



UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED
INTERIM FINANCIAL RESULTS
FOR THE SIX-MONTH PERIOD ENDED
30 SEPTEMBER 2021



ACCELERATE PROPERTY FUND LTD
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INTRODUCTION

The interim reporting period for the six months to 30 September 2021 experienced increased economic activity attributable to the easing of the hard and adjusted lockdown restrictions across South Africa. Despite a third wave of COVID-19 infections and a period of adjusted level 4 restrictions, signs of recovery are starting to emerge.

Retail property experienced increased footfall and trading densities over the period, showing increased South Africa consumer sentiment, which is aligning with global economic recovery. Increased trading densities were highlighted by MSCI in apparel, grocery and home décor stores. During the months of adjusted level 4 restrictions, restaurants had limited trading capacity in terms of patrons and liquor sales; however, as the restrictions eased, trading increased.

Consumer sentiment continues to become more positive as the nation's vaccine programme is rolled out across all age groups. The increased consumer sentiment is positive news for the Fund, as shoppers should return to centres, for an increased retail experience, on a more frequent basis.

During July 2021, various shopping centres, retail stores and industrial properties were damaged and looted across KwaZulu-Natal and Gauteng. Accelerate is fortunate that none of the Fund's properties were damaged during this unrest; however, the riots will have an impact on investor confidence for South Africa.

South Africa and its real estate sector are set to continue experiencing other headwinds, including failing municipalities, Eskom's load shedding programme, above-inflation municipal costs and increasing unemployment. The drain on the fiscus by state-owned entities, which has been present for numerous years, is expected to continue.

While property fundamentals will remain subdued into the near future, Accelerate remains actively committed to meeting the changing needs of the market as the property landscape continues to evolve.

IMMEDIATE FOCUS

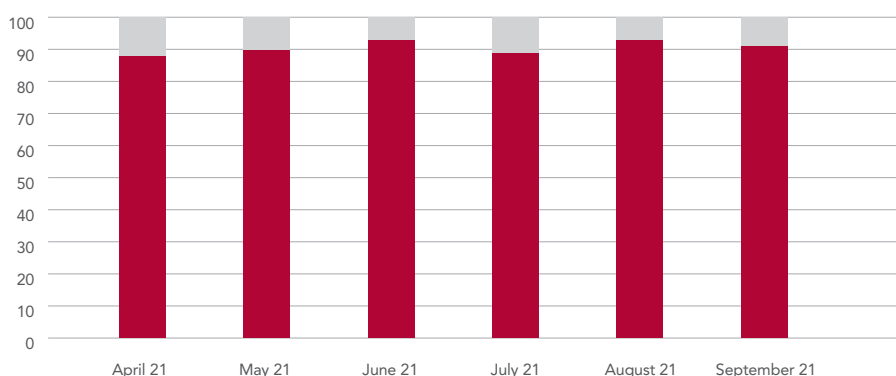
The interim period ended 30 September 2021 has been one of further consolidation for the Fund. The Fund's approach to COVID-19 has been clear, structured and well executed. We remain focused on the long-term sustainability of the Fund and its tenants.

To this end, the Fund has focused on:

- Refinancing debt expiries
- Improving liquidity
- Ensuring the long-term sustainability of tenants through granting sufficient rental assistance during COVID-19
- Extending current and entering into new longer-term leases when granting COVID-19 assistance
- Rebalancing the tenant mix
- Right sizing tenant boxes
- Exploring alternative uses for space
- Managing costs

Rental recoveries, as a percentage of normalised invoiced income, have increased steadily with a 91.4% recovery for September 2021. Non-recovered income predominantly relates to tenants who had limited trading capabilities under lockdown level 3, such as entertainment offerings (Bounce, gyms, restaurants, etc); tenants in business rescue (Ster Kinekor, Virgin Mobile) as well as smaller tenants who are still recovering from the effects COVID-19 had on their business.

Rental recoveries as a % of normalised invoiced income



The Fund remains focused on curbing all expenses within our control in order to optimise cash flow available to improve liquidity, repay debt and assist tenants; however, the ongoing above-inflation increases in assessment rates and municipal charges as well as the increased cost of debt continue to be of concern.

The total cost to income (excluding once-off COVID-19 costs) has remained stable at approximately 24%.

UPDATE ON KEY INDICATORS

Indicator	30 September 2021	30 September 2020
Revenue (excluding COVID-19 effects) (R'000)	513 210	511 648
COVID-19 rental assistance granted (R'000)	(11 233)	(100 086)
Basic loss per share	(3,79)	(6,76)
Diluted loss per share	(3,74)	(6,63)
Weighted average lease expiry (years)	5,9	5,4
Lease escalations (excluding offshore)*	6,5%	7,4%
Vacancies**	17,3%	11,5%
Net asset value per share	6,20	6,31
Distributable income (R'000)***	135 377	11 574

* 6,2% including offshore.

** Due to the large box low rental per m² nature of vacancies, the vacancy figure measured by revenue is 9,5%.

*** No interim distribution was recommended by the Accelerate board.

LEASING

The Fund's weighted average lease expiry (WALE) remains strong at 5,9 years (4,9 years excluding the offshore portfolio) off the back of:

- Lease extensions negotiated with COVID-19 relief granted
- Long-term leases secured with the opening of Fourways Mall
- Long-term blue-chip office leases
- The offshore portfolio with a WALE of 11,5 years

The strong lease expiry profile has, however, come at a cost with COVID-19 rental assistance granted to tenants as well as rental reversions on renewal of leases.

Contractual escalations have come under pressure, with overall contractual escalation of 6,5% (6,2% including offshore).

VACANCIES

Vacancies are still a major concern, having risen due to COVID-19 to 17,3% by gross lettable area (GLA) (15,2% when taking into account the headlease at Fourways Mall).

