### **AMT FUTURES LIMITED**

Incorporated in England and Wales Registered Number 696733

Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018

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**Directors** 

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Chairman

C.J.P. Rigby

Managing

P.G. Bromley

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(Resigned 19th September 2018)

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# AMT Futures Limited Directors' Report

The Directors submit their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2018.

The Strategic Report on page 3 provides information on the principal risks of the Company and the development of the Company's business.

### **Principal Activity**

The Company's principal activity is, and will continue to be, trading as a commodities and financial futures and options broker on a matched principal basis.

The Company is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority to provide regulated products and services under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 as amended by the Financial Services Act 2012.

#### Results and dividends

The profit for the year before taxation was £1,552,000 (2017 £423,000). The Directors propose a dividend of £2,056,000 in respect of the year ended 31st December 2018 (2017: £341,000).

#### Pillar 3 Disclosure

Details of the Company's unaudited Pillar 3 disclosures, required under Article 431 of EU Regulation No. 575/2013, can be found on the Company's website, www.amtfutures.co.uk.

#### **Directors and Auditors**

The Directors who held office throughout the period are listed on page 1 and their responsibilities are disclosed on page 4.

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

The independent auditor, BDO LLP, has indicated its willingness to be reappointed.

By Order of the Board

P.G. Bromley – Company Secretary

22nd March 2019

# AMT Futures Limited Strategic Report

The Directors submit their Strategic Report for the year ended 31st December 2018.

This report is a statutory requirement presented in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Directors' Report) Regulations 2013.

### **Operating Review**

The Company is a futures and options broker. Profit before Tax is considered to be the key performance indicator for the Company's role as a broker of commodity and financial futures and options. The profit for the year before taxation was £1,552,000, an increase of £1,129,000 compared with the corresponding 2017 figure (£423,000 profit), which was partly due to release of accrual for costs in respect of legal claims which have now all been resolved. The year's taxation charge was £296,000 (2017: £82,000). The return on total assets was 35% (2017: 10%).

### **Principal Risks and Uncertainties**

The principal risks facing the Company are counterparty risk, market risk, operational risk and liquidity risk. The Company does not grant credit to clients and does not engage in proprietary trading. Clients' equity balances are monitored on a daily basis to ensure that they are operating within predefined parameters and daily reconciliations are performed against the corresponding trading and cash positions held with the Company's global clearing brokers. These positions are monitored daily against individual limits that are set and regularly reassessed for each broker.

Similar monitoring and reconciliation routines are operated against bank balances. The Company operates segregation of client funds and performs daily calculations of both regulatory capital requirements and segregated funds reconciliations.

More details of these risks can be found included in the Company's Pillar 3 disclosures, as refered to in the Directors' report.

The prinicipal risks arising from the Company's financial instruments are set out in note 13 to the financial statements.

The Company is closely monitoring the risks and uncertainties arising from the UK's negotiation of its exit from the EU. The Company believes that the impact of Brexit on the Company, whatever the Brexit outcome, will be insignificant. This is because the Company has limited exposure to EU27 markets or clients.

### **Future Developments**

The Company continues to provide its brokerage services. The growth of European and UK financial services regulations continues to impose new obligations on the Company including the introduction of MiFID II in January 2018.

By Orger of the Board

C.J.P. Rigby - Managing Director

22nd March 2019

### Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, the Directors' 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 (UK Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the Company for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable 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.

## Independent Auditors' Report to the members of AMT Futures Limited

### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of AMT Futures Limited (the 'Company') for the year ended 31st December 2018 which comprise the Income Statement, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Changes in Equity 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 31st December 2018 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.

#### 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.

### Other information

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Report and Financial Statements, 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.

### Independent Auditors' Report to the members of AMT Futures Limited (Continued)

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.

### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Capital Requirements (Country-by-Country Reporting) regulations 2013

In our opinion, the information given in note 14 to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December, 2018 has been properly prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Capital Requirements (Country-by-Country Reporting) regulations 2013.

