that may cast significant doubt about the company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern
 basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial
 statements are authorised for issue.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF GALMARLEY LIMITED

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

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

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us 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 are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- · certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities [set out on page 11], the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

TRADING AS BULLIONVAULT.COM INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF GALMARLEY LIMITED

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

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Alison Kerr FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of Albert Goodman LLP, Statutory Auditor

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23 March 2018

TRADING AS BULLIONVAULT.COM PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2017

	Note	2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
Turnover	3	236,454	417,125
Cost of sales		(230,875)	(407,806)
Gross profit		5,579	9,318
Administrative expenses		(2,534)	(3,479)
Other operating income		172	61
Operating profit		3,216	5,901
Interest payable and similar charges	4	(280)	(264)
Profit before tax		2,936	5,637
Taxation	8	(560)	(1,131)
Profit for the financial year		2,376	4,506

The above results were derived from continuing operations.

TRADING AS BULLIONVAULT.COM STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2017

	2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
Profit for the year	2,376	4,506
Total comprehensive income for the year	2,376	4,506

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2017

		2017	2016
	Note	£ 000	£ 000
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	9	19	-
Tangible assets	10	35	22
Investments	11	2,000	2,000
		2,054	2,022
Current assets			
Stocks	12	18,485	21,199
Debtors	13	9,572	11,670
Cash at bank and in hand		22,442	20,786
		50,500	53,656
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	15	(16,408)	(19,829)
Net current assets		34,091	33,827
Total assets less current liabilities		36,145	35,849
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	15	(2,807)	(3,046)
Net assets		33,338	32,803
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	18	363	361
Share premium reserve		8,462	8,369
Profit and loss reserve		24,512	24,073
Total equity		33,338	32,803

Approved and authorised by the Board on $\frac{20}{2}/18$ and signed on its behalf by:

P G Tustain Director

TRADING AS BULLIONVAULT.COM STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2017

At 1 November 2016	Ordinary share capital £ 000	Share premium £ 000 8,369	Profit and loss reserve £ 000 24,073	Total £ 000 32,803
Movement in year:				
Profit for the year			2,376	2,376
Total comprehensive income	-	-	2,376	2,376
Dividends		-	(1,997)	(1,997)
New share capital subscribed Share based payment	3	93	-	96
transactions			60	60
Total movement for the year	3	93	439	535
At 31 October 2017	363	8,462	24,512	33,338
At 1 November 2015	Ordinary share capital £ 000 361	Share premium £ 000 8.369	Profit and loss reserve £ 000 20,072	Total £ 000 28,802
At 1 November 2015				
Movement in year:				
Profit for the year			4,506	4,506
Total comprehensive income	-	-	4,506	4,506
Dividends			(505)	(505)
Total movement for the year			4,001	4,001
At 31 October 2016	361	8,369	24,073	32,803

TRADING AS BULLIONVAULT.COM STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2017

	Note	2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Profit for the year Adjustments to cash flows from non-cash items		2,376	4,506
Depreciation and amortisation		18	14
Financial instrument net (gains) losses through profit and loss		(776)	2,992
Finance costs	4	280	264
Share based payment transactions		60	-
Taxation expense	8	560	1,131
		2,519	8,907
Working capital adjustments			
Decrease/(increase) in stocks	12	2,714	(3,416)
Decrease in trade and other debtors	13	2,098	3,417
Decrease in trade and other creditors	15	(2,602)	(2,883)
Cash generated from operations		4,729	6,025
Corporation tax paid	8	(840)	(852)
Net cash flow from operating activities		3,889	5,173
Cash flows from investing activities			
Acquisitions of tangible assets		(31)	(7)
Acquisition of intangible assets	9	(20)	
Net cash flows from investing activities		(51)	(7)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Interest paid	4	(280)	(264)
Proceeds from issue of ordinary shares, net of issue costs		95	-
Dividends paid	21	(1,997)	(505)
Net cash flows from financing activities		(2,182)	(769)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		1,655	4,397
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 November 2016		20,786	16,389
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 October 2017	14	22,442	20,786

TRADING AS BULLIONVAULT.COM NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2017

1 General information

The company is a private company limited by share capital, incorporated in England and Wales.