The vacancies in the office space have significantly reduced due to letting concluded in the Cape Town Foreshore area. Noteworthy new leases concluded in the retail space include a long-term lease with Clicks at Eden Meander and a substantial reduction of vacant space at Bela-Bela. However, these positive developments were not sufficient enough to reverse the overall trend.

The bulk of the Fund's vacancies comprises B and C-grade office space as well as low-rental industrial space, resulting in a vacancy by revenue of 9,5%.

RELATED PARTY MATTERS

- Fourways Mall rebuilt claim:

As communicated to shareholders via SENS, Accelerate agreed with the developer of Fourways Mall, Azrapart (Pty) Ltd, that the final purchase price for the equalisation of the redeveloped Fourways Mall shopping centre be increased by R300 million in respect of what is known as the rebuilt portion matter. The matter relates to additional costs incurred by the developer to ensure the mall is well positioned for future developments. Shareholders are advised that the dispute has now been settled and payment will be made in due course.

The rebuilt claim will be settled through the allocation of Accelerate shares. Where appropriate and the necessary shareholder approvals will be sought. The settlement of this claim will not result in any cash outflow from Accelerate.

The R300 million payable has been recognised as a liability at 30 September 2021, as this payable has been capitalised to the Fourways Mall assets. It has also resulted in a R300 million downward fair value adjustment on Fourways Mall post this capitalisation.

- Related party receivables (note 4):

A portion of related party receivables, including receivables arising from income guarantees in place at Fourways Mall, are to be utilised by Accelerate to acquire assets at Fourways Mall not yet owned on a 50/50 basis with the developer of Fourways Mall. These acquisitions are to ensure that all assets including bulk and parking at Fourways Mall are owned on a 50/50 basis and that future developments at Fourways Mall are done jointly as co-developers.

Shareholder approval will be sought where applicable.

As some of Accelerate's receivables are being realised through the acquisition of assets and not in cash, Accelerate is considering several options in order to recommence the payment of distributions to shareholders including the use of a dividend reinvestment plan and the antecedent divestment of distributions.

TREASURY OVERVIEW

	30 September 2021 Rm	%	31 March 2021 Rm	%
Debt funding				
Relationship funding (including banks and capital markets)	5 437	92,0	5 395	89,6
Other debt capital markets	498	8,0	630	10,4
Total	5 935	100,0	6 025	100,0
Weighted average debt term (years)	1,6		1,8	
Short-term portion of debt	1 629	27,0	1 775	29,5
Debt hedged		86,3		81,4
Weighted average swap term (years)	2,2		2,2	
Blended interest rate		7,4		7,4
Interest cover ratio (x)	2,0		2,0	
Loan to value		47,8		48,5

Accelerate's main funders have agreed in principle to roll all of their debt expiring up to 30 September 2022 for a minimum of 18 months. These extensions will decrease the short-term portion of debt from R1,6 billion to R367,5 million.

The sale of the offshore portfolio will decrease the loan to value to approximately 42%, improve liquidity reserves and add future growth capacity but will have a minimal impact on the interest coverage ratio due to the termination of the cross-currency swap.

Replacing swaps expiring to 31 March 2022 with new swaps at current market rates will result in annual cost savings of approximately R35 million.

TREASURY INITIATIVES

(i) Diversification of funding

Accelerate continues with its drive to diversify funding in an effort to create a more balanced pool of suitable funders which will:

- Manage funders' prudential exposure limits
- Encourage competitive debt pricing
- Build up adequate liquidity buffers
- Create enhanced funding flexibility

(ii) Managing overall cost of funding

Accelerate believes there is an opportunity to engage with funders to reduce the current cost of funding which was brought on by shorter-term lending due to COVID-19.

(iii) Improving the debt expiry profile

Accelerate will engage with its funders to meaningfully extend its debt expiry profile, which was brought on by market uncertainty due to COVID-19. Concentration risk will also be addressed and managed.

Consolidated statement of financial position

as at 30 September 2021

	Note(s)	For the period ended 30 September 2021 R'000	For the year ended 31 March 2021 R'000
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		214	206
Right-of-use assets		119 553	120 676
Investment property held at fair value	2	10 199 681	11 633 782
Investment Property		9 906 389	11 395 602
Straight line rental revenue adjustment		293 292	238 180
Derivatives		12 997	36 341
		10 332 445	11 791 005
Current assets			
Trade and other receivables		697 366	597 462
Cash and cash equivalents		21 880	25 462
Derivatives		–	21 332
		719 246	644 256
Non-current assets held for sale	2	1 563 985	127 714
Total assets		12 615 676	12 562 975
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Equity			
Equity attributable to equity holders of parent			
Ordinary share capital		4 939 713	4 937 567
Other reserves		93 967	131 493
Retained income		887 140	923 301
		5 920 820	5 992 361
Non-controlling interest		19 551	27 150
		5 940 371	6 019 511
Liabilities			
Non-current liabilities			
Derivatives		36 881	83 725
Lease liabilities		116 230	116 854
Borrowings		4 295 938	4 249 916
		4 449 049	4 450 495
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	3	527 951	221 804
Derivatives		53 969	89 653
Lease liabilities		5 942	5 943
Borrowings		1 638 394	1 775 569
		2 226 256	2 092 969
Total liabilities		6 675 305	6 543 464
Total equity and liabilities		12 615 676	12 562 975

* Please refer to note 1.

Consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

for the period ended 30 September 2021

	Note(s)	For the period ended 30 September 2021 R'000	For the period ended 31 September 2020 Restated* R'000
Revenue, excl straight-line rental revenue adjustment and COVID-19 rental relief	5	513 210	511 648
Straight-line rental revenue adjustment		55 112	4 350
COVID-19 rental relief		(11 233)	(100 086)
Revenue		557 089	415 912
Other income		557	2 330
Unrealised foreign exchange gains	7	47 819	302
Expected credit loss		(14 526)	(44 541)
Property expenses		(168 396)	(159 148)
Operating expenses		(21 980)	(24 941)
Operating profit		400 563	189 914
Finance income calculated using the effective interest method		20 659	24 415
Finance costs		(193 715)	(205 323)
Fair value adjustments	6	(262 985)	(72 786)
Loss before taxation		(35 478)	(63 780)
Taxation		–	–
Loss for the period		(35 478)	(63 780)
Other comprehensive income:			
Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:			
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations		(38 962)	5 461
Total comprehensive loss		(74 440)	(58 319)
(Loss)/profit attributable to:			
Shareholders of the parent		(36 161)	(64 461)
Non-controlling interest		683	681
		(35 478)	(63 780)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income attributable to:			
Shareholders of the parent		(66 841)	(59 231)
Non-controlling interest		(7 599)	912
		(74 440)	(58 319)
Earnings per share			
Per share information			
Basic earnings per share (including bulk ceded shares) (cents)		(3,79)	(6,76)
Diluted earnings per share (including bulk ceded shares) (cents)		(3,74)	(6,63)

* Please refer to note 1.

Consolidated statement of changes in equity

for the period ended 30 September 2021

	Share capital R'000	Foreign currency translation reserve R'000	Share incentive reserve R'000	Total reserves R'000	Retained income R'000	Total attributable to equity holders of the group/ company R'000	Non- controlling interest R'000	Total equity R'000
Balance at 1 April 2020	5 125 105	141 840	24 106	165 946	1 480 166	6 771 217	23 075	6 794 292
Prior period adjustment (note 1)	(189 138)	–	–	–	148 838	(40 300)	–	(40 300)
Balance at 1 April 2020 (restated)	4 935 967	141 840	24 106	165 946	1 629 004	6 730 917	23 075	6 753 992
Loss for the period	–	–	–	–	(64 461)	(64 461)	681	(63 780)
Other comprehensive income	–	5 230	–	5 230	–	5 230	231	5 461
Total comprehensive loss for the year	–	5 230	–	5 230	(64 461)	(59 231)	912	(58 319)
Issue of shares in terms of the share incentive scheme	1 600	–	(1 600)	(1 600)	–	–	–	–
Conditional share plan reserve	–	–	548	548	–	548	–	548
Total contributions by and distributions to owners of company recognised directly in equity	1 600	–	(1 052)	(1 052)	–	548	–	548
Balance at 30 September 2020	4 937 567	147 070	23 054	170 124	1 564 543	6 672 234	23 987	6 696 221
Balance at 1 April 2021	4 937 567	107 565	23 928	131 493	923 301	5 992 361	27 150	6 019 511
Loss for the period	–	–	–	–	(36 161)	(36 161)	683	(35 478)
Other comprehensive income	–	(30 680)	–	(30 680)	–	(30 680)	(8 282)	(38 962)
Total comprehensive loss for the year	–	(30 680)	–	(30 680)	(36 161)	(66 841)	(7 599)	(74 440)
Issue of shares in terms of the share incentive scheme	2 146	–	(2 146)	(2 146)	–	–	–	–
Conditional share plan reserve	–	–	(4 700)	(4 700)	–	(4 700)	–	(4 700)
Total contributions by and distributions to owners of company recognised directly in equity	2 146	–	(6 846)	(6 846)	–	(4 700)	–	(4 700)
Balance at 30 September 2021	4 939 713	76 885	17 082	93 967	887 140	5 920 820	19 551	5 940 371

Consolidated statement of cash flows

for the six-month period ended 30 September 2021

	Note(s)	For the period ended 30 September 2021 R'000	For the period ended 30 September 2020 Restated* R'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	8	195 282	84 690
Finance income received		6 090	10 685
Net cash from operating activities		201 372	95 375
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(110)	–
Purchase of investment property/capital spend		(17 086)	(21 227)
Proceeds from disposal of investment property and assets held for sale		106 200	–
Net cash from investing activities		89 004	(21 227)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Borrowings raised		1 372 649	994 750
Borrowings repaid		(1 463 802)	(860 810)
Capital payment on lease liabilities		(2 923)	(3 420)
Finance cost paid		(199 170)	(170 433)
Net cash from financing activities		(293 246)	(39 913)
Total cash movement for the period		(2 870)	34 235
Cash at the beginning of the period		25 462	33 538
Effect of exchange rate movement on cash balances		(712)	1 838
Total cash at end of the year		21 880	69 611

* Please refer to note 1.

Segmental analysis

For investment property, discrete financial information is provided on a property-by-property basis to members of executive management, which collectively comprise the Chief Operating Decision-Maker. The individual properties are aggregated into segments with similar economic characteristics such as nature of the property and the occupier market it serves.

Management considers that this is best achieved by aggregating properties into office, industrial, retail and European retail. Consequently, the group is considered to have four reportable operating segments, as follows:

- Office segment: acquires, develops and leases offices
- Industrial segment: acquires, develops and leases warehouses and factories
- Retail segment: acquires, develops and leases shopping malls, community centres as well as retail centres
- European single-tenant segment: acquires, develops and leases single-tenant space backed by long-term leases

Group administrative costs, profit/loss on disposal of investment property, finance revenue, finance costs, income taxes and segment liabilities are not reported to the members of executive management on a segmented basis. There are no sales between segments.

- Finance cost is not disclosed on a segmental basis as Accelerate funding is secured on portfolio basis and not per segment.