### Opinions on other matters 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 the Directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the strategic report and the Directors' report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which 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.

### Independent Auditors' Report to the members of AMT Futures Limited (Continued)

### Responsibilities of Directors

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

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

### 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: <a href="www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities">www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities</a>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### 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.

BDO LLP

Peter Smith (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of BDO LLP, Statutory Auditor
London
United Kingdom
22nd March 2019

BDO LLP is a limited liability partnership registered in England and Wales (with registered number OC305127).

# Income Statement for the year ended 31st December 2018

	Note	2018 £'000	2017 £'000
Turnover		12,542	11,275
Cost of turnover		(9,597)	(9,102)
Interest receivable	2	139	98
Gross profit		3,084	2,271
Operating costs	3	(1,532)	(1,848)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		1,552	423
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5	(296)	(82)
Profit and total comprehensive income for the financial year	•	1,256	341

The result for the financial year is wholly attributable to the continuing operations of the Company. There were no recognised gains or losses in the year other than the profit above and therefore no separate statement of other comprehensive income has been prepared.

The notes on pages 11 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

### AMT Futures Limited Registered Number 696733 Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2018

	Note	2018 £'000	2017 £'000
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	7	<u>74</u>	26
Current assets			
Debtors	8	206	98
Cash at bank and in hand	·	4,184	4,118
		4,390	4,216
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(1,408)	(2,101)
Net current assets		2,982	2,115
Net assets		3,056	2,141
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	10	1,000	1,000
Retained profits		2,056	1,141
Total equity		3,056	2,141

The notes on pages 11 to 18 form part of these financial statements,

The Financial Statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 22nd March 2019

C.J.P. Rigby - Managing Director

P.G. Bromley - Finance Director

# Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 31st December 2018

2018	Share Capital £'000	Retained Profit £'000	Total Equity £'000
Opening balance 1st January Dividends declared and paid	1,000	1,141 (341)	2,141 (341)
Profit for the financial year Closing balance 31st December	1,000	1,256 2,056	1,256 3,056
	Share	Retained	Total
2017	Capital £'000	Profit £'000	Equity £'000
Opening balance 1st January Profit for the financial year	1,000	800 341	1,800 341
Closing balance 31st December	1,000	1,141	2,141

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2018

### 1. Accounting policies

### (a) Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102 the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006.

The Company is essentially self financing and does not normally rely on the Group for funding resources and does not expect to do so in the twelve months following the date of signing the financial statements. On the basis of their assessment of the Company's financial position and of the enquiries made of Amalgamated Metal Corporation PLC, the Company's Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company will be able to continue in operational existence for more than twelve months following the date of signing the financial statements. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

The Company has adopted the following disclosure exemptions, with reference to the parent companies in whose consolidated financial statements its financial statements are consolidated, and from where those financial statements may be obtained, which is set out in Note 12:

- The requirement to present a statement of cash flows and related notes
- No disclosure has been given for the aggregate remuneration of the key management personnel

The Company holds money and safe custody assets on behalf of clients in accordance with the Client Assets rules of the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA). These assets are held in client transaction accounts at banks and brokers. The amounts held on behalf of clients at the balance sheet date and which are segregated in accordance with the FCA's rules are stated in note 8 and are not included in the Company's balance sheet.

### (b) Turnover

Turnover represents commissions and other income earned on transactions on a trade date basis.

### (c) Foreign Currency Translation

Foreign currency balances are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Income and expenditure is converted at the average monthly rate of exchange. All exchange differences are dealt with through the Income Statement.

### (d) Tangible Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses.

The historical cost of an asset includes its purchase price and expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of that asset, and bringing it to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

Depreciation on tangible fixed assets is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset on a straight line basis as follows:-

Furniture, fittings and equipment - 25% per annum.