The address of its registered office is: 12th Floor Landmark House Blacks Road London W6 9DP United Kingdom

2 Accounting policies

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Statement of compliance

These financial statements were prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006.

Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared using the historical cost convention except that as disclosed in the accounting policies certain items are shown at fair value.

These financial statements are presented in Sterling (£).

Departure from requirements of FRS 102

Stocks are valued at their net realisable value, which is a departure from the requirements of FRS 102. This departure is further explained within the stocks accounting policy.

Turnover recognition

Turnover represents amounts receivable for the sale of bullion and related services as part of a composite supply of services to customers and includes interest earned on client accounts.

Turnover for the sale of bullion is recognised at the point of settlement and ancillary services when provided. Interest is recognised on an accruals basis.

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Foreign currency transactions and balances

Transactions in foreign currencies are initially recorded at the functional currency rate prevailing at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated into the respective functional currency of the entity at the rates prevailing on the reporting period date. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the initial transaction dates.

Exchange differences are recognised in the profit and loss in the period in which they arise.

Tax

The tax expense for the period comprises current tax. Tax is recognised in the profit and loss account, except that a change attributable to an item of income or expense recognised as other comprehensive income is also recognised directly in other comprehensive income.

The current corporation tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date in the countries where the company operates and generates taxable income.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

The cost of tangible assets includes directly attributable incremental costs incurred in their acquisition and installation.

Depreciation

Depreciation is charged so as to write off the cost of assets, other than land and properties under construction over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

Asset class

Short leasehold improvements Fixtures & fittings

Depreciation method and rate

Straight line over the life of the lease Straight line over 3 years

Business combinations

Business combinations are accounted for using the purchase method. The consideration for each acquisition is measured at the aggregate of the fair values at acquisition date of assets given, liabilities incurred or assumed, and equity instruments issued by the group in exchange for control of the acquired, plus any costs directly attributable to the business combination. When a business combination agreement provides for an adjustment to the cost of the combination contingent on future events, the group includes the estimated amount of that adjustment in the cost of the combination at the acquisition date if the adjustment is probable and can be measured reliably.

Intangible assets

Intangible assets are stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses.

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Amortisation

Amortisation is provided on intangible assets so as to write off the cost, less any estimated residual value, over their useful life as follows:

Asset class

Other intangible assets

Amortisation method and rate

Straight line over 20 years

Investments

Investments in equity shares which are publicly traded or where the fair value can be measured reliably are initially measured at fair value, with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss. Investments in equity shares which are not publicly traded and where fair value cannot be measured reliably are measured at cost less impairment, which has been assessed as zero.

Interest income on debt securities, where applicable, is recognised in income using the effective interest method. Dividends on equity securities are recognised in income when receivable.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value and specifically does not include bullion.

Debtors

Other debtors largely consist of unsettled client fees and client trades not yet due for settlement (maximum two days).

Main market bullion settlements and foreign exchange trades are expected to settle within the normal market cycle of two days.

Main market bullion settlements can be either normal market transactions due for settlement within 48 hours or forward trades acting to hedge the inventory which by their nature are outstanding for longer periods. All main market bullion settlements are valued at the LBMA daily price.

Stocks

Stocks consist of gold and silver bullion held by the company, and are valued at the LBMA daily price as determined by the London Bullion Market Association at the balance sheet date. Changes in the valuation of stocks are recorded in the profit and loss account.

Whilst this policy is consistent with that adopted by similar businesses it is not in accordance with the requirements of FRS102, which requires stocks to be valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The directors consider the policy of valuing stocks at net realisable market value to be necessary to show a true and fair view and wholly consistent with the operation of the company's business. It is not possible to quantify the impact of departing from FRS102 as historic information regarding original cost has no application to the business and is therefore not available.

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Creditors

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. No trade creditors are for a period long enough to consider amortisation.

Main market bullion settlements and foreign exchange trades are expected to settle within the normal market cycle of two days.