For the period ended 30 September 2020 (six months)

R'000	Office	Industrial	Retail	European – single tenant	Total
Statement of comprehensive income					
Revenue, excluding straight-line rental revenue adjustment	111 588	24 275	312 953	62 832	511 648
COVID-19 rental assistance	(6 266)	(4 827)	(88 993)	–	(100 086)
Straight-line rental adjustment	4 958	(670)	62	–	4 350
Property expenses	(27 347)	(13 280)	(100 673)	(17 848)	(159 148)
Segment operating profit	82 933	5 498	123 349	44 984	256 764
Fair value adjustments on investment property	–	–	–	(3 068)	(3 068)
Segment profit	82 933	5 498	123 349	41 916	253 696
Other operating expenses					(24 941)
Expected credit loss provision					(11 136)
Expected credit loss provision related to COVID-19					(33 405)
Other income					2 330
Fair value loss on financial instruments					(69 718)
Unrealised gains					302
Finance income					24 415
Long term debt interest					(205 323)
Loss before tax					(63 780)

For the period ended 30 September 2021 (six months)

R'000	Office	Industrial	Retail	European – single tenant	Total
Statement of comprehensive income					
Revenue, excluding straight-line rental revenue adjustment	125 589	17 726	304 258	65 637	513 210
COVID-19 rental assistance	–	–	(11 233)	–	(11 233)
Straight-line rental adjustment	9 098	(1 852)	47 866	–	55 112
Property expenses	(32 768)	(6 812)	(111 529)	(17 287)	(168 396)
Segment operating profit	101 919	9 062	229 362	48 350	388 693
Fair value adjustments on investment property	–	(837)	(300 000)	–	(300 837)
Segment profit	101 919	8 225	(70 638)	48 350	87 856
Other operating expenses					(21 980)
Expected credit loss					(14 526)
Other income					557
Fair value gain on financial instruments					37 852
Unrealised gains					47 819
Finance income					20 659
Long term debt interest					(193 715)
Profit before tax					(35 478)

Segmental analysis continued

For the year ended 31 March 2021

R'000	Office	Industrial	Retail	European – single tenant	Total
Statement of financial position extracts at 31 March 2021					
Assets					
Investment property balance 1 April 2020	2 834 790	513 654	7 646 168	1 832 564	12 827 176
Capitalised costs	31 938	2 708	35 934	6 235	76 815
Disposals/classified as held for sale	(16 800)	(258 772)	(44 414)	–	(319 986)
Investment property held for sale	16 800	92 000	18 914	–	127 714
Straight-line rental revenue adjustment	(16 805)	(124)	(61 496)	–	(78 425)
Foreign exchange (losses)	–	–	–	(211 571)	(211 571)
Fair value adjustments	(79 952)	(95 999)	(412 032)	(72 244)	(660 227)
Segment assets at 31 March 2021	2 769 971	253 467	7 183 074	1 554 984	11 761 496
Other assets not managed on a segmental basis					
Derivative financial instruments					57 673
Right of use asset					120 676
Equipment					206
Current Assets					622 924
Total Assets					12 562 975

For the period ended 30 September 2021

R'000	Office	Industrial	Retail	European – single tenant	Total
Statement of financial position extracts at 30 September 2021					
Assets					
Investment property balance 1 April 2021	2 769 971	253 467	7 183 074	1 554 984	11 761 496
Capitalised costs	6 655	2 635	321 604	–	330 894
Disposals/classified as held for sale	–	(92 000)	–	–	(92 000)
Straight-line rental revenue adjustment	9 098	(1 852)	47 866	–	55 112
Foreign exchange gains	–	–	–	9 001	9 001
Classified as held for sale	–	–	–	(1 563 985)	(1 563 985)
Investment property held for sale	–	–	–	1 563 985	1 563 985
Fair value adjustments	–	(837)	(300 000)	–	(300 837)
Segment assets at 30 September 2021	2 785 724	161 413	7 252 544	1 563 985	11 763 666
Other assets not managed on a segmental basis					
Derivative financial instruments					12 997
Equipment					214
Lease hold asset					119 553
Current Assets					719 246
Total Assets					12 615 676

Earnings per share

	For the period ended 30 September 2021 R'000	For the period ended 30 September 2020 R'000
Reconciliation of basic/diluted earnings to headline earnings		
Total comprehensive income attributable to equity holders of the parent	(36 161)	(64 461)
Fair value adjustment on investment property attributable to equity holders of the parent excluding straight-lining	300 837	2 957
Headline profit attributable to shareholders of the parent	264 676	(61 504)
Basic earnings per share (cents)*	(3,79)	(6,76)
Diluted earnings per share (cents)*	(3,74)	(6,63)
Headline earnings per share (cents)	27,72	(6,45)
Diluted headline earnings per share (cents)	27,40	(6,33)
Shares in issue at the end of the year	957 789 641	954 488 734
Weighted average number of shares in issue	954 940 913	954 117 321
Potential shares under the conditional share plan	11 092 308	17 455 252
Weighted average number of deferred shares	11 092 308	17 445 252
Total diluted weighted average number of shares in issue	966 033 221	971 562 573

* Basic earnings and diluted earnings are based on the same earnings figures but are different as a result of the use of weighted average number of shares issue for the year.

Notes to the financial statements

CORPORATE INFORMATION

The condensed financial statements of Accelerate for the period ended 30 September 2021 were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the directors passed on 22 November 2021. Accelerate is a public company incorporated and domiciled in South Africa and its shares are publicly traded on the JSE Ltd (JSE). The registered office is located at Cedar Square Shopping Centre, corner Cedar Road and Willow Avenue. The principal activities of Accelerate are acquisition, development and leasing of properties. The functional and presentation currency of Accelerate is South African rand. All figures are rounded off to R'000 except where otherwise stated.