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2018 (continued)

#### (e) Pensions

Certain of the Company's employees are members of the AMC Pension Scheme, the defined benefit scheme operated by Amalgamated Metal Corporation PLC (note 11). It is not possible to identify the Company's share of the underlying assets and liabilities in the scheme on a consistent and reasonable basis because each participating employer is exposed to the actuarial risks attributable to the current and former employees of all other participating companies. Consequently, the Company accounts for its obligations under this scheme as if it were a defined contribution scheme, so that its pension cost is equal to contributions payable for the period.

Contributions to the defined contribtion scheme are charged to the Income Statement in the year in which they are paid.

### (f) Current and Deferred Taxation

The tax expense for the period comprises current tax and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the Income Statement.

Deferred tax is provided in full on timing differences which result in an obligation at the balance sheet date to pay more tax, or a right to pay less tax, at a future date, at rates expected to apply when they crystallise, based on current tax rates and law. Timing differences arise from the inclusion of items of income and expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those in which they are included in the financial statements.

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is regarded as more likely than not that they will be recovered.

Deferred tax balances are not discounted.

#### (g) Financial Instruments

Financial instruments of significance comprise primary financial instruments (mainly cash, trade debtors, segregation surplus, other debtors, trade creditors, amounts due to / from parent undertaking and accruals). These are initially recognised at the transaction amounts, and subsequently they are measured at amortised cost.

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2018 (continued)

2.	Interest receivable	2018 £'000	2017 £'000
	Other	139	98
3.	Operating costs	2018 £'000	2017 £'000
	Operating profit is stated after charging:		
	Audit fees: Audit of the financial statements Other assurance services Staff costs:	28 8	26 7
	Wages and salaries Social security costs Pension costs: defined contribution scheme	1,358 113 25	890 84 20
	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	18	9
	The average weekly number of persons employed by the Company during the financial year	Number 14	Number <u>13</u>
4.	<b>Emoluments of Directors</b>	2018 £'000	2017 £'000
	Payments to Directors:	2.42	205
	Aggregate emoluments	<u> 362</u>	<u>207</u>
		Number	Number
	Number of Directors for whom retirement benefits were accruing (defined benefit pension scheme)	1	1
	Highest noid Director:	2018 £'000	2017 £'000
	Highest paid Director: Aggregate emoluments	304	168
	Accrued pension at 31st December	60	57

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2018 (continued)

5.	Tax on profit on ordinary activities	2018	2017
	•	£'000	£,000
	Current tax: UK Corporation tax charge at 19% (2017: 19.25%)	296	81
	Deferred tax charge (note 6)	<u>-</u>	1
		296	82
	•	4010	2017
		2018	2017
		£'000	£'000
	Profit on ordinary activities before tax	1,552	423
	Profit on ordinary activities at the standard rate of Corporation		
	tax in the UK of 19% (2017: 19.25%)	296	82
	Total tax charged for the period	<b>296</b>	82
6.	Deferred tax asset	2018	2017
		£'000	£,000
	Balance at 1 January	5	6
	Reversal of timing differences	-	1
	Balance at 31 December		5

The deferred tax asset is expected to crystallise during the coming year.

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2018 (continued)

7.	Tangible fixed assets		Total £'000
	Furniture, fittings and equipment		2 000
	Cost:		
	At 1st January 2018		128
	Additions		66
	At 31st December 2018		194
	Depreciation:		
	At 1st January 2018		102
	Charge for the year		18
	At 31st December 2018		120
	Net book amount:		
	At 31st December 2018		74
	At 31st December 2017		<u>26</u>
8.	Debtors	2018	2017
	•	£'000	£,000
	Trade debtors	4	9
	Other debtors	2	8
	Prepayments and accrued income	177	54
	Segregation surplus	18	3
	Amounts due from parent undertaking	-	19
•	Deferred tax asset (note 6)	5	5
	·	<u>206</u>	98

The segregation surplus represents the surplus of segregated balances at banks and brokers over the segregated client balances. Segregated client balances totalled £46,832,591 (2017: £63,780,130) with the balances at banks and brokers totalling £46,850,285 (2017: £63,783,429).