Main market bullion settlements can be either normal market transactions due for settlement within 48 hours or forward trades acting to hedge the inventory which by their nature are outstanding for longer periods. All main market bullion settlements are valued at the LBMA daily price.

Other loans are loans from individuals denominated in bullion. These amounts are repayable in bullion and the liability is valued at each reporting date at the LBMA daily price.

Borrowings

The other borrowings shown in note 17 are denominated in bullion and are initially recorded at fair value.

They are subsequently measured at fair value, with the movement through the profit and loss account. The interest expense is recognised on an accruals basis for the interest due for the reporting period and is included in interest payable and similar charges.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the group has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date.

Reserves

Called up share capital represents the nominal value of shares that have been issued.

Share premium account includes any premiums received on the issue of share capital. Transaction costs associated with the issuing of shares are deducted from the share premium.

Profit and loss account includes all current and prior period profits and losses.

Dividends

Dividend distribution to the company's shareholders is recognised as a liability in the financial statements in the reporting period in which the dividends are declared.

Defined contribution pension obligation

The company operates a defined contribution plan for its employees. A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the company pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. Once the contributions have been paid the company has no further payments obligations.

The contributions are recognised as an expense in the income statement when they fall due. Amounts not paid are shown in accruals as a liability in the statement of financial position. The assets of the plan are held separately from the company in independently administered funds.

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Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Equity instruments are measured at the fair value of the cash or other resources received or receivable, net of the direct costs of issuing the equity instruments. If payment is deferred and the time value of money is material, the initial measurement is on a present value basis.

Share based payments

The company operates an equity-settled, share-based compensation plan, under which the entity receives services from employees as consideration for equity instruments (options) of the entity. The fair value of the employee services received is measured by reference to the estimated fair value at the grant date of equity instruments granted and is recognised as an expense over the vesting period. The estimated fair value of the option granted is calculated using the Black Scholes option pricing model. The total amount expensed is recognised over the vesting period, which is the period over which all of the specified vesting conditions are to be satisfied.

The proceeds received net of any directly attributable transaction costs are credited to share capital (nominal value) and share premium when the options are exercised.

Client accounts

The company operates separately designated client accounts in each currency in which the company trades. Customers are only able to purchase bullion once the company has received cleared money and this money is paid to and held in the separately designated financial accounts. As these amounts are held within designated client accounts and beneficial entitlement is retained by the customers, these cash balances are not included in the balance sheet of the company.

Operating premises leasing

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged in the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term.

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3	Turnover		
•	The analysis of the company's turnover for the year from continuing of	onerations is as fo	llowe:
	The disayor of the company of thirteen for the year from community (2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
	Bullionvault	230,086	409,545
	Commission and fee income	6,192	7,276
	Interest received	176	304
		236,454	417,125
4	Interest payable and similar expenses		
		2017	2016
		£ 000	£ 000
	Interest expense on other borrowings	280	264
5	Staff costs		
	The aggregate payroll costs (including directors' remuneration) were	as follows:	
		2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
	Wages and salaries	1,587	2,014
	Social security costs	173	181
	Pension costs, defined contribution scheme	91	75
	Share-based payment expenses	60	-
	Training and recruitment	8	20
		1,919	2,291
	The average number of persons employed by the company (inclinal analysed by category was as follows:	uding directors)	during the year
		2017	2016
		No.	No.
	Administration and support	31	31
	Other departments	4	4
		35	35

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6	Directors' remuneration		
	The directors' remuneration for the year was as follows:		
		2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
	Remuneration	320	124
	Cost of defined contribution scheme	30	5
	Share-based payment expenses	43	-
		392	129
		JJZ LANGE	12.0
	During the year the number of directors who were receiving benef follows:	its and share incent	ives was as
		2017	2016
		No.	No.
	Received or were entitled to receive shares under long term		4
	incentive schemes Accruing benefits under defined contribution scheme	1 2	1
	Accruing benefits under defined contribution scheme		
	In respect of the highest paid director:		
			2017
	Remuneration		£ 000 233
	Benefits under long-term incentive schemes (excluding shares)		43
	Company contributions to money purchase pension schemes		29
	on party some and the second s	_	
	During the year the highest paid director received or was entitled to incentive scheme.	receive shares unde	r a long term
7	Auditors' remuneration		
		2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
	Audit of the financial statements	41	50
	Other fees to auditors		
	Taxation compliance services	3	3
	All other assurance services	4	11_
		7	14