BASIS OF PREPARATION

These condensed financial statements for the period ended 30 September 2021 are prepared in accordance with the framework concepts and the measurement and recognition requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), contain the minimum information required by IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting, the SAICA Financial Reporting Guides as issued by the Accounting Practices Committee, the Financial Reporting Pronouncements as issued by Financial Reporting Standards Council, the requirements of the Companies Act, 71 of 2008, as amended, the JSE Listings Requirements and JSE Debt Listings Requirements.

The accounting policies applied in the preparation of these condensed financial statements are in terms of IFRS and are consistent with those applied in the 31 March 2021 annual financial statements, including the new and amended IFRS that became effective during the 30 September 2021 reporting period, none of which had a material impact on Accelerate's financial results.

These condensed financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for investment properties and derivatives which are measured at fair value.

The fair value of investment properties is determined by directors with reference to market-related information while other financial liabilities are valued with reference to market-related information and valuations as appropriate. At a minimum all investment properties are valued by independent external valuers on a three-year rolling cycle.

These condensed financial statements were prepared under the supervision of Mr Dimitri Kyriakides (CAISA in his capacity as Chief Financial Officer.

1. Restatement of financial statements

1.1 Financial guarantee

The financial statements for the period ended 30 September 2020, as reported, have been restated to correct the previous non-consolidation of certain special purpose vehicles (SPVs), not owned or controlled by Accelerate, but for which guarantees were provided by Accelerate to Rand Merchant Bank (RMB). The nature and amounts of the correction are detailed below.

Origin and nature of the guarantee

In order to retain and align key Executive Directors with shareholders, the group encourages the acquisition of shares by Executive Directors who did not have a material shareholding in the group.

Consequently, in December 2016 an executive buy-in structure was approved by shareholders and certain Executive Directors acquired Accelerate shares through SPVs. The SPVs were funded through bank debt from RMB expiring on 7 December 2020. The interest on bank debt accrued in the SPVs was to be serviced by the distributions received from Accelerate, and RMB had cession over these shares. The directors would only have an unconditional right to the shares in the SPVs once the bank debt had been settled.

Accelerate provided guarantees to RMB for the performance of each SPVs obligations. The maximum liability Accelerate may have under the guarantees is 100% (2020: 100%) of the debt outstanding to the extent that amounts owing to RMB are not settled by the sale of the shares RMB has cession over.

Accounting for the guarantee to 30 September 2020

From inception of the structure, Accelerate did not consolidate the SPVs but recognised a liability in its financial statements equivalent to the full value of the obligation Accelerate had under the guarantee to RMB, less the fair value of the shares held by RMB as collateral at reporting date.

The liability recognised net of the value of the shares in the consolidated group annual financial statements of Accelerate for the period ended 30 September 2020 was R179 572 000 (2019: R98 492 000).

As at 30 September 2020 the total loan balance owed to RMB by the SPVs was R229,8 million.

Consequently, for the financial year ended 31 March 2020 and the preceding years the full exposure under the guarantee was recognised.

1. Restatement of financial statements continued

1.1 Financial guarantee continued

Change in accounting from 31 March 2021 onwards

On reassessment of the accounting treatment of the SPVs by Accelerate, we concluded that the exposure to variable returns as a result of the financial guarantees would lead to consolidation of the SPVs. The group therefore took the decision that the SPVs be consolidated, and the financial statements have been retrospectively corrected as a result.

The effect of correction

The restatement of the annual results of the group resulting from the consolidation of the share SPVs resulted in:

- The full nominal value of the liability owing by the SPVs to RMB being recognised as a liability in the financial statements of the group
- The Accelerate shares held by the SPVs being treated as treasury shares for group reporting purposes
- A reversal of unrealised losses recognised in prior years on the financial guarantee provision created

The restatement of the financial statements as result of the correction of consolidation of the SPVs resulted in the following net effect on the annual financial statements of the group:

	Six-month period ended 30 September 2020 R'000			Year ended 31 March 2020 R'000		
	As reported	Adjustment	Consolidated reporting	As reported	Adjustment	Consolidated reporting
Statement of financial position						
Ordinary share capital	(5 126 705)	189 138	(4 937 567)	(5 125 105)	189 138	(4 935 967)
Retained earnings*	(1 396 089)	(168 454)	(1 564 543)	(1 480 166)	(148 838)	(1 629 004)
Current liabilities						
Trade and other payables	(393 538)	179 572	(213 966)	(393 774)	179 571	(214 203)
Borrowings	(605 528)	(229 874)	(835 402)	(1 118 768)	(219 871)	(1 338 639)
Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income						
Unrealised (losses)/gains	(29 317)	29 619	302	(19 422)	81 080	61 658
Finance costs	(195 320)	(10 003)	(205 323)	(350 396)	(24 736)	(375 132)
Earnings per share						
Basic earnings per share (including bulk ceded shares) (cents)	(8,42)	1,66	(6,76)	(90,21)	1,71	(88,50)
Diluted earnings per share (including bulk ceded shares) (cents)	(8,28)	1,65	(6,63)	(88,30)	1,76	(86,54)
Headline earnings per share (cents)	(8,12)	1,67	(6,45)	10,15	6,39	16,54
Diluted headline earnings	(7,98)	1,65	(6,33)	9,94	6,23	16,17

* The retained earnings impact includes distributions paid to the SPVs that were eliminated on consolidation.