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2018 (continued)

9.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2018 £'000	2017 £'000
	Trade creditors	86	141
	Accruals and deferred income	1,060	1,884
	Amounts due to parent undertaking	9	-
	Corporation tax payable	253	76
		1,408	2,101
10.	Called up share capital	2018	2017
		£'000	£,000
	Allotted and fully paid		
	1,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>1,000</u>	1,000

The Company is limited by shares.

#### 11. Pensions

The Company's staff, except as noted below, participate in a defined benefit scheme operated by its UK Holding Company, Amalgamated Metal Corporation PLC, for certain of its UK subsidiaries and financed through a separate trustee-administered scheme. Contributions to the scheme are based on pension costs across the Group as a whole and are based on professional and independent actuarial advice. No pension costs were paid in the year in respect of the defined benefit scheme (2017: Nil). Full actuarial valuations are carried out triennially. The most recent finalised valuation was as at 1st January 2014, however a preliminary full actuarial valuation has been prepared as at 1st January 2017.

It is not possible to identify the Company's share of the underlying assets and liabilities in the above defined benefit scheme on a consistent and reasonable basis. Further details of the scheme are contained in the financial statements of Amalgamated Metal Corporation PLC (note 24).

The above scheme was closed to new joiners from 1st January 2003 and from that date new employees are offered a defined contribution Group Personal Pension Plan.

### 12. Parent undertaking

The Company is a subsidiary of British Amalgamated Metal Investments Limited which is incorporated in England and Wales.

The Company's ultimate parent undertaking is AMCO Investments Limited ("AMCO"), a company incorporated in England and Wales. AMCO is the parent of the largest group of undertakings for which consolidated financial statements are drawn up and of which the Company is a member. Copies of the consolidated financial statements of AMCO are available from Companies House.

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2018 (continued)

Amalgamated Metal Corporation PLC is the parent of the smallest group of undertakings for which consolidated financial statements are drawn up and of which the Company is a member. Copies of the consolidated financial statements are available at the Company's registered office: 55 Bishopsgate, London, EC2N 3AH.

#### 13. Financial Instruments

### (a) Analysis of financial instruments

The Company's financial instruments may be analysed as follows:

	2018	2017
	£'000	£,000
Cash at bank and in hand	4,184	4,118
Financial assets that are debt instruments	24	39
Financial liabilities	1,155	2,025

Financial assets comprise trade debtors, amounts due from parent undertaking, segregation surplus and other debtors.

Financial liabilities comprise trade creditors, amounts due to parent undertaking and accruals.

### (b) Risk and risk management

The Company is exposed to potential losses in the event that counterparties to financial instruments fail to meet their contractual obligations. Credit control policies, including the use of credit limits for banks and brokers and the margining of clients, are used to mitigate the risk of loss.

The risk that adequate funding is not available for the Company to meet its commitments associated with financial instruments is liquidity risk. The Company monitors cash balances daily to ensure it is able to meet liabilities as they fall due.

The Company does not take positions in derivative financial instruments as all trading is on a matched principal basis and therefore is not exposed to market risk.

### (c) Capital

The Company regards its capital as its share capital and retained profits. The Company's policy is to maintain its capital at a prudent level in order to be able to meet all its financial obligations. In addition, there are externally imposed regulatory capital requirements on the Company, set by the Financial Conduct Authority, which it complied with during the year.

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2018 (continued)

### 14. Country by Country Reporting

The Company is required to comply with the Capital Requirements (Country-by-Country Reporting) Regulation 2013. The information below provides the relevant details:-

	31st December 2018	31st December 2017
Entity Name ·	AMT Futures Limited	AMT Futures Limited
Nature of Activities	Futures Broker	Futures Broker
Geographic Location	UK	UK
Turnover (£'000)	12,542	11,275
Average number of employees	14	13
Profit before tax (£'000)	1,552	423
Public subsidies received (£'000)	-	-
Corporation tax paid (£'000)	(118)	(156)