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8	Taxation		
	Tax charged/(credited) in the profit and loss account:		
		2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
	Current taxation		
	UK corporation tax	575	1,131
	UK corporation tax adjustment to prior periods	(15)	
		560	1,131
	The tax on profit before tax for the year is the same as the standard (2016 - the same as the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK) of		
	The differences are reconciled below:		
		2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
	Profit before tax	2,936	5,637
	Corporation tax at standard rate Effect of expense not deductible in determining taxable profit (tax	570	1,127
	loss) Tax (decrease)/increase from effect of capital allowances and	12	-
	depreciation Tax (decrease)/increase from other short-term timing differences	(7) (15)	1
	Total tax charge	560	1,131
9	Intangible assets		
		Other intangible assets £ 000	Total £ 000
	Cost or valuation Additions acquired separately	20	20
	At 31 October 2017	20	20
	Amortisation charge	1	1
	At 31 October 2017	1	1
	Carrying amount		
	At 31 October 2017	19	19
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10 Tangible assets

	Short leasehold improvements £ 000	Furniture, fittings and equipment £ 000	Total £ 000
Cost or valuation			
At 1 November 2016	72	218	291
Additions	-	31	31
At 31 October 2017	72	249	322
Depreciation			
At 1 November 2016	72	197	269
Charge for the year	-	18	18
At 31 October 2017	72	215	287
Carrying amount			
At 31 October 2017	-	35	35
At 31 October 2016	-	22	22

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11 Investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associate	les	
Investments in subsidiaries	2017 £ 000 2,000	2016 £ 000 2,000
Subsidiaries		£ 000
Cost or valuation At 1 November 2016 and 31 October 2017		2,000
Carrying amount		
At 31 October 2017		2,000
At 31 October 2016		2,000

Details of undertakings

Details of the investments in which the company holds 20% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital are as follows:

Undertaking	Country of incorporation	Holding	Proportion or rights and si 2017	
Subsidiary undertakings BullionVault Limited	England	Ordinary	100%	100%
BullionVault Clients Limited	England	Ordinary	100%	100%
WhiskyInvestDirect Ltd	England	Ordinary	87.5%	87.5%
James Eadie Limited	England	Ordinary	87.5%	87.5%

The principal activity of BullionVault Limited is the trading of high integrity platinum. The principal activity of BullionVault Clients Limited is holding of client assets. The principal activity of WhiskyInvestDirect Ltd is whisky peer to peer trading platform. The principal activity of James Eadie Limited is specialist whisky developer.

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12 Stocks		
	2017	2016
	£ 000	£ 000
Gold bullion	11,736	13,917
Silver bullion	6,749	7,283
	18,485	21,199
13 Debtors		
	2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
Trade debtors	5	
Main market bullion settlements*	7,790	9,598
Foreign exchange trades*	441	279
Amounts owed by group undertakings	826	788
Other debtors	403	899
Prepayments	107_	106
Total current debtors	9,572	11,670
* Generally, these amounts are settled within 48 hours.		
14 Cash and cash equivalents		
•	2017	2016
	£ 000	£ 000
Cash at bank	22,442	20,786

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15 Creditors

	Note	2017 £ 000	2016 £ 000
Due within one year			
Loans and borrowings	17	6,680	7,219
Trade creditors		36	29
Main market bullion settlements*		7,884	9,665
Foreign exchange trades*		463	414
Amounts owed to group undertakings		92	50
Social security and other taxes		110	63
Other creditors		66	577
Accrued expenses		762	1,217
Corporation tax	8	314	594
		16,408	19,829
Due after one year			
Loans and borrowings	17	2,807	3,046

^{*} Generally, these amounts are settled within 48 hours.