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1. **Restatement of financial statements** **continued**

1.2 Restatement of cash flows

The consolidated cash flows for the period ended 30 September 2020 as reported, have been restated to correct the interest received and interest paid, which previously did not include the removal of interest accruals and therefore did not reflect the actual cash received and paid. This also included borrowing cost capitalised to investment property which was incorrectly included in the purchase of investment property. The distribution paid was also restated as a result of the restatement of the financial guarantee, where the shares held by the SPVs are treasury shares and therefore the dividend. The nature and amounts of the correction are detailed below:

	30 September 2020 R'000		
	As previously stated	Effect of adjustment	As restated
Statement of cash flows			
Effect on cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	107 694	(23 004)	84 690
Finance income received	24 415	(13 730)	10 685
Net cash from operating activities	132 109	(36 734)	95 375
Effect on cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of investment property	(31 483)	10 256	(21 227)
Net cash from investing activities	(31 483)	10 256	(21 227)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Finance cost paid	(196 911)	26 478	(170 433)
Net cash from financing activities	(66 391)	26 478	(39 913)

2. **Fair value measurement of investment properties**

Levels of fair value measurement

It is the policy of Accelerate to have every property valued by an external valuer on a three-year rotational basis as required by the JSE Listings Requirements. This means that each property Accelerate holds is externally valued at least every three years. The remaining investment properties held at the end of each reporting period are valued by Accelerate's directors.

Each year the directors appoint an external valuer who is responsible for the external valuations of property for the annual financial statements. Selection criteria include market knowledge, reputation, independence and whether professional standards are maintained. In addition, the directors are responsible for Accelerate's internal property valuations. Internal methods are aligned with those used by external valuers.

At each reporting date, the directors analyse the movements in each property's value. For this analysis, the directors verify the major inputs applied in the latest valuation by agreeing the information in the valuation computation to contracts (eg rent amounts in rental contracts), market reports (eg market rent and cap rates in property market reports) and other relevant documents. Each property is considered a separate asset class based on the unique nature, characteristics and risks of the property. The directors compare each property's change in fair value with relevant external sources (such as the investment property database or other relevant benchmarks) to determine whether the change is reasonable.

Valuation techniques

The fair values of investment properties are determined using either a discounted cash flow (DCF) method or income capitalisation method (cap rate). These two valuation methods are used across the different property portfolios of Accelerate.

2. Fair value measurement of investment properties continued

Valuation adjustments

For the year ended 31 March 2020 Accelerate took a conservative view on the valuation of investment property with the potential effects of COVID-19 at top of mind. This resulted in a downward valuation of R1 billion (7.0%) recorded at 31 March 2020. In order to ensure transparency and to provide the market with additional comfort regarding the valuation of investment property, the Fund had in excess of 90% of its investment property (by value) externally valued for the year ended 31 March 2021. The additional effect of COVID-19 resulted in a further downwards valuation of the portfolio by R660 million (5.0%) for the year ended 31 March 2021.

During the Funds assessment of the fair value of Investment Property for the period ended 30 September 2021 a further downward valuation adjustments of R 300 million was made as a result of the Fourways Mall rebuilt claim being capitalised to Fourways Mall during the period without this spend resulting in an increase in the value of Fourways Mall.

The directors of Accelerate reviewed the fair values of investment properties at 30 September 2021 and were satisfied that post the adjustment discussed above, the value of investment properties held is fairly reflected in the 30 September 2021 results.

DCF method

Under the DCF method, a property's fair value is estimated using explicit assumptions regarding the benefits and costs of ownership over the asset's life including an exit or terminal value. The DCF method involves the projection of a series of cash flows on a real property interest. To this projected cash flow series, an appropriate, market-derived discount rate is applied to establish the present value of the cash inflows associated with the property. The duration of the cash flow and the specific timing of inflows and outflows are determined by events such as rent reviews, lease renewal and related lease up periods, reletting, redevelopment or refurbishment. The appropriate duration is typically driven by market behaviour that is a characteristic of the class of property. In the case of investment properties, periodic cash flow is typically estimated as gross income less vacancy, non-recoverable expenses, collection losses, lease incentives, maintenance cost, agent and commission costs and other operating and management expenses. The series of periodic net cash inflows, along with an estimate of the terminal value anticipated at the end of the projection period, is then discounted at the appropriate rate.

Income capitalisation method

Under the cap rate method, a property's fair value is estimated based on the normalised and market-related net operating income generated by the property, which is divided by the capitalisation rate. The difference between gross and net rental income includes the same expense categories as those for the DCF method with the exception that certain expenses are not measured over time, but included on the basis of a time weighted average, such as the average lease costs.

The external valuations were performed by Mills Fitchet and Coldwell Banker Richard Ellis (Offshore valuations) accredited independent valuers with a recognised and relevant professional qualification and with recent experience in the locations and categories of the investment property being valued. The internal valuations were performed by the directors. The valuation models applied are in accordance with those recommended by the International Valuation Standards Committee and are consistent with the principles in IFRS 13.

Changes in valuation techniques

There were no changes in valuation techniques during the year.

Highest and best use

For all investment property that is measured at fair value, the current use of the property is considered the highest and best use.

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2. Fair value measurement of investment properties **continued**

Valuation techniques and inputs derive level 3 fair values

The table below presents the following for each class of the investment property:

- The fair value measurements at the end of the reporting period
- A description of the valuation techniques applied
- The inputs used in the fair value measurement, including the ranges of rent charged to different units within the same building
- Quantitative information about the significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement

Class of property	Fair value as at 31 March 2021 R'000	Valuation technique	Key unobservable inputs	Weighted average of key observable inputs	Weighted average equivalent yield %
Office	2 769 971	Income capitalisation/ DCF method	ERV	R180,90	8,50
			Rental growth pa	5,1%	
			Long-term vacancy rate	2,3%	
Industrial	253 467	Income capitalisation/ DCF method	ERV	R76,90	9,70
			Rental growth pa	4,8%	
			Long-term vacancy rate	4,0%	
Retail	7 183 074	Income capitalisation/ DCF method	ERV	R308,50	7,50
			Rental growth pa	5,0%	
			Long-term vacancy rate	2,1%	
Europe retail	1 554 984	Income capitalisation/ DCF method	ERV	R138,60	6,46
			Rental growth pa	0%	
			Long-term vacancy rate	0%	
Total	11 761 496				

Class of property	Fair value as at 30 September 2021 R'000	Valuation technique	Key unobservable inputs	Weighted average of key observable inputs	Weighted average equivalent yield %
Office	2 785 724	Income capitalisation/ DCF method	ERV	R185,00	8,7
			Rental growth pa	5,2%	
			Long-term vacancy rate	2,8%	
Industrial	161 413	Income capitalisation/ DCF method	ERV	R71,40	10,1
			Rental growth pa	5,0%	
			Long-term vacancy rate	4,3%	
Retail	7 252 544	Income capitalisation/ DCF method	ERV	R307,70	7,5
			Rental growth pa	5,0%	
			Long-term vacancy rate	2,1%	
Europe retail (held for sale)	1 563 985	Income capitalisation/ DCF method	ERV	R 139,40	6,46
			Rental growth pa	0%	
			Long-term vacancy rate	0%	
Total	11 763 666				

2. Fair value measurement of investment properties continued

Descriptions and definitions

The table on the previous page includes the following descriptions and definitions relating to valuation techniques and key unobservable inputs made in determining the fair values.

Estimated rental value (ERV)

The gross rent per square metre per month at which space could be let in the market conditions prevailing at the date of valuation.

Rental growth

The estimated average increase in rent per annum based on both market estimations and contractual indexations.

Long-term vacancy rate

The ERV of the expected long-term average structural vacant space divided by ERV of the whole property. Long-term vacancy rate can also be determined based on the percentage of estimated vacant space divided by the total lettable area.

Equivalent yield

The equivalent yield is defined as the internal rate of return of the cash flow from the property.

Sensitivity analysis to significant changes in unobservable inputs within level 3 of the hierarchy

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement categorised within level 3 of the fair value hierarchy of the entity's portfolios of investment property are:

- ERV
- Long-term vacancy rate
- Equivalent yield

ERV

An increase or decrease in ERV is directly correlated to an increase or decrease in the estimated fair value. A 5% increase or decrease in the ERV would result in a 5% increase or decrease in the estimated fair value.

Long-term vacancy rate

Increases/decreases in the long-term vacancy rate would result in decreases/increases in the estimated fair value.

Rental growth

The rental growth rate assumption used to value an investment property is a direct input into the discount rate used in a discounted cash flow valuation. Thus, the higher the growth rate, the higher the discount rate.

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2. Fair value measurement of investment properties *continued*

Equivalent yield

	50 bps increase %	50 bps decrease %
South African portfolio		
Equivalent yield – Impact on fair value		
31 March 2021		
Retail	(6,3)	7,1
Office	(5,6)	6,3
Industrial	(4,9)	5,4
	25 bps increase %	25 bps decrease %
European retail		
Equivalent yield – Impact on fair value		
31 March 2021		
European retail	(3,6)	4,2
	50 bps increase %	50 bps decrease %
South African portfolio		
Equivalent yield – Impact on fair value		
30 September 2021		
Retail	(6,3)	7,1
Office	(5,4)	6,1
Industrial	(4,7)	5,2
	25 bps increase %	25 bps decrease %
European retail		
Equivalent yield – Impact on fair value		
30 September 2021		
European retail	(3,7)	4,0

3. Fair value of financial assets and liabilities

	Carried at fair value R'000	Amortised cost [#] R'000	Total R'000
Total financial assets and liabilities			
Financial assets 31 March 2021			
Derivatives*	57 673	–	57 673
Trade and other receivables	–	596 731	596 731
Cash and cash equivalents	–	25 462	25 462
	57 673	622 193	679 866
Financial liabilities 31 March 2021			
Derivatives*	(173 378)	–	(173 378)
Long-term interest-bearing borrowings	–	(4 249 916)	(4 249 916)
Long-term lease liability	–	(116 854)	(116 854)
Trade and other payables	–	(170 169)	(170 169)
Current portion of long-term debt	–	(1 775 569)	(1 775 569)
Current portion of lease liability	–	(5 943)	(5 943)
	(173 378)	(6 318 451)	(6 491 829)
Financial assets 30 September 2021			
Derivatives*	12 997	–	12 997
Trade and other receivables	–	692 915	692 915
Cash and cash equivalents	–	21 880	21 880
	12 997	714 795	727 792
Financial liabilities 30 September 2021			
Derivatives*	(90 850)	–	(90 850)
Long-term interest-bearing borrowings	–	(4 295 938)	(4 295 938)
Long-term lease liability	–	(116 230)	(116 230)
Trade and other payables**	–	(469 840)	(469 840)
Current portion of long-term debt	–	(1 638 394)	(1 638 394)
Current portion of lease liability	–	(5 942)	(5 942)
	(90 850)	(6 526 344)	(6 617 194)

[#] The carrying value of financial assets and liabilities carried at amortised cost is considered to approximate the fair value of those financial assets and liabilities. There have been no significant changes in valuation techniques or transfers between fair value hierarchy levels.

* The values of the derivative financial assets and liabilities shown at fair value are based on inputs other than quoted prices that are observable in the market for the assets and liabilities, either directly (ie as prices) or indirectly (ie derived from prices) – level 2. The fair value is determined as the net discounted cash flows to be received from the swaps in place at 31 March 2021.

** The increase in trade and other payables is due to Accelerate agreeing with the developer of Fourways Mall, Azrapart (Pty) Ltd, that the final purchase price for the equalisation of the redeveloped Fourways Mall shopping centre be increased by a R 300 million in respect of what is known as the rebuilt portion matter. Shareholders are advised that the dispute has now been settled and payment will be made in due course.

Given Accelerate's current liquidity constraints, the rebuilt claim will be settled through the allocation of Accelerate shares to Azrapart or its nominee and, where appropriate, the necessary shareholder approvals will be sought. The settlement of this claim will not result in any cash outflow from APF.

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4. Related party transactions

Mr Michael Georgiou (100% shareholder of Fourways Precinct (Pty) Ltd and Azrapart (Pty) Ltd through The Michael Family Trust and 100% shareholder of Accelerate Property Management Company (Pty) Ltd) and Mr Andrew Costa are directors of both Accelerate Property Fund Ltd and Accelerate Property Management Company (Pty) Ltd.

Cordev Marketing (Pty) Ltd is a related party due to its sole director, Ms Winnie Kyriakides, being the wife of Accelerate's CFO, Mr Dimitri Kyriakides.

	For the six-month period ended 30 September 2021 R'000	For the year ended 31 March 2020 R'000
Related party balances		
Loan accounts		
Fourways Precinct (Pty) Ltd [#]	10 803	10 431
The Michael Family Trust [#]	103 644	98 742
Vacancy Guarantee		
Fourways Precinct (Pty) Ltd [#]	11 748	11 220
Development guarantee		
Fourways Precinct (Pty) Ltd [#]	160 064	152 875
Fourways Mall headlease		
Fourways Precinct (Pty) Ltd [#]	94 597	55 603
Fourways Mall rebuilt matter		
Azrapart (Pty) Ltd	(300 000)	–

	For the six-month period ended 30 September 2021 R'000	For the six-month period ended 30 September 2020 R'000
Related party transactions for the period ended 30 September 2021		
Fourways Mall Rebuilt claim settlement		
Azrapart (Pty) Ltd	(300 000)	–
Interest charged on outstanding amounts		
Fourways Precinct (Pty) Ltd	8 088	7 338
The Michael Family Trust	5 887	4 151
Accelerate Property Management fees paid		
Fourways Precinct (Pty) Ltd	(1 202)	(1 364)
Accelerate Property Management Company (Pty) Ltd (APMC)	(2 988)	(2 934)
Letting commission		
Fourways Precinct (Pty) Ltd	(2 658)	(2 448)
Cordev Marketing (Pty) Ltd	(76)	–
Marketing		
Cordev Marketing (Pty) Ltd	(58)	(806)
Fourways Mall headlease		
Fourways Precinct (Pty) Ltd	38 994	35 877

[#] There is no security in place over related party balances at 30 September 2021; however, security was obtained via a cession over a property held by the owner/trustee of the company and trust above.

4. Related party transactions continued

- Related party balances are to be settled either (i) in cash or (ii) through future transactions with the relevant related parties
- No fixed repayment terms have been put in place and interest on balances are charged at market related interest rates

The following factors are taken into account when assessing the recoverability of related party balances due to the Fund:

- Historical receipts and reduction of the related party balances outstanding
- The nature and timing of current and potential future related party transactions
- The financial ability of the related parties to settle their obligations on the future taking into account security provided

5. Revenue

	2021 R'000	2020 R'000
Rental income	401 212	407 544
Parking	15 886	14 539
Sundry property income	913	227
Revenue before recoveries	418 011	422 310
Revenue from contracts with customers: Recoveries	95 199	89 338
Revenue excluding straight-line rental revenue adjustment	513 210	511 648

6. Fair value adjustments

	2021 R'000	2020 R'000
Investment property (fair value model)	(300 837)	(3 068)
Gains/(losses) on derivatives at fair value through profit and loss	37 852	(69 718)
	(262 985)	(72 786)

7. Unrealised gains

	2021 R'000	2020 R'000
Net foreign exchange gains	47 819	302

8. Cash generated from operations

	2021 R'000	2020 R'000
Loss before tax	(35 478)	(63 780)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation and amortisation	4 253	4 067
IFRS 16 depreciation	2 046	2 353
Debt amortisation fee	5 185	780
Interest income	(20 659)	(24 415)
Finance cost	193 715	205 323
Fair value losses	262 984	72 786
Unrealised gains	(47 819)	(302)
Share incentive expense	4 700	548
Straight-line rental revenue adjustment	(55 112)	(4 350)
Changes in working capital:		
Trade and other receivables	(249 843)	(71 421)
Trade and other payables	131 310	(36 899)
	195 282	84 690

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9. Capital commitments

In terms of Accelerate's budgeting process, R114,3 million (2020: R43 million) was allocated to Accelerate's planned capital expenditure. As such, Accelerate views this amount as authorised and not contracted.

10. Subsequent events

Debt refinances post-year-end

The following debt facilities at 30 September 2021 have been refinanced post-period-end:

Funder	Nominal amount R'000	Margin – linked to 3-month JIBAR
RMB Facility T	176 488	3M JIBAR + 300 bps
APF 04	50 000	3M JIBAR + 230 bps

DISTRIBUTION ANALYSIS

	For the six-month period ended 30 September 2021 R'000	For the six-month period ended 30 September 2020 R'000
DISTRIBUTABLE EARNINGS		
Profit/(Loss) after taxation attributable to equity holders	(36 161)	(64 461)
Add/(less): Straight-line rental revenue adjustment	(55 112)	(4 350)
Add: Fair value adjustments	262 985	72 676
Add: Unrealised (gains)	(47 819)	(302)
Plus: Amortisation	11 484	8 011
Distributable earnings	135 377	11 574
Less: Funds not distributed	(135 377)	(11 574)
Interim distribution	–	–

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

The directors of Accelerate assume full responsibility for the preparation of the unaudited condensed interim financial statements.

On behalf of the board

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Mr Michael Georgiou
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Mr Dimitri Kyriakides
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24 November 2021

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