16 Pension and other schemes

Defined contribution pension scheme

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost charge for the year represents contributions payable by the company to the scheme and amounted to £92,000 (2016 - £76,000).

Contributions totalling £Nil (2016 - £Nil) were payable to the scheme at the end of the year and are included in creditors.

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17 Loans and borrowings

	2017	2016
	£ 000	£ 000
Current loans and borrowings		
Other borrowings	6,680	7,219

Other loans include £6,667,000 (2016 - £7,204,000) in respect of loans denominated in gold and £13,000 (2016 - £15,000) of loans denominated in silver. These loans are repayable in gold and silver bullion respectively and the liability has been valued at the relevant closing pm fix as determined by the London Bullion Market Association. Interest on the gold and silver debts is payable at 1.25%. Redemption of these loans can be made at any time by way of one months notice given by either the company or the lender. These loans of bullion are from individuals to the company and there is no impact on the segregation of the bullion owned by BullionVault customers.

	£ 000	£ 000
Non-current loans and borrowings	2 000	2.000
Other borrowings	2,807	3,046

2047

2040

The loans due in more than one year relate to loans denominated in gold bullion of £2,616,000 (2016 - £2,826,000) and silver bullion of £192,000 (2016 - £220,000). The changes from year to year reflect changes in value and the amount of gold and silver remained constant.

The gold and silver loans have no final maturity date and can only be repaid with the agreement of both parties. It is the intention that these are long term loans to the company. As with the gold and silver loans due in less than one year, the loans are repayable in gold and silver respectively and the liability has been valued at the relevant closing pm fix as determined by the London Bullion Market Association. Interest on these loans is payable at 7% per annum and is computed on the value of the gold and silver loans respectively based on the value of gold or silver at 31 March each year.

18 Share capital

Allotted, called up and fully paid shares

20	2016
0 £ 0	£ 000
136	361
361	361

New shares allotted

During the year 2,590 Ordinary shares having an aggregate nominal value of £2,590 were allotted for an aggregate consideration of £96,014.

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19 Obligations under leases and hire purchase contracts

Operating leases

The total of future minimum lease payments is as follows:

£ 000
100
100

The amount of non-cancellable operating lease payments recognised as an expense during the year was £156,000 (2016 - £152,000).

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20 Share based payment

During the year ended 31 October 2006, the company established a government approved share options scheme known as Company Share Options Plans (CSOP).

The option scheme, where options remained during the year, is described below:

Type of arrangement

Company Share Option Plan

Date of grant

7 December 2007

Number granted

3.890

Contractual life

10 years

The estimated fair value at the date of grant of each share option granted, based on a Directors valuation taking into account the factors at the date of grant as required by FRS 20 Share Based Payment which was in place at the date of grant, was £nil. The adoption of FRS102 has not required this assessment to be revisited.

	2017	2017	2016	2016
	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price £	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price £
Outstanding at start of year	2,217	30.00	2,217	30.00
Granted	-	2	-	-
Exercised	2,217	30.00	-	. 75
Outstanding at end of year	-		2,217	30.00
Exercisable at end of year	-		2,217	30.00

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During the year ended 31 October 2013, the company established a government approved Enterprise Management Incentive (EMI) share option scheme.

The option scheme is described below:

Type of arrangement E

EMI

Date of grant

1 May 2013

Number granted

9,316

Contractual life

10 years

The directors considered the fair value at the date of grant of each share option granted as required by FRS 20 Share Based Payment, which was in place at the date of grant. Taking into account the uncertainty of the various inputs to option pricing models for this and similar companies, the directors considered that the fair value of the share options granted would not lead to a material profit and loss charge being required and accordingly no share based payment charge was made. The adoption of FRS102 has not required this assessment to be re-visited.

	2017	2017	2016	2016
	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price £	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price £
Outstanding at start of year	8,430	163.80	9,316	174.93
Granted		-	-	
Forfeited			(886)	280.78
Exercised	-	8	-	-
Modified	(6,335)	156.36		
Outstanding at end of year	2,095	186.30	8,430	163.80
Exercisable at end of year	2,095	186.30	7,863	164.34

During the year a modification to the scheme occurred with options over 6,335 shares exercisable at £156.36 transferred to the company's new share option schemes.

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During the year ended 31 October 2017, the company granted new share options with scheme details set out below.

The fair value of these equity settled options is estimated at the date of grant using the Black - Scholes option pricing model, taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the options were granted. The services received are recognised over the expected vesting period.

The expense recognised for equity settled share based payments in respect of employee services received during the year to 31 October 2017 is £60,154 (2016 - £nil).

	2017	2017
	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price £
Outstanding at start of year		
Granted	12,680	90.45
Forfeited	(1,305)	90.11
Exercised	(373)	79.10
Outstanding at end of year	11,002	90.87
Exercisable at end of year	7,363	83.00

The share options were granted on 22 February 2017 and have varying exercise prices and vesting periods with a contractual life of 10 years.

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21 Dividends

- Dividence		
	2017	2016
	£ 000	£ 000
	*	
Interim dividend of £5.50 (2016 - £1.40) per ordinary share	1,997	505

22 Contingent liabilities

The company has provided a guarantee in respect of a bullion loan that its subsidiary, Bullionvault Limited, has with its bank. At the balance sheet date the amount guaranteed was £1,711,562 (2016 - £nif).

23 Related party transactions

Summary of transactions with key management

The only key management personnel are the directors. The aggregate compensation paid to them is the amount shown in note 6, Directors' Remuneration.

During the year the company paid dividends totalling £810,612 (2016 - £210,118) to one of the directors.

Included within other borrowings are loans of gold and silver to the company to support its trading activities from P G Tustain and his spouse. Interest is paid at 7% pa based on the valuation of the gold or silver at 31 March each year and interest of £156,000 (2016 - £144,000) has been charged to the profit and loss account. These loans have no final maturity date and can only be redeemed with the agreement of the company. At the balance sheet date the company owed P G Tustain and his spouse £2,205,000 (2016 - £2,397,000).

Included within other borrowings are loans of gold to the company to support its trading activities from the personal pension scheme of P G Tustain. Interest is paid at 7% pa based on the valuation of the gold or silver at 31 March each year and interest of £22,000 (2016 - £21,000) has been charged to the profit and loss account. These loans have no final maturity date and can only be redeemed with the agreement of the company. At the balance sheet date the amount due to the pension scheme was £319,000 (2016 - £345,000).

Summary of transactions with subsidiaries

The company maintains interest free intercompany accounts with its subsidiaries which are repayable on demand and are primarily used for costs related to IT, operational and financial support provided by the company. At the balance sheet date the company was due £541,000 (2016 - £703,000) from its subsidiaries which are not wholly owned.



Augmentum Capital

A technology investment fund whose main client is Rothschild Investment Trust – the stock-market listed, \$2.4bn trust controlled by Jacob, Lord Rothschild – Augmentum joined the World Gold Council in buying a minority shareholding in Galmarley Ltd in June 2010:



The London Bullion Market Association

On 1st September 2008 we were elected into the London Bullion Market Association which represents the largest of the world's physical bullion markets.



Queen's Award for Enterprise

In April 2013, BullionVault received a Queen's Award for International Trade, the UK's most prestigious business award, adding to its 2009 award for Enterprise Innovation. Selected by government, commercial and business advisors, the Awards are conferred by the Queen in consultation with the British prime minister's office, and awarded for outstanding achievement in business.



Deloitte - Fast 50 Tech

Global auditing and consultancy specialist Deloitte counted London-based BullionVault as the UK's 14th fastestgrowing tech business in 2012. BullionVault's 5-year turnover growth of 1261% put it amongst the top 100 tech companies in Europe, the Middle East & Africa.



MoneyWeek - Best Gold Broker

MoneyWeek is the UK's best-selling financial magazine. In November 2014, readers voted BullionVault the best gold broker in the first ever MoneyWeek Awards.





Founder & CEO Paul Tustain receives BullionVault's second Queen's Award for Enterprise, presented by Sandy Cahill, Representative Deputy Lieutenant for the London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham.