

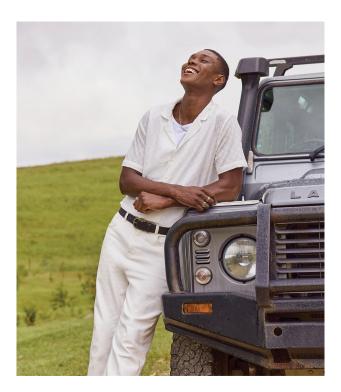


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These consolidated annual financial statements represent the financial information of The Foschini Group Limited and were audited in compliance with Section 30 of the Companies Act of South Africa, No. 71 of 2008 (Companies Act of South Africa). These consolidated annual financial statements were prepared by the TFG finance department under the supervision of Ralph Buddle CA(SA), Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of The Foschini Group Limited.

These consolidated annual financial statements were authorised by the Supervisory Board (Board) and published on 27 June 2025.

<sup>\*</sup> The supplementary information presented does not form part of the consolidated annual financial statements and is unaudited.

# Directors' responsibility for and approval of the consolidated annual financial statements

#### For the year ended 31 March 2025

The directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated annual financial statements of The Foschini Group Limited, comprising the consolidated statement of financial position at 31 March 2025, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity, consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, the consolidated segmental analysis and the notes to the consolidated annual financial statements which includes a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes, in accordance with IFRS® Accounting Standards which have been issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB®), IFRIC Interpretations (IFRS Interpretations Committee), the Companies Act of South Africa, JSE Limited Listings Requirements and the SAICA Financial Guides as issued by the Accounting Practices Committee and the Financial Pronouncements as issued by the Financial Reporting Standards Council.

The directors are also responsible for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated annual financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and for maintaining adequate accounting records and an effective system of risk management as well as the preparation of the supplementary schedules included in these consolidated annual financial statements.

The directors have made an assessment of the ability of the company and its subsidiaries to continue as going concerns and have no reason to believe that the businesses will not be going concerns in the foreseeable future.

The auditor is responsible for reporting on whether the consolidated annual financial statements are fairly presented in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards.

#### Approval of consolidated annual financial statements

The consolidated annual financial statements of The Foschini Group Limited were approved by the Board on 27 June 2025 and signed by:

M Lewis

Chairman

Authorised Director

A E Thunström

Chief Executive Officer

**Authorised Director** 

## CEO and CFO responsibility statement

#### For the year ended 31 March 2025

The directors, whose names are stated below, hereby confirm that:

- a. the consolidated annual financial statements set out on pages 21 to 90, fairly present in all material respects the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of The Foschini Group Limited in terms of IFRS Accounting Standards;
- b. to the best of our knowledge and belief, no facts have been omitted or untrue statements made that would make the consolidated annual financial statements false or misleading;
- c. internal financial controls have been put in place to ensure that material information relating to The Foschini Group Limited and its consolidated subsidiaries have been provided to effectively prepare the financial statements of The Foschini Group Limited;
- d. the internal financial controls are adequate and effective and can be relied upon in compiling the consolidated annual financial statements, having fulfilled our role and function as executive directors with primary responsibility for implementation and execution of controls:
- e. where we are not satisfied, we have disclosed to the Audit Committee and the auditors any deficiencies in design and operational effectiveness of the internal financial controls, and have taken steps to remedy the deficiencies; and
- f. we are not aware of any fraud involving directors or senior management of the Group.

#### A E Thunström

Chief Executive Officer
Authorised Director
27 June 2025

#### R R Buddle

Chief Financial Officer
Authorised Director
27 June 2025

## Directors' report

#### For the year ended 31 March 2025

#### Review of activities

#### Nature of business

The Foschini Group Limited (TFG) a leading speciality retail group is listed on the securities exchange of the JSE Limited (JSE) since 1941 and on a secondary exchange, A2X Markets (A2X), since 2023, in South Africa. TFG operates in three major territories which include TFG Africa (South Africa and certain parts of Africa, as well as online and manages its own credit book), TFG London (through its main subsidiary Dress Holdco A Limited: United Kingdom and internationally, as well as online) and TFG Australia (through its main subsidiary TFG Retailers Proprietary Limited: Australia and New Zealand, as well as online).

TFG is a diverse retail group with a portfolio of 39 leading fashion and lifestyle brands. Through TFG's over 4 900 stores and leading omnichannel platforms across the world our unique portfolio of brands, geographic reach and customer retention initiatives with over 39 million TFG rewards customers differentiate us from other retailers locally and abroad. TFG's combination of experience and forward-looking dynamism ensures the business can adapt and stay ahead as the industry evolves.

#### **General review**

The financial results are reflected in the consolidated annual financial statements on pages 21 to 90. The analysis of shareholdings and definitions are contained in the appendices on pages 91 to 94. Company information is reflected on page 95.

#### **Authorised and issued share capital**

As at 31 March 2025, 1 million (2024: 1 million) shares are owned by a subsidiary of the company, 5 million (2024: 4 million) shares are held by employees of TFG in terms of share incentive schemes and 1 million (2024: 1 million) shares are owned by the share incentive trust. These were eliminated on consolidation. For further details of authorised and issued share capital and treasury shares refer to notes 13 and 14.

#### **Dividends**

#### Interim ordinary

The directors declared a dividend of 160,0 (2024: 150,0) cents per ordinary share, which was paid on Monday, 6 January 2025 to ordinary shareholders recorded in the books of the company at the close of business on Friday, 3 January 2025.

#### Final ordinary

The directors declared a final dividend of 230,0 (2024: 200,0) cents per ordinary share, payable on Monday, 21 July 2025, to ordinary shareholders recorded in the books of the company at the close of business on Friday, 18 July 2025.

#### **Preference**

The Company paid the following dividends to holders of 3,25% cumulative preference shares:

10 March 2025 - R13 000 (11 March 2024 - R13 000)

16 September 2024 - R13 000 (18 September 2023 - R13 000)

## Directors' report for the year ended 31 March 2025

#### **Directors**

The names of the company's directors as at publication date (27 June 2025):

#### Independent non-executive directors

C Coleman

G H Davin

D Friedland

B L M Makgabo-Fiskerstrand

J N Potgieter

N L Sowazi

G Zondi Appointed: 12 June 2025

#### Non-executive directors

M Lewis (Chairman)

A D Murray Retiring: 4 September 2025

R Stein E Oblowitz

#### Executive directors

A E Thunström (CEO)

R R Buddle (CFO)

#### Changes to directors in the current financial year

As was announced on SENS:

- On 2 July 2024, Ms N Simamane retired from the Board with effect from 5 September 2024, following the conclusion of the Company's Annual General Meeting (AGM). Consequently, she also stepped down as a member of the Audit, Risk and Social & Ethics Committees.
- On 6 September 2024, Professor F Abrahams also retired from the Board with effect from 5 September 2024, following the conclusion of the Company's AGM. Consequently, she also stepped down as Chairperson of the Social & Ethics Committee and as a member of the Risk, Remuneration and Nomination Committees.
- On 11 February 2025, the composition of the Social and Ethics Committee was updated. With effect from 12 February 2025, Ms B Makgabo-Fiskerstrand has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Committee and Mr M Lewis has been appointed as a member of the Committee.
- On 12 June 2025, the Board announced the following:
  - Appointments of Mr G Zondi and Ms B Backman as independent non-executive directors of the Company with effect from 12 June 2025 and 1 September 2025, respectively.
  - Retirement of Mr D Murray with effect from 4 September 2025, following the conclusion of the Company's AGM.
  - Changes in the classification of Mr M Lewis, Mr R Stein and Mr E Oblowitz from independent non-executive directors to non-executive directors with effect from 12 June 2025.
  - Mr J Potgieter has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Audit Committee, replacing Mr E Oblowitz who will be stepping down as Chairperson and Member of the Committee.
  - For further changes to the composition of the Risk Committee, Social and Ethics Committee, Remuneration Committee and Nomination Committee, refer to the SENS announcement dated 12 June 2025.

In terms of the Company's Memorandum of Incorporation (MOI), the following directors will retire by rotation at the AGM to be held on 4 September 2025:

M Lewis

G Davin

C Coleman

AD Murray

## Directors' report for the year ended 31 March 2025

#### Changes to directors in the current financial year (continued)

The following directors, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election as directors at the AGM:

M Lewis

G Davin

C Coleman

In addition, Mr G Zondi and Ms B Backman will be proposed for re-election as independent non-executive directors.

For details of directors' interests in the Company's issued shares, refer to note 13. Details of directors' remuneration are set out in note 37.

#### **Audit Committee**

The directors confirm that the Audit Committee addressed the specific responsibilities required in terms of section 94(7) of the Companies Act of South Africa. Further details are contained within the Audit Committee report.

#### **Subsidiaries**

The names of, and certain information relating to, the Company's key subsidiaries appear in note 42.

#### **Special resolutions**

On 5 September 2024, shareholders passed the following special resolutions:

- The remuneration to be paid to non-executive directors for the period 1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025;
- The Company may provide direct or indirect financial assistance to a related or interrelated company or corporation provided that such financial assistance may only be provided within two (2) years from the date of the adoption of the special resolution and subject further to Sections 44 and 45 of the Companies Act;
- The Company and/or any subsidiary of the Company, by way of a general authority, from time to time, may repurchase ordinary shares in the share capital of the Company upon such terms and conditions and amounts as the directors of the Company may from time to time determine but subject to the proviso's set out in the notice convening the meeting; and
- The directors are authorised, as an annual general authority, to issue the authorised but unissued securities of the Company for cash, upon such terms and conditions and to such persons as they in their discretion may determine.

#### Staff share incentive and share option schemes

Details are reflected in note 36.

#### Subsequent events

Details are reflected in note 40.1.

#### Going concern

These consolidated annual financial statements were prepared on the going concern basis.

The Board has performed a review of the Company and its subsidiaries' ability to continue trading as a going concern in the foreseeable future and, based on this review, the directors are satisfied that the Group and businesses are going concerns and continued to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the consolidated annual financial statements. Details are reflected in note 40.2.

## Company secretary's certificate

#### For the year ended 31 March 2025

I certify that The Foschini Group Limited has lodged with the Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) all returns as required by a public company in terms of the Companies Act of South Africa, and that all such returns appear to be true, correct and up to date.

#### D van Rooyen

Company Secretary 27 June 2025

## Audit committee report

#### For the year ended 31 March 2025

On behalf of the Audit Committee (the Committee), I am pleased to present this report for the financial year ended 31 March 2025 to the shareholders of TFG. The Committee is constituted as a statutory committee of TFG in respect of its duties in terms of section 94(7) of the South African Companies Act No. 71 of 2008 (Companies Act) and this report complies with Companies Act, the King Code of Governance<sup>TM</sup> for South Africa (King IV) and the JSE Limited (JSE) and A2X Listings Requirements.

#### **Committee Composition as at 31 March 2025**

	Appointed to Committee	Meetings attended
Mr Eddy Oblowitz <sup>1</sup>	1 October 2010	3/3
Mr Graham Davin	1 July 2023	3/3
Mr David Friedland	1 April 2016	3/3
Ms Boitumelo Makgabo-Fiskerstrand	1 October 2015	3/3
Mr Jan Potgieter <sup>1</sup>	10 July 2023	3/3
Ms Nomahlubi Simamane <sup>2</sup>	24 February 2010	1/1

<sup>1.</sup> With effect from 12 June 2025, Mr Jan Potgieter has been appointed as the Chairman of the Committee, replacing Mr Eddy Oblowitz who has stepped down as Chairman and member of the Committee.

The CEO, the CFO, the Head of Group Assurance, the Head of Internal Audit, the Company Secretary and the partner and senior members of the external auditors' team attended Committee meetings by way of standing invitations. Additional attendees included non-executive directors, Mr Doug Murray and Mr Ronnie Stein, and relevant members of executive management, who are invited to attend all meetings on an ad hoc basis. The Chairman of the Board has an open invitation to attend all Committee meetings. In addition, the Chairman of the Committee has the prerogative to invite other attendees to attend these meeting as he deems appropriate.

#### Roles and responsibilities

#### Statutory duties as prescribed in the Companies Act of South Africa

The Committee is responsible for fulfilling its statutory responsibilities under section 94(7) of the Companies Act of South Africa and assists the Board in fulfilling its independent oversight responsibilities in areas such as internal and external audit functions, financial reporting, financial risk management, internal control systems and legal and regulatory requirements related to financial reporting by, particularly regarding the following key areas and related matters:

#### General

Receive and deal appropriately with any concerns or complaints (whether internal, external or on its own initiative) relating
to the accounting practices and internal audit of the Group, the content or auditing of the Group's financial statements,
the internal financial controls or any related matter.

#### External auditors

- Evaluate the appointment of the external auditors on an annual basis and establish whether such appointment is in terms of the provisions of the Companies Act, section 3.84(g)(ii) of the Listings Requirements and any other legislation and/or regulations and interrogate the external audit annual audit plan, the related scope of work and the overall appropriateness of the key audit risks identified.
- Evaluate the independence, effectiveness and performance of the external auditor.
- Approve the audit fee and pre-approve all fees in respect of any non-audit services.
- Determine the nature and extent of any non-audit services the auditors may provide to the Group and pre-approve all proposed agreements for non-audit services prior to the commencement of such services.
- Obtain assurance from the auditors that adequate accounting records are being maintained and that appropriate accounting policies are in place, which have been consistently applied.
- Review the findings and recommendations of the external auditors and establish that there are no significant unresolved matters as at the date of the approval of the annual financial statements.

<sup>2.</sup> Ms Nomahlubi Simamane retired from the Board with effect from 5 September 2024. She attended the Committee meetings up to the date of her retirement.

#### Financial results

- Make submissions to the Board on any matters concerning the Group's accounting policies, financial controls, records and reporting.
- Provide an Audit Committee report as part of the consolidated annual financial statements.

#### Duties assigned and delegated by the Board

#### General

- Ensure the respective roles and functions of external audit and internal audit are sufficiently clarified and, where relevant, coordinated.
- Assess the effectiveness of the arrangements in place for combined assurance.
- Assist the Board in carrying out its risk management, technology and information management responsibilities.

#### External auditors

- Consider and respond to any questions from the Board and shareholders regarding the resignation or dismissal of the external auditors, if necessary.
- Review and approve the annual external audit plan.
- Assess the scope of the external audit to ensure that it has no limitations imposed by executive management and that there is no impairment of its independence throughout the conduct of their audit.

#### Internal control and internal audit function

- Review the effectiveness of the Group's systems of internal control, including internal financial controls, financial reporting procedures and risk management, and maintain their operational effectiveness.
- Ensure that written representations on internal controls are submitted to the Committee annually, being representations that provide assurance on the adequacy and effectiveness of the Group's systems of internal control.
- Monitor and supervise the effective functioning and performance of the internal audit function.
- Review and approve the annual internal audit plan and any proposed amendments thereto, prior to their implementation, and the internal audit charter.
- Make sure the scope of the internal audit function has no limitations imposed by executive management and that there is no impairment of its independence.

#### Finance function

- Consider the appropriateness of the expertise and experience of the CFO.
- Satisfy itself with the expertise, resources and experience of the finance function and its related activities.

#### Financial results

- Consider and analyse any accounting treatments, significant, unusual, sensitive and complex transactions, or accounting judgements and estimates that could be contentious.
- Review executive management's assessment of going concern and make a recommendation to the Board that the Group adopt the validity of the going concern concept.
- Consider the JSE's report on the proactive monitoring of financial statements for compliance with IFRS Accounting Standards and/ or any other relevant reports issued by the JSE to Audit Committees and confirm that appropriate action is taken, if required.
- Review the consolidated annual financial statements, interim reports, condensed reports and/or any other financial information prior to submission and approval by the Board.

#### Specific responsibilities

The Committee confirms that it has carried out its functions in terms of the Committee charter and section 94(7) of the Companies Act, by undertaking appropriate measures in:

- Confirming the nomination of Deloitte & Touche as the Group's registered auditor, and Mr J M Bierman as the designated partner, for the year ending 31 March 2026.
- Being satisfied that both Deloitte & Touche and Mr J M Bierman are independent of the company.
- Approving the terms of engagement and fees to be paid to Deloitte & Touche.
- Confirming the appointment of Deloitte & Touche complies with the provisions of the Companies Act, the JSE Listings Requirements, IRBA and any other regulations.
- Determining the nature and extent of any non-audit services, which the external auditors provide to the company or any related company prior to the provision of such non-audit services.
- Pre-approving proposed agreements with Deloitte & Touche for the provision of any non-audit services.
- Receiving and dealing appropriately with any relevant concerns or complaints that fall within the remit of the Committee's charter.
- Making submissions to the Board on any matter concerning the Group's accounting policies, financial controls, records and financial reporting.
- Preparing this report for inclusion in the consolidated annual financial statements.
- Performing any other specific oversight functions as determined from time-to-time by the Board.

#### Internal financial controls

The CEO and CFO, through delegated authority to executive management and regular report-backs, continually evaluate the controls and control environment.

This evaluation includes:

- · Identifying risks and determining their materiality.
- Testing the design and implementation of controls that address significant and high-risk areas impacting the financial reporting process.
- Utilising the internal audit function to test the operating effectiveness of these controls.
- Reviewing of control self-assessments performed by management.

Deficiencies in the design and operational effectiveness of internal controls which are identified during the evaluation are presented to the Committee together with the relevant compensating and mitigating controls, any additional procedures performed and the plans to remediate.

The Committee considered the information provided in respect of the design and operational effectiveness of internal controls for the current financial year and noted the contents of the CEO and CFO final attestation. The Committee is of the opinion that TFG's system of internal financial controls and financial reporting procedures are effective and form a basis for the preparation of reliable financial statements in respect of the year under review.

This assessment included consideration of all the entities included in the consolidated annual financial statements and the Group's ability to prepare and report on the consolidated annual financial statements effectively.

The Committee was not made aware of any material breaches of any laws or regulations or material breaches of internal controls or procedures.

#### Internal audit

The Group's internal audit function provides assurance over TFG Africa, TFG London and TFG Australia operations. Internal audit continues to develop and refine its auditing approach and methodologies with new digital enablement and associated interventions.

This approach facilitates the increased automation of processes, and enhanced generation of more risk-focused assurance and related insights and reporting through the implementation of a suite of technologies to broaden assurance coverage. It supports efficiencies of the internal audit processes, enabling greater coverage while optimising costs and providing enhanced value through more focused risk-oriented insight. These technologies include the applications of data analytics, robotic process automation, artificial intelligence, and other enterprise technology tools.

The Committee believes that Ms Carmen van der Vyver, Head of Risk and Assurance, possesses the appropriate expertise, skills and experience to meet her responsibilities and that the internal audit function had adequate and competent resources and capacity to ensure that it was functioning effectively throughout the year under review.

#### Combined assurance

The combined assurance model in place is an overarching assurance model to ensure that the risks identified are managed between the various lines of assurance. Management and internal audit have implemented a coordinated structure for planning, executing and reporting on internal audit, compliance and risk activities. The Committee is satisfied that the Group has optimised the assurance deliverables obtained from the lines of assurance in accordance with the approved combined assurance model and that the model is effective in achieving the objectives of coordinating assurance and reporting to provide management and the Board with a coordinated assessment of the risks confronting the Group, how effective the relevant risk mitigations are and the resultant acceptable levels of residual risks. The Committee, in tandem with the Risk Committee, reviewed the combined assurance model, associated processes and related methodologies and the outcomes thereof and considers the current combined assurance model and its outputs to be relevant and effective.

#### Risk management

While the Board is ultimately responsible for the maintenance of an effective risk management process, the Committee, together with the Risk Committee, assists the Board in assessing and forming a conclusion on the adequacy of the risk management process. The Committee fulfils an oversight role regarding financial reporting risks, internal financial controls, fraud risk, information management and technology risks as they relate to financial reporting.

The Committee Chairman is also a member of the Risk Committee, and the Chairman of the Risk Committee is also an invitee to this Committee. Other Committee members and attendees are also members of various other Board sub-committees. This ensures a sharing of insights and aligns communication between the relevant Board sub-committees.

The strategies adopted by the Audit and Risk Committee's allow for the timely review of any internal control weakness identified by any assurance providers. In addition, continual improvements in the development of Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) methodologies through the evolution of our combined assurance model further enhances the Group's overall risk management coverage and focus. A particular joint focus of the Audit and Risk Committees is to assess reports received on fraud and IT risks as these relate to financial reporting for the purposes of the Audit Committee and operational risk reporting for the purposes of the Risk Committee.

#### International operations

The Group's international operations, TFG London and TFG Australia, have well established combined Audit and Risk Committees.

These Committees play an important role in the governance oversight of TFG London and TFG Australia and typically meet twice a year.

During the year under review, the TFG London Audit and Risk Committee was chaired by Mr Ronnie Stein (the Group's Risk Committee Chairman) while the TFG Australia Audit and Risk Committee was chaired by Mr Eddy Oblowitz (the Group's Audit Committee Chairman). The Chairmen provide feedback to the Group's Audit and Risk Committees and the Board on matters of risk and the financial results of TFG's international operations.

Internal audit compiles assurance plans responsive to the significant risks identified and appropriate assurance reviews and audits were conducted during the year at these international operations to assess those risks.

#### Financial and business environment

#### Trading environment

The Group delivered solid results for the year ended 31 March 2025, attaining record key financial metrics; specifically pleasing was the continued gross margin expansion and positive operating leverage.

An improved trading performance in the second half of the year by TFG Africa, supported by store expansions and the acquisition of White Stuff in the UK, saw Group sales grow 3,6%.

Gross profit margins expanded by 150 basis points on the prior year. These gains, combined with disciplined cost management across all business segments produced a 4,4% increase in operating profit, to a record R6,2 billion.

Online sales maintained its strong momentum and now accounts for 12,0% of Group sales, up from 9,9% in the previous year.

TFG Australia encountered an environment characterised by high promotional activities, sustained high inflation and interest rates adversely impacting consumer disposal income.

TFG London witnessed the continuation of macro headwinds impacting consumer confidence and with high interest rates for the majority of the year under review. Effective 25 October 2024, the Group acquired through its UK subsidiary, TFG Brands (London) Limited ('TFG London'), 100% of the issued share capital and voting rights of White Stuff, a British fashion and lifestyle retailer. The transaction was funded from TFG's existing banking facilities. The transaction is unconditional in accordance with the terms of the agreements and was for a purchase price of R1,1 billion (a net purchase consideration of R1,0 billion) obtaining control as of the effective date.

In terms of store development, 181 stores were opened during the year, with a further 169 stores added through the acquisition of White Stuff. During the year under review 193 stores were closed. The Group currently trades out of 4 923 stores across 23 countries.

#### **Accounting matters**

The Committee concentrated primarily on the following financial matters with appropriate actions taken to address these matters:

#### Goodwill and intangible impairment assessment

The goodwill and intangible assets combined value amounts to R10,9 billion (FY2024: R10,3 billion) and constitutes 34,9% (FY2024: 37,5%) of the total non- current assets of the Group.

Due to the challenging macroeconomic conditions, including high levels of inflation and sustained high interest rates, management, the external auditors, and the Committee continued to apply stress-testing valuation scenarios to critically assess the carrying values of intangibles reflected by TFG Africa, TFG London and TFG Australia, respectively.

The Committee specifically considered the recoverable amount of the Group's goodwill and intangible assets using the value-in-use technique. The assumptions and estimates used were supported by comprehensive calculations, analyses, forecasts and assumptions as prepared by management. Management also received input from independent external consultants to corroborate several of the most critical assumptions and estimates used in the value-in-use calculations.

Following the review of the carrying values of the intangibles, it was concluded that the relevant operations had adequate headroom to sustain the current carrying values of intangibles, with exception of the Tarocash brand held by TFG Australia. A brand impairment charge of A\$5 million relates to the carrying value of the Tarocash brand, which carrying amount was trimmed by 11,4% occasioned by the transfer of its "big and tall" business to the stand-alone speciality brand of Johnny Bigg. Although the brand equity generated by Johnny Bigg is not recognised as an asset under IFRS its value is more than reflected in profit and cash flow generation.

Reports from the external auditors on their work carried out in this specific area was undertaken independently of management's calculations. The external auditors supported that no further impairments are required regarding the Group's goodwill and intangible assets. The Committee concurred with the technical position proffered by the external auditors and supported their conclusion on the matter and the resultant impairment charge.

The external auditors have considered this a key audit matter (KAM) as part of their audit. More details on their assessment is provided in their audit opinion on page 16 of the consolidated annual financial statements.

#### Provision for impairment in respect of Trade receivables – retail

The provision for impairment in respect of Trade receivables – retail amounts to R2,0 billion (FY2024: R1,9 billion). Further details of the provision for impairment is set out in note 35 of the consolidated annual financial statements.

During the year, the Committee received detailed presentations from the TFG Africa Group director responsible for credit on the processes and procedures undertaken in controlling the granting of credit and the optimisation of the collection of receivables. These reports detailed trends in the credit environment, recoveries, bad debt write-offs and other relevant patterns associated with the status of customer accounts. Similar presentations are made to the Board at regular intervals.

Executive management and the Committee have reviewed the assessments, underlying assumptions and related calculations upon which the provision for impairment is based.

The Committee is satisfied that the level of the provision carried is appropriate responsive to the determining assumptions.

The external auditors have considered this a KAM for the purposes of their audit. More details on their assessment is provided in their audit opinion on page 17 of the consolidated annual financial statements.

#### Inventory

The value of inventory at year-end amounts to R14,3 billion (FY2024: R11,6 billion). The stock turn at 2.3 times reflects a diversified retail business and management is satisfied with the freshness of the inventory in all geographies. The Group concluded FY2024 with stock volumes below levels required to support the sales at the commencement of FY2025 which consequently adversely impacted sales during that period. Management considers that the stock position at the end of FY2025 is now aligned with the levels to support normative trading conditions.

The Group valuation method consistently applied between years is the weighted average cost (WAC). Group inventory is measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Inventory provisions are made for slow-moving, obsolete and damaged items and have been assessed for obsolescence using appropriate inventory provision models, responsive to the operational dictates of the relevant businesses.

The CEO and other members of the executive team provide regular reports to the Committee in respect of inventory management. The report includes comments made by each brand head on:

- Their inventory holdings, inventory turn statistics and write-down information.
- The adequacy or otherwise of the overall quantum of their inventory holdings per business unit.

The CFO also provides the Committee with regular updates on the level of inventory provisioning.

In addition, the external auditors provided a detailed year-end report back on their work undertaken to satisfy themselves that the Group's inventory is fairly stated at year end.

After considered debate, analysis and review by the external and internal auditors' reports, together with detailed operational inputs from senior executives and brand heads, the Committee is satisfied that the value of inventory reflected on the statement of financial position at 31 March 2025 is fairly stated.

#### **External auditors**

The Group's external auditors are Deloitte & Touche and the designated partner for the year ended 31 March 2025 is Mr J M Bierman. Deloitte & Touche is afforded unrestricted access to all of the Group's records, information and to management, and were free to present any issues arising from their annual audit to the Committee. In addition, the designated partner has unrestrained opportunity to raise any matters of concern directly with the Committee Chairman, where necessary.

The Committee gave due consideration to the independence of the external auditors and is satisfied that Deloitte & Touche remained independent of the Group and executive and senior management throughout the conduct of their audit. Therefore, they are able to express an independent opinion on the Group's consolidated annual financial statements. The Committee specifically considered Deloitte & Touche's tenure (eight years) and the nature and extent of non-audit services rendered. Non-audit services amounting to R5 million were provided during the current year (2024: R6 million). All non-audit assignments, its scope and related fees were pre-approved by the Chairman prior to the commencement of the work.

The Committee has nominated, for approval at the forthcoming AGM, Deloitte & Touche as the external auditor and Mr J M Bierman as designated audit partner for the 2026 financial year.

The Committee made this nomination having satisfied itself (by obtaining and reviewing the information specified in paragraph 3.84(g) of the JSE Listings Requirements) of the suitability of the reappointment of both the individual auditor and the audit firm.

#### **Annual financial statements**

The Committee reviewed the annual financial statements of the Company and the Group and is satisfied that they comply with IFRS Accounting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act.

This review included a consideration of the JSE's reports on the proactive monitoring of financial statements. In addition, the Committee reviewed executive management's assessment of going concern and recommended to the Board that the Group is a going concern for the ensuing year.

The Committee is comfortable that any material or significant matters have been considered for disclosure and notes that there are no other matters which require disclosure or adjustment in the financial statements.

#### **Integrated Annual Report**

The Committee fulfils an oversight role with respect to the contents of the integrated annual report. The Committee considered the need for assurance on the sustainability information in this report and concluded that obtaining any independent assurance would not be required at this stage.

#### **Expertise of CFO and finance function**

The Committee considers the appropriateness of the expertise and experience of the CFO and finance function on an annual basis. The Committee believes that the CFO, Mr R R Buddle, possesses the appropriate expertise and experience to meet his responsibilities of that position.

In addition, the Committee is satisfied that the expertise, resources, capacity and experience of the current senior incumbents of the finance function are appropriate based on the nature, complexity and size of the Group's operations.

#### **Election of committee members**

As was announced on SENS on 12 June 2025, Mr Jan Potgieter has been appointed as the Chairman of the Committee, replacing Mr Eddy Oblowitz who has stepped down as Chairman and member of the Committee. These changes to the Committee will be included in the proposal to shareholders at the upcoming AGM.

The following members made themselves available for election to the committee, such election was recommended by the Nomination Committee and will be proposed to shareholders at the upcoming AGM:

- Mr Jan Potgieter (Chairman)
- Mr Graham Davin
- Mr David Friedland
- Ms Boitumelo Makgabo-Fiskerstrand

#### **Approval**

As part of the Group's year end reporting processes, the Committee has where relevant, independently reviewed and challenged management's approaches, analysis and recommendations, taking into account the views presented by the external auditor, in order to arrive at its overall conclusion on the audited consolidated annual financial statements.

Against this background, the Committee recommended the approval of the consolidated annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025 to the Board on 27 July 2025.

The Board subsequently approved the consolidated annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025, which will be tabled and open for discussion at the forthcoming AGM to be held on 4 September 2025.

#### **Closing Comments**

Having been a member of this Committee since 2010 and having chaired this Committee since 2020, I have, effective 12 June 2025, stepped down from the role with my fellow Board colleague, Mr Jan Potgieter having been appointed as my successor, effective from that date.

During my tenure as Chairman, I have strived to ensure that, at all times, the Committee has an open and constructive relationship with management and the external auditors as the most effective approach to discharging our specific fiduciary and related responsibilities aligned to the remit of this Committee.

I thank the CEO, Mr Anthony Thunstrom, Mr Ralph Buddle as CFO and the entire Executive Team in the various jurisdictions as well as the Deloitte & Touche engagement team, for their assistance, cooperation and inputs over the many years. I also express my immense appreciation to my fellow Committee members and attendees, past and present, for their supportive efforts, diligence, engagement and sage counsel.

I am assured that under the new Chairmanship, the Committee remains committed to continuing to discharge its duties in an effective and diligent manner.

#### **Eddy Oblowitz**

Outgoing Audit Committee Chairman 27 June 2025

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Shareholders of The Foschini Group Limited Report on the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

#### Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of The Foschini Group Limited and its subsidiaries (the group) set out on pages 21 to 90, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 March 2025; and the consolidated statement of comprehensive income; the consolidated statement of changes in equity; and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended; the consolidated segmental analysis for the year then ended and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including material accounting policy information.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of The Foschini Group Limited and its subsidiaries as at 31 March 2025, and its consolidated financial performance and consolidated cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board and the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa.

#### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the group in accordance with the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors' *Code of Professional Conduct for Registered Auditors* (IRBA Code) and other independence requirements applicable to performing audits of financial statements in South Africa. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IRBA Code and in accordance with other ethical requirements applicable to performing audits in South Africa. The IRBA Code is consistent with the corresponding sections of the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards)*. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

In terms of the IRBA Rule on Enhanced Auditor Reporting for the Audit of Financial Statements of Public Interest Entities, published in Government Gazette No. 49309 dated 15 September 2023 (EAR Rule), we report:

#### Final Materiality

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



Managing Partner: ML Tshabalala

A full list of partners and directors is available on request

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

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Overall Materiality	R340 million (2024: R355 million)			
How we determined it	It represents 7,9% (2024: 8,5%) of reported profit before tax			
Rationale for how we determined it	A key judgement in determining materiality is the appropriate benchmark to select, based on our perception of the needs of shareholders. We considered which benchmarks and key performance indicators have the greatest bearing on shareholder decisions. We determined that profit before tax remained the key benchmark and is generally accepted for listed entities.			

#### Scope of our audit

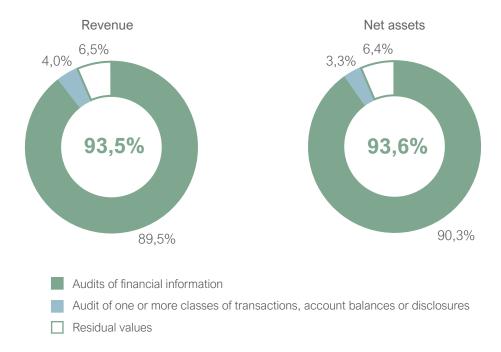
Our Group audit was scoped by obtaining an understanding of the Group and its environment, including the structure and organisation of the Group, and assessing the risks of material misstatement at the Group level.

We selected components at which audit work in support of the group audit opinion needed to be performed in order to provide an appropriate basis for undertaking audit work to address the risks of material misstatement. Our selection was informed by taking into account the component's contribution to relevant classes of transactions, account balances or disclosures.

Based on our assessment, we performed work at 8 components (2024: 8 components). The following audit scoping was applied:

- 3 components were audits of the component's financial information; and
- 1 component was an audit of one or more classes of transactions, account balances or disclosures
- 4 components were subject to group analytical review procedures.

The detail testing accounts for 93.5% of the group's revenue and 93.6% of the group's net assets.



#### **Key Audit Matters**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

In terms of the EAR Rule, we are required to report the outcome of audit procedures or key observations with respect to the key audit matters and these are included below.

#### **Key Audit Matter**

#### How the matter was addressed in the audit

#### TFG London and TFG Australia goodwill and intangible impairment assessment

The goodwill and intangible asset value of R10 940 million makes up 34,9% of the total non-current assets of the group.

The goodwill attributable to the TFG London (UK) cash generating unit (CGU) and the value of the TFG London brands amount to R3 529 million, or 33,7%, of the total goodwill and indefinite life intangible assets balance at the end of the 2025 financial year. The goodwill attributable to the TFG Australia cash generating unit (CGU) and the value of the TFG Australia brands amount to R3 345 million, or 31,9%, of the total goodwill and indefinite life intangible assets balance at the end of the 2025 financial year. Refer to note 3 (Goodwill and Intangible Assets).

In line with IAS 36: Impairment of Assets (IAS 36), the directors are required to assess whether goodwill and indefinite useful life intangibles, are potentially impaired on an annual basis.

The recoverable amount of the CGUs were calculated using the value-in-use technique. The recoverable amounts of the TFG London brands (Phase Eight, Whistles, Hobbs and White Stuff) and TFG Australia Brands (Connor, Johnny Bigg, Tarocash and Yd) were calculated using the royalty relief method. These valuations are subjective in nature as they are dependent on the directors' best estimate of the CGU and brands' future performance based on information known as at 31 March 2025.

As disclosed in note 3, there are a number of key assumptions and estimates made in determining the inputs into the models which includes:

- Retail turnover growth rates;
- Discount rates;
- · Long term growth rates; and
- Royalty rates.

The current economic climates in the UK and Australia, uncertainty surrounding the future economic conditions of the retail industry, the Middle East conflict and uncertainty in global markets, resulted in significant estimation and judgment applied in the annual impairment assessment.

Due to the significance of the goodwill and intangible asset balance and the level of estimation inherently required in determining future performance, royalty rates and appropriate discount rates, this has been identified as a key audit matter in our audit of the consolidated financial statements. In evaluating the impairment assessment for the TFG London and TFG Australia CGUs and related brands, we focused on the key areas of estimates made by the directors.

Our audit procedures included:

- Assessing the design and testing the implementation of the key controls over the goodwill and intangible impairment process;
- Engaging our internal specialists to assess the arithmetic accuracy of the impairment assessment for goodwill and intangible assets as well the appropriateness of the valuation methodology against the requirements of IAS 36;
- Engaging our internal specialists to independently calculate the discount rates, growth rates and royalty rates used in the directors' impairment calculations and consider the appropriateness of the inputs used in the directors' calculations;
- With the assistance of our internal specialists, critically evaluating whether the future projected cash flows used by the Directors to calculate the value-in-use, comply with the requirements of IAS 36;
- Assessing the reasonability of the future projected cash flows, including the assumptions relating to retail turnover growth rates and gross margins with reference to historic information, approved budgets and considering whether they are reasonable and supportable given the current economic climate in the UK and Australia and expected future performance;
- Subjecting the key judgments in the valuation model to sensitivity analyses, including retail turnover growth rates, gross margins, discount rates, long term growth rates and royalty rates;
- Independently recalculating the recoverable amount for the CGU and brand intangible assets; and
- Assessing the adequacy of the Group's disclosures in respect of goodwill and intangible assets.

Based on the procedures performed, the valuation methodology used is considered appropriate and we found the key forecast assumptions determined by the directors to be reasonable. We reviewed the disclosures in note 3 and found these to be appropriate.

#### **Key Audit Matter**

#### How the matter was addressed in the audit

#### Impairment of trade receivables - retail

Retail trade receivables are unsecured and generally provided to customers with higher levels of default compared to the more traditional and often secured loans provided by the banking industry.

Refer to note 1.2 (Significant judgements and estimates), note 9 (Trade Receivables – retail) and note 35 (Risk management).

Trade receivables – retail are carried at amortised cost and the impairment is measured using the simplified approach under IFRS 9, i.e. modelling lifetime expected credit losses (ECLs).

As at 31 March 2025 gross trade receivables – retail amounted to R10 887 million against which an ECL of R1 951 million was raised.

When measuring the ECL of financial assets for the Group, the following judgements and estimates are employed by management (refer to note 35):

- Probability of Write off (PW) constitutes a key input in measuring ECLs. PW is an estimate of the likelihood of write off over a given time horizon, the calculation of which includes historical data, assumptions and expectations of future conditions;
- Loss Given Write-off (LGW) is an estimate of the loss arising on write-off of financial assets. It is based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due from a financial asset and those that the Group would expect to receive;
- Exposure at Write off (EAW) is an estimate of the expected exposure at a future write off date; and
- Discounted Survival Percentage is the discount factor applied on a segmented basis derived from a survival curve to discount future losses. Instead of discounting the EAW of each account by the number of months it takes for the account to be written off, a survival curve to derive a discount factor on a segmented basis is used i.e. what percentage of the balance survives from one month to the next (where survival is 100% write off) and apply the discounting on this survival percentage.

The audit team has obtained an understanding and performed work around the governance structures over IFRS 9 as follows:

- Obtained an understanding of the overall governance structures and committees in place over both the base model and management overlays;
- Design and implementation of controls was assessed over the management overlays and that of the base model; and
- With the assistance of the Risk Advisory IT team (IT specialists) the automated controls over the base model were tested for design and implementation.

Based on the above the governance processes were found to be sound and controls in place were appropriately designed and implemented.

In response to the risk of the impairment of trade receivables in terms of IFRS 9 the following was performed by the audit team in conjunction with our internal specialists (credit and modelling specialists):

- Obtained an understanding of the various assumptions used, the impairment modelling, and data management processes, systems, and methodologies.
- Evaluated, in conjunction with our credit and modelling specialists, the impairment methodology applied against the requirements of IFRS 9: Financial Instruments.
- Our specialists evaluated that the impairment methodology developed has been appropriately applied in the underlying impairment modelling.
- Reviewed the reasonability of the PW and EAW outputs by performing empirical challenger estimates.
- Our specialists have independently re-performed each component and the total ECL calculation based on the methodology set out by management, i.e. ECL, probability of write off, loss given write off and survival discount to evaluate the accuracy thereof in the model.
- We evaluated the appropriateness of forward-looking economic expectations included in the model by comparing to independent industry data. We evaluated management's economic response models to ensure that the macro-economic inputs are appropriately incorporated into the models. Where management applied out-of-model adjustments to the forward-looking information, we evaluated these for reasonableness against historical experience and evaluated the methodology applied to incorporate these into the forecasts;

#### Key Audit Matter

#### How the matter was addressed in the audit

#### Impairment of trade receivables - retail

The Group uses reasonable and supportable forward-looking information, which is based on assumptions and expert opinion for the future movement of different economic drivers and how these drivers will affect each other. As these assumptions and expert opinions pertain to uncertain future events, significant judgement is present. Forward-looking information can include the impact of potential future legislation. The impact on ECLs is assessed based on the latest information available regarding the applicable legislation. Estimates and judgements are required to assess the impact on the PW and EAW, and the timing of the anticipated credit loss.

For the year ended 31 March 2025, management have included a macro-economic overlay.

The following approach was adopted:

- The probability of write off (PW), exposure at write off (EAW) and loss given write off (LGW) was increased by applying stress factors to upside, base and downside scenarios;
- Anticipated recovery yields were reduced by applying the stress factor for each scenario; and
- Probabilities were assigned to each scenario.

The impairment of trade receivables - retail is material to the consolidated financial statements in terms of its magnitude, the level of subjective judgement applied by the directors and the effect that it has on the Group's credit risk management processes and results from operations. It has therefore been identified as a key audit matter.

- Performing a top-down challenger assessment of the adequacy of forward-looking information ("FLI") adjustments utilising a Vasicek based methodology; and
- We assessed the reasonableness of overlays raised by management, based on our understanding of the industry, emerging risks and regulatory changes. Based on our reperformance of the ECL model, we considered effects already taken into account by the ECL model to determine whether the impact of the overlay was not double counted. We evaluated whether these overlays were subject to an appropriate governance process.

Specific attention was also given to the following areas:

- Data used in the impairment model was reconciled to the source information system;
- With assistance from our IT specialist team, we tested the business rules applied for the critical IFRS 9 modelling fields; and
- Evaluation of the appropriateness of the disclosures included in the consolidated financial statements in accordance with the requirements of IFRS 7: Financial Instruments: Disclosure.

Based on our audit work performed we found the impairment to be reasonable and the disclosures included in the consolidated financial statements, as set out in notes 1.2, 9 and 35 to be appropriate.

#### Other Information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the document titled "2025 Integrated Annual Report of The Foschini Group Limited for the year ended 31 March 2025" and the document titled "The Foschini Group Limited Audited Consolidated Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2025", which includes the Directors' responsibility statement, the CEO and CFO responsibility statement, the Directors' report, the Company's secretary's certificate and the Audit committee report. The other information does not include the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's reports thereon.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements, or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. 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.

#### Responsibilities of the Directors for the Consolidated Financial Statements

The directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements, in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board and the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the group'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 group or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated 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 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 consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Plan and perform the group audit to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business units within the group as a basis for forming an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and review of the audit work performed for the purposes of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

From the matters communicated with the directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report, unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

#### Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

#### Audit Tenure

In terms of the IRBA Rule published in Government Gazette No. 39475 dated 4 December 2015, we report that Deloitte & Touche has been the auditor of The Foschini Group Limited for 8 years.

#### **Deloitte & Touche**

Registered Auditor

Per: J M Bierman

Partner 27 June 2025

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## Consolidated statement of financial position

#### As at 31 March

		2025	2024
	Notes	Rm	Rm
Assets			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	2	6 524	5 923
Goodwill and intangible assets	3	10 940	10 259
Right-of-use assets	4	11 747	10 811
Investments	5	368	138
Insurance contract assets	6	301	253
Deferred taxation assets	7	1 468	1 458
		31 348	28 842
Current assets			
Inventory	8	14 293	11 560
Trade receivables – retail	9	8 936	8 325
Other receivables and prepayments	10	1 437	1 388
Concession receivables	11	419	241
Taxation receivables		3	31
Cash and cash equivalents	12	3 228	3 775
		28 316	25 320
Total assets		59 664	54 162
Equity and liabilities			
Share capital	13	4	4
Share premium		7 905	7 905
Treasury shares	14	(865)	(700)
Dividend reserve	15	761	662
Hedging surplus (deficit)	16	12	(26)
Foreign currency translation reserve	17	1 354	1 755
Post-retirement defined benefit plan reserve	18	40	40
Retained earnings		16 398	14 501
Equity attributable to equity holders of The Foschini Group Limited		25 609	24 141
Liabilities			
Non-current liabilities			
Interest-bearing debt	19	7 662	5 953
Lease liabilities	20	9 134	8 303
Deferred taxation liabilities	7	1 138	1 115
Post-retirement defined benefit plan	18	216	202
		18 150	15 573
Current liabilities			
Interest-bearing debt	19	2 372	2 717
Trade and other payables	21	8 718	7 454
Contract liabilities	22	382	366
Lease liabilities	20	4 229	3 836
Taxation payables		204	75
		15 905	14 448
Total liabilities		34 055	30 021
Total equity and liabilities		59 664	54 162

## Consolidated statement of comprehensive income

	2025	2024
Notes	Rm	Rm
Revenue 23	62 558	60 122
Retail turnover 23	58 271	56 221
Cost of turnover 8	(29 505)	(29 266)
Gross profit	28 766	26 955
Interest income 24	2 128	2 075
Insurance revenue 6	284	247
Other income 25	1 875	1 579
Net bad debt 35	(1 388)	(1 394)
Insurance service expense 6	(122)	(111)
Trading expenses 26	(25 209)	(23 394)
Operating profit before acquisition costs, gain on bargain purchase		
and impairment of goodwill and intangible assets	6 334	5 957
Acquisition costs	(63)	_
Gain on bargain purchase	_	4
Impairment of goodwill and brands 3	(63)	(16)
Operating profit before finance costs	6 208	5 945
Finance costs 27	(1 884)	(1 770)
Profit before tax	4 324	4 175
Income tax 28	(1 135)	(1 144)
Profit for the year	3 189	3 031
Attributable to:		_
Equity holders of The Foschini Group Limited	3 189	3 031
Notes	2025	2024
Earnings per ordinary share (cents) 29		
Basic	980,6	934,7
Diluted basic	972,4	928,7

## Consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 March

		2025	2024
	Notes	Rm	Rm
Profit for the year		3 189	3 031
Other comprehensive income (loss):			
Items that will never be reclassified to profit or loss			
Actuarial gain on post-retirement defined benefit plan		-	43
Deferred taxation thereon		-	(12)
Items that are or may be reclassified to profit or loss			
Movement in effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges	16	53	(145)
Foreign currency translation reserve movements	17	(401)	350
Deferred taxation thereon	16	(15)	43
Other comprehensive (loss) income for the year, net of tax		(363)	279
Total comprehensive income for the year		2 826	3 310
Attributable to:			
Equity holders of The Foschini Group Limited		2 826	3 310

## Consolidated statement of changes in equity

	Notoo	Share capital Rm	Share premium Rm	Treasury shares Rm	Other reserves Rm	Retained earnings Rm	Attributable to equity holders of The Foschini Group Limited Rm
Equity as at 4 April 2022	Notes	4	7 905	(1 070)		12 827	21 652
Equity as at 1 April 2023		4		(1070)	1 986		
Total comprehensive income for the year		_			279	3 031	3 310
Profit for the year		_	_	_	- 279	3 03 1	
Other comprehensive income		_		270		(4.057)	279
Contributions by and distributions to owners		_		370	166	(1 357) 168	(821)
Share-based payments reserve movements	4.5	_	_	_	(400)		168
Transfer from dividend reserve	15	_	_	_	(496)	496	(00.4)
Dividends paid	30	_	_	_	-	(984)	(984)
Transfer to dividend reserve	15	_	_	_	662	(662)	_
Transfer of put option to retained earnings		_	_	-	_	(1)	(1)
Delivery of shares by share incentive schemes		_		370		(374)	(4)
Equity as at 31 March 2024		4	7 905	(700)	2 431	14 501	24 141
Total comprehensive income for the year		-	-	-	(363)	3 189	2 826
Profit for the year		_	-	-	-	3 189	3 189
Other comprehensive loss		_	-	_	(363)	_	(363)
Contributions by and distributions to owners		-	-	(165)	99	(1 292)	(1 358)
Share-based payments reserve movements		_	-	-	-	150	150
Transfer from dividend reserve	15	_	_	_	(662)	662	_
Dividends paid	30	_	-	-	-	(1 183)	(1 183)
Transfer to dividend reserve	15	_	-	-	761	(761)	_
Shares purchased in terms of share							
incentive schemes		_	-	(325)	-	-	(325)
Delivery of shares by share incentive schemes		_	_	160	_	(160)	_
Equity as at 31 March 2025		4	7 905	(865)	2 167	16 398	25 609

## Consolidated statement of cash flows

		2025	2024
	Notes	Rm	Rm
Cash flows from operating activities			_
Operating profit before working capital changes	31	12 405	11 661
(Increase) decrease in working capital	31	(2 761)	878
Cash generated from operations	31	9 644	12 539
Interest income		146	143
Finance costs		(1 886)	(1 770)
Taxation paid	32	(1 022)	(1 271)
Dividends received	5	52	57
Dividends paid	30	(1 183)	(984)
Net cash inflows from operating activities		5 751	8 714
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets		(1 803)	(2 005)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets		12	18
Business acquisitions during the year, net of cash acquired	33	(1 044)	(151)
Increase in insurance contracts and investments		(41)	(6)
Net cash outflows from investing activities		(2 876)	(2 144)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Shares purchased and delivered in terms of share incentive schemes		(325)	(4)
Net increase (decrease) in interest-bearing debt	34	1 341	(2 636)
Borrowings raised		1 394	1 147
Borrowings repaid		(53)	(3 783)
Lease liabilities capital payments	34	(4 414)	(4 370)
Net cash outflows from financing activities		(3 398)	(7 010)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents during the year		(523)	(440)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		3 775	4 095
Effect of exchange rate fluctuations on cash held		(24)	120
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	12	3 228	3 775

## Consolidated segmental analysis

	<b>TFG Africa</b>	TFG Africa	TFG	TFG	
2025 (Rm)	Retail	Credit	London	Australia	Total
External revenue	41 901	877	8 786	8 866	60 430
External interest income	133	1 982	-	13	2 128
Total revenue <sup>1</sup>	42 034	2 859	8 786	8 879	62 558
Cost of turnover	(23 313)	-	(3 035)	(3 157)	(29 505)
Employee costs	(6 122)	(241)	(1 704)	(2 524)	(10 591)
Occupancy costs	(4 046)	(17)	(865)	(1 523)	(6 451)
Depreciation and amortisation	(930)	(14)	(158)	(168)	(1 270)
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	(3 067)	-	(408)	(1 187)	(4 662)
(Impairment) reversal of impairment of property, plant					
and equipment and intangible assets	(15)	_	20	(61)	(56)
Impairment of right-of-use assets	(23)	-	(29)	-	(52)
External finance costs	(758)	_	(131)	(8)	(897)
External finance costs on lease liabilities	(792)	-	(71)	(124)	(987)
Segmental profit before tax	2 421	788	336	779	4 324

	TFG Africa	TFG Africa	TFG	TFG	
2024 (Rm)	Retail	Credit	London	Australia	Total <sup>2</sup>
External revenue	40 178	823	7 619	9 427	58 047
External interest income	137	1 932	_	6	2 075
Total revenue <sup>1</sup>	40 315	2 755	7 619	9 433	60 122
Cost of turnover <sup>2</sup>	(23 087)	_	(2 885)	(3 294)	(29 266)
Employee costs <sup>2</sup>	(5 670)	(208)	(1 496)	(2 634)	(10 008)
Occupancy costs <sup>2</sup>	(3 882)	_	(659)	(1 584)	(6 125)
Depreciation and amortisation	(928)	_	(116)	(157)	(1 201)
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	(3 035)	-	(230)	(1 167)	(4 432)
(Impairment) reversal of impairment of property, plant					
and equipment and intangible assets	(26)	_	28	(17)	(15)
(Impairment) reversal of impairment of right-of-use assets	(25)	_	2	(22)	(45)
Gain on bargain purchase	_	-	4	_	4
External finance costs	(914)	_	(64)	(7)	(985)
External finance costs on lease liabilities	(653)	_	(36)	(96)	(785)
Segmental profit before tax	2 013	718	433	1 011	4 175

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1.</sup> Comprises retail turnover, interest income, other income and insurance revenue.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> To enhance the segmental reporting disclosure the Group has included cost of turnover, employee costs and occupancy costs.

### Consolidated segmental analysis for the year ended 31 March

The merchandise category information per segment is presented in the table below:

	TFG	TFG	TFG	
2025 (Rm)	Africa	London	Australia	Total
Clothing	29 267	8 786	8 866	46 919
Homeware	5 762	-	_	5 762
Beauty	1 202	_	-	1 202
Jewellery	1 533	_	-	1 533
Cellular	2 855	_	-	2 855
Total retail turnover	40 619	8 786	8 866	58 271

	TFG	TFG	TFG	
2024 (Rm)	Africa	London	Australia	Total
Clothing	28 374	7 619	9 427	45 420
Homeware	5 338	_	_	5 338
Beauty	1 027	_	_	1 027
Jewellery	1 460	_	_	1 460
Cellular	2 976	_	_	2 976
Total retail turnover	39 175	7 619	9 427	56 221

The Group has identified that the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) in conjunction with the Operating Board fulfils the role of the Chief Operating Decision-Maker (CODM). The Operating Board is distinct from the Group's Supervisory Board and consists only of executive directors.

All operating segments' results are reviewed regularly by the CODM to assess performance and make decisions about allocation of resources to the segments.

Performance is measured based on segmental profit before tax, as included in the monthly management report reviewed by the CODM.

The Group is split into four reportable operating segments, and is further structured based on products and services offered.

The Group have identified its reportable segments as follows:

- **TFG Africa Retail** comprising all the brands retailing clothing, jewellery, beauty, cellular and homeware and furniture through retail outlets in South Africa, Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia, eSwatini as well as online.
- TFG Africa Credit manages the Group's trade receivables and related functions with regard to the granting of credit.
- **TFG London** comprising of the Phase Eight, Whistles, Hobbs and newly acquired White Stuff (note 33), which operate through retail outlets throughout the United Kingdom and internationally, as well as online.
- **TFG Australia** comprising of the Connor, Johnny Bigg, Rockwear, Tarocash and yd.. RAG operates through retail outlets throughout Australia and New Zealand, as well as online.

## Consolidated segmental analysis for the year ended 31 March

#### **Geographical information**

The TFG Africa Retail and TFG Africa Credit reportable segments earn revenue throughout South Africa and certain African countries, as well as online. TFG London operates through retail outlets throughout the United Kingdom and in certain jurisdictions internationally, as well as online. TFG Australia operates through retail outlets throughout Australia and New Zealand, as well as online.

In presenting information on the basis of geographical segments, segment revenue is based on the location of the customers, while segment assets are based on the location of the asset. The geographical information is presented in the table below:

2025 (Rm)	TFG Africa Retail	TFG Africa Credit	TFG London	TFG Australia	Total
Segment revenue	Retail	Credit	London	Australia	TOLAI
South Africa	37 591	2 807	_	_	40 398
Rest of Africa	2 088	52	_	_	2 140
United Kingdom and Ireland	_	_	3 742	_	3 742
Australia	_	_	_	7 638	7 638
Rest of the World	_	_	1 101	530	1 631
E-commerce <sup>2</sup>	2 355	_	3 943	711	7 009
Total segment revenue <sup>1</sup>	42 034	2 859	8 786	8 879	62 558
Segment non-current assets					
South Africa	16 509	_	_	_	16 509
Rest of Africa	456	_	_	_	456
United Kingdom and Ireland	-	_	5 335	_	5 335
Australia	-	-	-	6 307	6 307
Rest of the World	-	-	400	204	604
Total segment non-current assets <sup>3</sup>	16 965	_	5 735	6 511	29 211
	TFG Africa	TFG Africa	TFG	TFG	
2024 (Rm)	TFG Africa Retail	TFG Africa Credit	TFG London	TFG Australia	Total
Segment revenue	Retail	Credit	_		
Segment revenue South Africa	Retail 36 735	Credit 2 698	_		39 433
Segment revenue South Africa Rest of Africa	Retail	Credit	London		39 433 1 995
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Segment revenue South Africa Rest of Africa United Kingdom and Ireland Australia	Retail 36 735	Credit 2 698	London  3 298 -	Australia  8 210	39 433 1 995 3 298 8 210
Segment revenue South Africa Rest of Africa United Kingdom and Ireland Australia Rest of the World	Retail  36 735 1 938	Credit 2 698	London  3 298 - 1 072	Australia	39 433 1 995 3 298 8 210 1 610
Segment revenue South Africa Rest of Africa United Kingdom and Ireland Australia Rest of the World E-commerce <sup>2</sup>	Retail  36 735 1 938 1 641	Credit  2 698  57	London  3 298 - 1 072 3 249	Australia	39 433 1 995 3 298 8 210 1 610 5 576
Segment revenue South Africa Rest of Africa United Kingdom and Ireland Australia Rest of the World E-commerce <sup>2</sup> Total segment revenue <sup>1</sup>	Retail  36 735 1 938	Credit 2 698	London  3 298 - 1 072	Australia	39 433 1 995 3 298 8 210 1 610
Segment revenue South Africa Rest of Africa United Kingdom and Ireland Australia Rest of the World E-commerce <sup>2</sup> Total segment revenue <sup>1</sup> Segment non-current assets	Retail  36 735 1 938 1 641 40 314	Credit  2 698  57	London  3 298 - 1 072 3 249	Australia	39 433 1 995 3 298 8 210 1 610 5 576 60 122
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Segment revenue South Africa Rest of Africa United Kingdom and Ireland Australia Rest of the World E-commerce <sup>2</sup> Total segment revenue <sup>1</sup> Segment non-current assets South Africa Rest of Africa United Kingdom and Ireland	Retail  36 735 1 938 1 641 40 314	Credit  2 698  57	London  3 298 - 1 072 3 249	Australia  8 210 538 686 9 434	39 433 1 995 3 298 8 210 1 610 5 576 60 122 16 362 484 3 497
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1.</sup> Comprises retail turnover, interest income, other income and insurance revenue.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2.</sup> E-commerce revenue is sales earned throughout the world in which the segments operate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3.</sup> Non-current assets consist of property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets, goodwill and intangible assets.

## Notes to the consolidated financial statements

#### For the year ended 31 March 2025

#### 1. Accounting policies

#### Reporting entity

The Foschini Group Limited (the "Company") is a company domiciled in South Africa. The address of the Company's registered office is Stanley Lewis Centre, 340 Voortrekker Road, Parow East, 7500, South Africa. The consolidated annual financial statements (together referred to as the "financial statements") for the year ended 31 March 2025 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as the "Group").

#### Statement of compliance

The consolidated and separate financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRS® (IFRS Accounting Standards) which have been issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB®), IFRIC Interpretations (IFRS Interpretations Committee), the Companies Act of South Africa, JSE Listings Requirements and the SAICA Financial Guides as issued by the Accounting Practices Committee and the Financial Pronouncements as issued by the Financial Reporting Standards Council. The annual financial statements were authorised for issue by the directors on 27 June 2025.

#### 1.1 Basis of preparation

#### Basis of measurement

The financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis and historical cost basis, except where otherwise stated.

The presentation currency is the South African rand, rounded to the nearest million, except where otherwise indicated.

The accounting policies set out below are consistently applied to those adopted in the prior year, except where the Group has adopted the IFRS Accounting Standards amendments listed below that became effective during the year.

#### Changes in accounting policies

The Group has adopted the below amendments to IFRS Accounting Standards that are effective in the current year:

- Amendments to IAS 1: Non-current Liabilities with Covenants
- Amendment to IFRS 16: Lease liability in a Sale and Leaseback

These standards had no material impact when adopted by the Group during the current year.

#### Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company, its subsidiaries, and structured entities. All intragroup balances, transactions, income, expenses and profits or losses resulting from intragroup transactions between subsidiaries or the parent and subsidiaries are eliminated in full. The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting period using consistent accounting policies.

In assessing control the following are considered:

- Power over the investee.
- Exposure, or rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee.
- The ability to use its power over the investee to affect the amount of the investor's returns.
- A change in the ownership interest of a subsidiary, without a change of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction.

#### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.2 Significant judgements and estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS Accounting Standards requires management and directors to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income, and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

Significant areas of estimation, uncertainty and critical judgements made in applying the Group's accounting policies that potentially have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements are as follows:

#### Trade receivables impairment

Measurement of Expected Credit Losses (ECL) allowance

When determining the ECL allowance of financial assets for the Group, the following judgement and estimates are employed:

- Probability of Write-off (PW) is an estimate of the likelihood of write-off over a given time horizon, the calculation of which includes historical data, assumptions and expectations of future conditions;
- Loss Given Write-off (LGW) is an estimate of the loss arising on write-off of financial assets. It is based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due from a financial asset and those that the Group would expect to receive; and
- Exposure at Write-off (EAW) is an estimate of the expected exposure at a future write-off date.
- The Group uses reasonable and supportable forward-looking information, which is based on assumptions and expert opinion for the future movement of different economic drivers and how these drivers will affect each other. As these assumptions and expert opinions pertain to uncertain future events, significant judgement is present. Forward-looking information can include the impact of potential future legislation. The impact on the ECL allowance is assessed based on the latest information available regarding the applicable legislation. Estimates and judgements are required to assess the impact on the PW and EAW, and the timing of the anticipated credit loss.
- The unutilised facility of trade receivables retail does not meet the definition of a loan commitment. No allowance is held against unutilised facilities.

#### Inventory provisions

The provision for markdown of inventory considers historic information related to historical sales trends at a merchandise category level and represents the expected markdown between the original cost and the estimated net realisable value. The net realisable value assigned to inventory is the net selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion (where applicable) less the estimated costs to make the sale.

Obsolete, redundant, and slow-moving items are regularly identified and written down to net realisable value, with the write-down recognised in cost of sales.

#### Goodwill and brand impairments

Goodwill and brands have indefinite useful lives, and are tested for impairment annually or more frequently if there is an indicator of impairment. This requires management to make significant judgements concerning the existence of impairment indicators, identification of cash-generating units and estimates of projected cash flows and fair value less costs of disposal.

The Group applies the impairment assessment of goodwill to its cash-generating units. Management's analysis of cash-generating units involves an assessment of a group of assets' ability to independently generate cash inflows.

The calculation of the recoverable amount requires the use of estimates and assumptions concerning the future cash flows which are inherently uncertain and could change over time. The recoverable amount is calculated using the discounted cash flow valuation method when determining value in use. Key estimates and assumptions on which management has based its determination of recoverable amount include the weighted average cost of capital (WACC), projected revenue growth, royalty rates and gross margins. In addition, changes in economic factors, such as discount rates, could also impact this calculation. Further details are given in note 3.

#### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.2 Significant judgements and estimates (continued)

#### Leases

Judgement is applied when assessing whether an arrangement should be treated as a lease, in determining whether control of the underlying asset has been transferred in order to recognise a lease.

Lease terms applicable to lease agreements, relating to the Group's lease liabilities, are negotiated on an individual basis and contain a wide range of different terms and conditions. The Group determines the lease term as the non-cancellable term of the lease, together with any periods covered by an option to extend the lease if it is reasonably certain to be exercised, or any periods covered by an option to terminate the lease, if it is reasonably certain not to be exercised. Management exercises judgement to assess the likelihood of exercising, termination or extension of the option.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments, discounted using the Group's incremental borrowing rate. The Group uses judgements when determining the borrowing rate by taking the following assumptions into account such as duration, country, currency, and inception of the lease. Incremental borrowing rates are based on a series of inputs, including prime lending rates, a credit risk adjustment and a country specific adjustment.

#### Fair value of business combinations

Judgement is applied when determining the fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed, which are used for calculating goodwill or bargain purchase gains.

#### 1.3 Dividends

Dividend distributions are accounted for in the period when the dividend is declared. Dividends declared on equity instruments after the reporting date are accordingly not recognised as liabilities at the reporting date. However, final dividends declared after the reporting date are transferred to a dividend reserve. The Group has chosen to classify dividend income and dividend distributions as operating activities in the consolidated statement of cash flows.

#### 1.4 Employee benefits

#### Short-term employee benefits

The cost of all short-term employee benefits are recognised during the period in which the employee renders the related service. The accruals for employee entitlements to wages, salaries, bonus, annual and sick leave represent the amount the Group has a present obligation to pay as a result of employees' services provided up to the reporting date. The short-term employee benefits are calculated at undiscounted amounts based on current wage and salary rates and expensed when incurred.

#### Post-employment benefits

The Group contributes to several defined benefit and defined contribution plans as mentioned below.

#### Defined contribution plans

A defined contribution plan is a post-employment benefit plan under which an entity pays fixed contributions into a separate entity and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. Obligations for contributions to defined contribution pension, provident, medical and retirement funds are recognised as an employee benefit expense in profit or loss when the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or a reduction in future payments is available.

#### Defined benefit plans

Post-retirement medical aid benefits

Where the Group has an obligation to provide post-retirement medical aid benefits to employees, the Group recognises the cost of these benefits in the year in which the employees render the services.

A defined benefit plan is a post-employment benefit plan other than a defined contribution plan. The Group's net obligation in respect of the defined benefit plan is calculated by estimating the amount of future benefits that employees have earned in return for their service in the current and prior periods – that benefit is discounted to determine its present value.

The Projected Unit Credit Method is used to determine the present value of the defined benefit post-retirement medical aid obligations and the related current service cost and, where applicable, past service cost. This calculation is performed by a qualified actuary.

Remeasurements of the net defined benefit liability, which comprise actuarial gains and losses, are recognised immediately in OCI and are not reclassified. Net interest expense and other expenses related to the defined benefit plan are recognised in profit or loss.

When the benefits of a plan are changed or when a plan is curtailed, the resulting change in benefit that relates to past service or the gain or loss on curtailment is recognised immediately in profit or loss. The Group recognises gains or losses on the settlement of a defined benefit plan when the settlement occurs.

#### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.4 Employee benefits (continued)

#### Share-based payment transactions

Equity-settled share-based options

The Group grants equity-settled share instruments to certain employees under an employee share plan. The grant date fair value of options, share appreciation rights (SARs) and forfeitable shares (FS) granted to employees are recognised as an expense over the vesting period of the instruments, with a corresponding increase in equity in a separate reserve.

The fair value is measured at the grant date using a binomial option pricing model. The amount recognised as an expense is adjusted to reflect the actual number of share instruments for which the related service and non-market vesting conditions are expected to be met. Costs incurred in administering the schemes are expensed as incurred.

Shares forfeited are sold on the open market and resultant gain or loss is recognised in equity.

#### 1.5 Expenses

#### Finance costs

Finance costs comprise interest paid and payable on borrowings calculated using the effective interest method. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash flows (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) excluding expected credit losses, through the expected life of the debt instrument, or, where appropriate, a shorter period, to the gross carrying amount of the debt instrument on initial recognition.

#### Finance costs on lease liabilities

Finance costs comprise interest on lease liabilities calculated using the effective interest method and are recognised in profit or loss.

#### Variable lease payments

Leases containing variable payments that do not depend on an index or rate are not included in the measurement of the right-of-use asset and lease liability. These related payments are recognised as an expense in the period in which the event or condition that triggers those payments occur. Other variable lease payments that depend on an index or rate are included in the measurement of the right-of-use assets and lease liabilities.

#### Short-term and low value leases

For leases of short-term and low-value assets, the Group has opted to recognise a lease expense on a systematic basis over the lease term. The expense is presented within trading expenses on the face of the consolidated statement of comprehensive income. The Group defines a short-term lease as one that has a lease term of 12 months or less without any purchase options.

#### 1.6 Financial instruments

A financial instrument is recognised in the statement of financial position when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

#### Initial measurement

Financial instruments are initially recognised at fair value which includes directly attributable transaction costs except in the case of financial assets or financial liability measured at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL) where, transaction costs are recognised in profit or loss.

The Group's receivables do not contain a significant financing component and therefore are measured at transaction price. Subsequent to initial recognition, financial instruments are measured as described below.

Financial assets are classified and measured on the basis of the Group's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. The Group determines the business model at a level that reflects how categories of financial assets are managed together to achieve a particular business objective. The Group continuously assess whether the business model for which the remaining financial assets are held are appropriate. If the business model is no longer appropriate, a prospective change to the classification of the asset is considered.

#### Reclassifications of financial assets

If the business model under which the Group holds financial assets changes, the financial assets affected may be reclassified. The classification and measurement requirements related to the new category will apply prospectively from the first day of the first reporting period following the change in business model. Changes in contractual cash flows are considered under the accounting policy on modification and derecognition of financial assets below.

#### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.6 Financial instruments (continued)

#### Modification and derecognition of financial assets

A modification of a financial asset occurs when the contractual terms governing its cash flows are renegotiated or otherwise modified between initial recognition and maturity of the financial asset. A modification affects the amount and/or timing of the contractual cash flows either immediately or at a future date.

When a financial asset is modified the Group assesses whether this modification results in derecognition. Derecognition is considered applicable when a modification gives rise to substantially different terms and resultant cash flows, to those applicable at initial recognition.

The terms and conditions contained in the credit agreement relating to trade receivables – retail accounts allow the Group the flexibility to extend the term of the facility or to adjust the instalment due. Such an adjustment therefore does not constitute a renegotiation of the terms of the trade receivables – retail account.

The Group derecognises a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the asset's cash flows expire (including expiry arising from a modification with substantially different terms), or when substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred to another entity. If the Group neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred financial asset, the Group recognises its retained interest in the asset and an associated liability for amounts it may have to pay in respect thereof. If the Group retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a transferred financial asset, the Group continues to recognise the financial asset and also recognises a collateralised borrowing for the proceeds received thereon.

On derecognition of a financial asset in its entirety, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received or receivable, and the cumulative gain/loss recognised in other comprehensive income (OCI) is recognised in profit or loss. Gains/losses recognised in OCI on equity investments designated as fair value through OCI (FVTOCI), are never reclassified to profit or loss.

#### Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost

Non-derivative financial liabilities including interest-bearing debt and trade and other payables are recognised at amortised cost, comprising original debt less principal payments and interest.

The carrying value of non-derivative financial liabilities determined for disclosure purposes is estimated based on the present value of future principal and interest cash flows discounted at the relevant market rate of interest for a similar instrument at the reporting date.

Gains and losses on subsequent measurement of hedged instruments are accounted for as described in the hedge accounting policy note (note 1.10).

#### Derivative financial instruments

The Group uses derivative financial instruments to hedge its exposure to foreign exchange and interest rate risks arising from operational, financing and investment activities. In accordance with its treasury policy, the Group does not hold or issue derivative financial instruments for trading purposes.

Derivative financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, with the gain or loss on measurement being recognised immediately in profit or loss. However, where derivatives qualify for hedge accounting, recognition of any gain or loss depends on the nature of the hedge (note 1.10).

The fair value of forward exchange contracts is the present value of its forward price.

#### Fair value determination

The fair values of any quoted investments in the Group are based on current bid prices. If the market for a financial asset is not active (and for unlisted securities), the Group establishes fair value by using valuation techniques. These include the use of recent arm's-length transactions, reference to other instruments that are substantially the same, discounted cash flow analysis, and option pricing models that make maximum use of market inputs, and rely on entity-specific inputs as little as possible.

#### Offset

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when the Group have a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts, and intend either to settle them on a net basis, or to realise the financial asset and settle the financial liability simultaneously.

### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

### 1.7 Treasury shares

The Foschini Group Limited shares purchased and held by the Company, or its subsidiaries are classified as treasury shares and are presented as a deduction from equity. Dividend income on treasury shares is eliminated on consolidation. Gains or losses on disposal of treasury shares are accounted for directly in equity. Issued and weighted average numbers of shares are reduced by treasury shares in determining earnings per share (EPS) diluted EPS (DEPS) and headline EPS (HEPS).

#### 1.8 Foreign currencies

The functional currency of each entity within the Group is determined based on the currency of the primary economic environment in which that entity operates.

#### Foreign currency transactions

Transactions in currencies other than the entity's functional currency are translated at the rates of exchange ruling on the transaction date.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in such currencies are translated at the rates of exchange ruling at the reporting date

Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in such currencies are measured based on historical cost and translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction.

Foreign currency gains and losses arising on translation are generally recognised in profit or loss.

However, foreign currency differences arising from the translation of qualifying cash flow hedges to the extent that the hedges are effective are recognised in OCI.

#### Foreign operations

As at the reporting date, the assets and liabilities of foreign operations, including goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on acquisition, are translated into the presentation currency of the Group at the rate of exchange ruling at the reporting date. The statement of comprehensive income is translated at the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions or the average rates if it approximate the actual rates.

Foreign currency differences are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the foreign currency translation reserve in equity. When a foreign operation is disposed of in its entirety or partially such that control is lost, the cumulative amount in the translation reserve related to that foreign operation is reclassified to profit or loss as part of the gain or loss on disposal. If the Group disposes of part of its interest in a subsidiary but retains control, the relevant proportion of the cumulative amount is reattributed to NCI.

#### 1.9 Goodwill

Goodwill is measured as the difference between the aggregate of the acquisition-date fair value of the consideration transferred, the amount of any NCI and, in a business combination achieved in stages, the acquisition-date fair value of the acquirer's previously held interest in the acquiree, as well as the net of the acquisition-date amounts of identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed (measured in accordance with IFRS 3). If the difference between the above is negative, the resulting gain is recognised as a bargain purchase in profit or loss.

Goodwill is not amortised but is reviewed for impairment at least annually. For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units (or groups of cash-generating units) expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination. Cash-generating units to which goodwill has been allocated are tested for impairment annually, or more frequently when there is an indication that the unit may be impaired. If the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit is less than the carrying amount of the unit, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the unit and then to the other assets of the unit on a pro-rata basis, based on carrying amounts. An impairment loss recognised for goodwill is not reversed in a subsequent period.

### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

### 1.10 Hedge accounting

The Group uses derivative financial instruments, such as forward exchange contracts designated as hedging instruments to hedge its foreign currency exposure utilising cash flow hedges. Such derivative financial instruments are initially recognised at fair value on the date on which a derivative contract is entered into and subsequently remeasured at fair value.

At the inception of a hedge relationship, the Group formally designates and documents the hedge relationship to which it wishes to apply hedge accounting, the risk management objective and strategy for undertaking the hedge. The hedged item may comprise of a firm commitment or highly probable forecast transaction which results in the recognition of a non-financial asset or a liability. For each cash flow hedge which is entered into to mitigate the risk of exposure to variability in cash flows, the below are considered and documented:

- Identify the nature of the hedged risk
- Identify the hedged item
- · Specify the hedging instrument
- Confirm the methodology of the hedging ratio used to determine effectiveness
- Detail the analysis of expected sources of ineffectiveness
- Detail how the effectiveness requirements will be met including:
  - Economic relationship
  - Whether credit risk dominates the economic relationship
  - Confirmation that the hedge ratio is in line with the risk management
- Detail the reason behind any rebalancing

The effective portion of the gain or loss on the hedging instrument is recognised in OCI in the cash flow hedge reserve, while any material ineffective portion is recognised in profit or loss.

The Group designates the change in fair value of the entire forward contract in its cash flow hedge relationships as the hedging instrument.

The amounts accumulated in OCI are accounted for, depending on the nature of the underlying hedged item. If the hedged item subsequently results in the recognition of a non-financial item, the amount accumulated in equity is removed from the separate component of equity and included in the initial cost or other carrying amount of the hedged asset or liability.

The Group discontinues hedge accounting only when the hedging relationship (or a part thereof) ceases to meet the qualifying criteria (after rebalancing, if applicable). This includes instances when the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated or exercised. The discontinuation is accounted for prospectively. Any gain or loss recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in cash flow hedge reserve at that time remains in equity and is reclassified to profit or loss when the forecast transaction occurs. When a forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, the gain or loss accumulated in the cash flow hedge reserve is reclassified immediately to profit or loss and does not affect OCI.

#### 1.11 Impairment of assets

#### Non-derivative financial assets

All impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss.

An impairment loss is reversed if the reversal can objectively be related to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised. For financial assets measured at amortised cost, the reversal is recognised in profit or loss.

Loss allowances for financial assets measured at amortised cost are deducted from the gross carrying amount of the assets, and the amortised cost is presented on the face of the statement of financial position.

# 1. Accounting policies (continued)

### 1.11 Impairment of assets (continued)

#### Measurement of ECLs

Impairment in terms of IFRS 9 is determined based on an ECL model. The ECL model applies to all financial assets measured at amortised cost. The measurement of ECLs reflects a probability-weighted outcome, the time value of money and the best forward-looking information available to the Group at reporting date.

The Group measures ECL by projecting the probability of write-off, exposure at write-off, timing of when write-off is likely to occur and loss given write-off. The ECL is calculated by multiplying these components together. For variable rate financial instruments, the ECL is discounted using the current effective interest rate applicable to the portfolio of financial assets. For fixed rate financial instruments, the ECL is discounted using the original effective interest rate applicable to the portfolio of financial assets.

The Group has adopted the simplified approach to measure ECLs relating to 6-month credit plans as they do not contain an explicit financing component. 12-month credit plans do contain a significant financing component due to the difference between the total expected payments to be received from the account customer and the selling price of the goods or services. The Group has chosen to apply the simplified approach to measure ECLs on the 12-month plans.

The simplified approach recognises lifetime ECL regardless of stage classification. A financial asset can move in both directions through the stages of the impairment model.

#### Non-financial assets

The carrying values of the Group's non-financial assets, other than inventories and deferred taxation assets, are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. For goodwill and intangible assets that have indefinite useful lives or that are not yet available for use, the recoverable amount is estimated at each reporting date.

An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss if the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. A cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable asset group that generates cash inflows that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or asset groups. Impairment losses recognised in respect of cash-generating units are allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the units and to then reduce the carrying amount of the other assets in the unit (group of units) on a pro rata basis. The recoverable amount of an asset or cash-generating unit is the greater of its value-in-use and its fair value less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset.

An impairment loss in respect of goodwill is not reversed. In respect of other assets, impairment losses recognised in prior periods are assessed at each reporting date for any indications that the loss decreased or no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

#### 1.12 Intangible assets (excluding goodwill)

Intangible assets acquired by the Group, which have finite useful lives, are measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses.

Subsequent expenditure is capitalised only when it increases the future economic benefits embodied in the specific asset to which it relates. All other expenditure, including expenditure on brands, is recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

Intangible assets acquired in a business combination and recognised separately from goodwill are recognised initially at their fair value at the acquisition date (which is regarded as their cost). Subsequent to initial recognition, intangible assets acquired in a business combination are reported at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses, on the same basis as intangible assets that are acquired separately.

Computer software which is not classified as software as a service (SaaS), is classified as an intangible asset with a finite useful life. Purchased software and the direct costs associated with the customisation and installation thereof are capitalised. Development expenditure is capitalised only if it can be measured reliably, the product or process is technically and commercially feasible, future economic benefits are probable and the Group intends to and has sufficient resources to complete development and to use or sell the asset. Otherwise, it is recognised in profit or loss. Expenditure on research activities is recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

Customer lists acquired by the Company, which have finite useful lives, are measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses. Customer lists are amortised over its useful life and written off at the end of the useful lives.

Amortisation of intangible assets with finite useful lives is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives from the date they are available for use, at the following rate per annum:

• Computer software 7% – 33%

Customer lists
 3 year period

Amortisation methods, useful lives and residual values are reassessed at each reporting date.

# 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.13 Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less selling expenses.

The Group uses the weighted average cost method to value inventory and includes expenditure incurred in acquiring the inventories and bringing them to their present location and condition, net of discounts and rebates received. Costs may also include transfers from equity of any gain or loss on qualifying cash flow hedges of foreign currency purchases of inventories.

The cost of manufacturing inventory comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition.

#### 1.14 Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are measured at cost or deemed cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. The cost of self-constructed assets include the cost of materials, direct labour, any other costs directly attributable to bringing the asset to a working condition for its intended use, and any significant costs of dismantling and removing the items and restoring the site on which they are located.

Cost includes expenditures that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. Cost is defined as any cost directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

When significant parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of property, plant and equipment.

Items of property, plant and equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the periods of their estimated useful lives, at the following rates per annum:

•	Shopfittings and furniture and fixtures	8% – 33%
•	Passenger vehicles	17% – 20%
•	Commercial vehicles	25%
•	Computer equipment	14% – 33%
•	Office equipment	5% – 20%
•	Buildings	3% – 10%
•	Leasehold improvements	Shorter of useful life or lease period

Land is not depreciated

Depreciation of an item of property, plant and equipment commences when the item is ready for its intended use. Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reassessed at each reporting date.

The cost of replacing part of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised in the carrying amount of the item if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the part will flow to the Group and its cost can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised. The day-to-day servicing costs of property, plant and equipment are recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

Gains or losses on the disposal of property, plant and equipment are recognised in profit or loss. The gain or loss is the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset. Impairment and impairment reversals of property, plant and equipment are recognised in profit or loss.

# 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.15 Leases

The Group assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease based on the definition of a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

At inception or on reassessment of a contract that contains a lease component, the Group allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of their relative stand-alone prices. However, for the leases of land and buildings, the Group has elected to apply the practical expedient permitted by IFRS 16 and account for the lease and non-lease components as a single lease component. The practical expedients for short-term and low-value leases have been elected, with payments for these leases recognised as an expense in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

The Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date over the lease term. The Group determines the lease term as the non-cancellable period of a lease, together with assessing if the lessee is reasonably certain to exercise an option to extend or terminate the lease.

The lease term will not include any renewal options where there is no certainty that the lease will be renewed until the renewal option is exercised.

The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability, plus any initial direct costs incurred, lease deposits made in advance of the lease commencement date and an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or to restore the underlying asset or the site on which it is located, less any lease incentives received.

The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the earlier of the end of the useful life of the right-of-use asset or the end of the lease term. In addition, the right-of-use asset is tested for impairment when there are indicators of impairment and periodically reduced by impairment losses, if required.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments, discounted using the Group's incremental borrowing rate taking into account the duration, country, currency and inception. The lease payments include fixed payments less any lease incentives receivable, variable lease payments that are based on an index or rate, and amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees. The lease payments also include the exercise price of a purchase option reasonably certain to be exercised by the Group and payments of penalties for terminating a lease, if the Group exercises the option to terminate. Subsequently, the lease liability is adjusted for interest and lease payments, as well as the impact of lease modifications. Variable lease payments, which do not depend on an index or a rate, are recognised as an expense in the period in which the event or condition that triggers the payment occurs.

The lease liability is subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

The lease liability is remeasured whenever:

- the lease term has changed or there is a change in the assessment of exercise of a purchase option, in which case the lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using a revised discount rate;
- the lease payments change due to changes in an index or rate or a change in expected payment under a guaranteed
  residual value, in which cases the lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using the initial
  discount rate (unless the lease payments change is due to a change in a floating interest rate, in which case a revised
  discount rate is used); and
- a lease contract is modified, and the lease modification is not accounted for as a separate lease, in which case the lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using a revised discount rate.

The remeasurement results in a corresponding adjustment to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

The Group has opted for separate presentation of the right-of-use assets and lease liabilities from other assets in its consolidated statement of financial position.

# 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.16 Revenue and other income

Revenue is defined as the sum of the items described in further detail below:

#### Retail turnover

Retail turnover represents sale of goods from ordinary group operating activities, comprising of clothing and apparel, furniture, appliances and electronics which is measured at the invoiced value of retail sales, excluding intra-group sales and value-added tax. The Group's TFG Rewards customers are offered promotional discounts which is recognised as a reduction in revenue on conclusion of the sale; this does not create a separate performance obligation providing a material right to a future discount. Retail turnover is measured based on the consideration specified in a contract with a customer and excludes amounts collected on behalf of third parties. Customers pay for goods via cash, electronic payments or on store account.

Retail turnover is recognised based on the satisfaction of performance obligations, which occurs when, control of goods transfers to a customer. The full retail turnover is recognised at the point of sale for store sales and the point of delivery for online sales when the merchandise is transferred to the customer. Lay-by retail turnover is only recognised when the control of the merchandise is transferred to the customer which occurs when full consideration is received.

Generally, goods purchased in store or online can be returned within a reasonable number of days as specified on the till slip. Based on past experience it is estimated that goods returned that cannot be resold is insignificant, therefore the Group does not recognise an asset and a corresponding adjustment to cost of turnover for its right to recover the product from the customer where the customer exercises their right of return. The validity of this assumption and the estimated amount of returns are reassessed at each reporting date.

#### Gift cards

Customer purchases of gift cards can be used to purchase goods in store or online. The Group recognises a gift card liability in respect of the performance obligation to transfer, or to stand ready to transfer goods in the future. Revenue is therefore recognised at redemption of the gift card or at the prescription period of the respective country.

#### Interest income

Interest income for all financial instruments, except for those classified as held for trading or those measured or designated as FVTPL, are recognised as 'interest income' in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income using the effective interest method. Interest on financial instruments measured at FVTPL are included within the fair value movement during the year.

#### Value-added services

#### Publishing income

Publishing income is recognised on sale of publications, and monthly in respect of advertising and subscriptions in the period in which the product is provided to the customer. The performance obligation is fulfilled once the publication is sold or posted to the customer.

#### Mobile one2one airtime income

Mobile one2one airtime and data income is recognised in the period in which the services are provided by the Group. In the case of a 24-month contract, the income will be measured monthly on provision of the services, as the performance obligation is met periodically in advance as the services are made available to consumers. Incentive commissions are recognised on fulfilment of the sales volume threshold in respect of which the incentive commission is paid. The performance obligation is considered met on achievement of the relevant volume target.

#### Income earned from the insurance cell captives

Commission based income is recognised based on concluded sales. Dividend income declared by cell captives is recognised on date of declaration thereof. The reinsurance contracts issued not in the scope of IFRS 17 are classified as financial assets and are designated for measurement at FVTPL.

#### Collection cost recovery and service fees

Collection cost recovery arises when collection activities are performed to collect balances relating to trade receivables – retail account customers which are in arrears and is recognised in profit or loss when the relevant activity has been performed.

Service fees are derived from the provision of debtor management services to store account customers. The Group identifies the performance obligations stipulated in the contractual agreements with store account customers. Service fees are charged on a monthly basis coinciding with the monthly rendering of the services to customers.

### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.17 Insurance contracts classification

The Group issues in substance reinsurance contracts in the normal course of business, under which it accepts significant insurance risk from its policyholders. As a general guideline, the Group determines whether it has significant insurance risk, by comparing benefits payable after an insured event with benefits payable if the insured event did not occur.

#### Insurance contracts accounting treatment

The Group assesses its cell captive arrangements to determine whether they contain distinct components which must be accounted for under another IFRS Accounting Standard instead of under IFRS 17. After separating any distinct components, the Group applies IFRS 17 to all remaining components of the (host) insurance contract. Currently, the Group's products do not include any distinct components that require separation. The Group has one portfolio of cell captive arrangements comprising of similar risks which are managed together. None of the contracts have been identified as being onerous.

Cash flows are within the boundary of an insurance contract if they arise from substantive rights and obligations that exist during the reporting period in which the entity can compel the policyholder to pay the premiums or in which the entity has a substantive obligation to provide the policyholder with services.

### Measurement - Premium Allocation Approach

Premium Allocation Approach (PAA) Eligibility

The PAA will be applied where eligible. Majority of contracts have a coverage period of less than one year and are therefore automatically eligible for the adoption of the PAA. For contracts that are greater than one year in terms of coverage, a PAA eligibility assessment had been conducted, and it has been concluded that the PAA can be used.

### Insurance acquisition cash flows for insurance contracts issued

The Group will expense insurance acquisition cash flows where coverage is less than one year. Where coverage is greater than one year, insurance acquisition cash flows are allocated to related groups of insurance contracts and amortised over the coverage period of the related group.

### Liability for Remaining Coverage (LRC), adjusted for financial risk and time value of money

The Group has elected not to make an adjustment for time value of money.

#### Liability for Incurred Claims, (LIC) adjusted for time value of money

All claims are paid within twelve months. Claims are not adjusted for the time value of money as permitted in terms of the standard.

#### Insurance finance income and expense

The Group elects not to disaggregate.

#### 1.18 Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, and when it is probable that it will result in an outflow of economic benefits that can be reasonably estimated.

The Group has recognised provisions for employee benefits, insurance losses inventory and certain tax obligations within trade and other payables on the statement of financial position. Movements in these liabilities, including any optional interest, are accounted for in the income statement.

# 1. Accounting policies (continued)

### 1.19 Non-IFRS performance measures

### Non-IFRS performance measures are measures that:

- (i) are not defined by IFRS;
- (ii) are not uniformly defined or used by all entities; and
- (iii) may not be comparable with similar labelled measures and disclosures provided by other entities.

The directors are responsible for compiling the non-IFRS performance measures.

#### Impact of White Stuff acquisition

Unaudited management account information for White Stuff has been used for illustrative purposes only and this is considered a non-IFRS measure.

Management considers it to be more reflective of the operating performance of the Group. The measure provides an indicative retail turnover growth for TFG Group and TFG London excluding the acquired White Stuff business. White Stuff retail turnover for the period since acquisition on 25 October 2024 to 31 March 2025 was removed as if the acquisition did not take place.

This financial information, because of its nature, may not be a fair reflection of the Group's results of operations, financial position, changes in equity or cash flows.

The management account retail turnover figures used were:

	2025	2024	
	Rm	Rm	Growth
Group retail turnover	58 271	56 221	
Less: White Stuff retail turnover	(1 887)	_	
Group retail turnover excluding White Stuff	56 384	56 221	0,3%
	2025	2024	
	Rm	Rm	Growth
TFG London retail turnover	8 786	7 619	
Less: White Stuff retail turnover	(1 887)	_	
TFG London retail turnover excluding White Stuff	6 899	7 619	(9,5%)
	2025	2024	
	£m	£m	Growth
TFG London retail turnover	377	324	
Less: White Stuff retail turnover	(81)	_	
TFG London retail turnover excluding White Stuff	296	324	(8,6%)
	2025	2024	
	£m	£m	Growth
White Stuff full year sales	184	153	20,3%

#### Impact of Tarocash Brand impairment

The unaudited TFG Australia operating profit before finance costs (EBIT) excluding the Tarocash brand impairment is presented for illustrative purposes only and constitutes a non-IFRS measure. EBIT excluding once-off brand impairment is more reflective of the operating performance of TFG Australia.

	2025 A\$m	2024 A\$m
TFG Australia retail turnover	745	765
EBIT	76	90
Add: Brand impairment	5	_
EBIT excluding brand impairment	81	90
EBIT Margin excluding brand impairment	10,9%	11,8%

# 2. Property, plant and equipment

		2025			2024	
			Carrying value at the			Carrying value at the
	Cost /	Accumulated	end of the	Cost /	Accumulated	end of the
(Rm)	Deemed cost	Depreciation	year	Deemed cost	Depreciation	year
Land and buildings	875	(178)	697	902	(161)	741
Shopfittings and furniture and fixtures	12 284	(7 665)	4 619	9 423	(5 318)	4 105
Motor vehicles	200	(64)	136	167	(55)	112
Office equipment	654	(293)	361	543	(236)	307
Computer equipment	2 310	(1 602)	708	1 755	(1 100)	655
Leasehold improvements	25	(22)	3	26	(23)	3
Total	16 348	(9 824)	6 524	12 816	(6 893)	5 923

### Reconciliation of property, plant and equipment – 2025

(Rm)	Opening balance	Additions	Additions through business combinations	Dienosals	Impairment	Foreign exchange movements	Depreciation	Total
Land and buildings	741	6	-		-	(32)	(18)	697
Shopfittings and furniture and fixtures	4 105	1 199	217	(37)	14	(26)	(853)	4 619
Motor vehicles	112	57	_	(12)	_	_	(21)	136
Office equipment	307	135	11	(1)	(8)	_	(83)	361
Computer equipment	655	251	33	(9)	1	-	(223)	708
Leasehold improvements	3	2	-	_	-	-	(2)	3
Total	5 923	1 650	261	(59)	7	(58)	(1 200)	6 524

# Reconciliation of property, plant and equipment – 2024

			Additions through			Foreign		
	Opening		business			exchange		
(Rm)	balance	Additions	combinations	Disposals	Impairment	movements	Depreciation	Total
Land and buildings	739	_	_	_	_	15	(13)	741
Shopfittings and furniture and fixtures	3 396	1 550	5	(48)	1	33	(832)	4 105
Motor vehicles	99	42	_	(12)	_	_	(17)	112
Office equipment	302	73	_	(4)	_	_	(64)	307
Computer equipment	645	208	_	(16)	_	4	(186)	655
Leasehold improvements	4	1	_	-	_	_	(2)	3
Total	5 185	1 874	5	(80)	1	52	(1 114)	5 923

Assets under construction with a carrying value of R556 million (2024: R954 million) is included within Shopfittings and furniture and fixtures.

None of the Group's assets is in any way encumbered. Property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets are assessed at an individual store level for indicators of impairment. Stores with indicators of impairment are often marginally profitable and loss-making stores that the Group potentially seeks to close by no later than the next lease renewal date. These stores usually contribute negatively to the future projected cash flows or are not aligned with the Group's expansion strategy. The Group continually assesses the current store base and does not anticipate that these stores will return to profitability in the future until their respective closures. In the current year, certain stores became profitable resulting in a reversal of impairment. Refer to segmental reporting for the allocation of impairment per segment. Registers of the land and buildings are available for inspection at the registered office of the Company at Parow East.

### 3. Goodwill and intangible assets

		<b>2025</b> 2024			2024	
	0.44		Carrying			Carrying
	Cost /		value at the			value at the
	Deemed	Accumulated	end of the	Cost /	Accumulated	end of the
	cost	Depreciation	year	Deemed cost	Depreciation	year
	Rm	Rm	Rm	Rm	Rm	Rm
Trademarks and brands	6 234	(1 448)	4 786	5 876	(1 417)	4 459
Customer lists	-	-	-	10	(10)	-
Goodwill	7 591	(1 909)	5 682	7 269	(1 921)	5 348
Computer software	948	(476)	472	837	(385)	452
Total	14 773	(3 833)	10 940	13 992	(3 733)	10 259

### Reconciliation of goodwill and intangible assets – 2025

	Opening balance Rm	Additions Rm	Additions through business combinations Rm	Amortisation Rm	Impairment Rm	Foreign exchange movements Rm	Total Rm
Trademarks and brands	4 459	5	518	_	(63)	(133)	4 786
Goodwill	5 348	-	434	_	(03)	(100)	5 682
Computer software	452	148	-	(128)	-	-	472
Total	10 259	153	952	(128)	(63)	(233)	10 940

### Reconciliation of goodwill and intangible assets – 2024

	Rm	Rm
Rm Rm Rm Rm Rm		1 (111
Trademarks and		
brands 4 316 – – – – –	143	4 459
Customer lists 3 – – (3) –	_	_
Goodwill 5 008 186 – – (16)	170	5 348
Computer software 487 131 (42) (124) –	_	452
<b>Total</b> 9 814 317 (42) (127) (16)	313	10 259

Internally generated software with a carrying amount of R315 million (2024: R392 million) is included within computer software.

Assets under construction with a carrying value of R97 million (2024: R73 million) is included within computer software.

#### Assessment of indefinite brands:

All brands are assessed with the below criteria when considering if the brand has an indefinite useful life:

- The brands can be managed effectively by another management team and are therefore not linked to the tenure of current management.
- Management does not intend to change the current brands identity or discontinue a product line.
- The brands are all well established within the areas of trading.
- The Group's ongoing investment ensures that the above brands remain up to date and fashionable.

# 3. Goodwill and intangible assets (continued)

#### Brands with an indefinite useful life

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
TFG Africa	1 364	1 362
Bash	13	13
Coricraft	133	133
Dial-a-Bed	175	175
Fabiani	49	49
Granny Goose	12	12
G-Star RAW	11	11
Instinct	_	2
Jet	744	744
The Bed Store	29	29
Volpes	194	194
JD Sports	4	_
TFG London	1 503	973
Hobbs	228	229
Phase Eight	701	705
Whistles	39	39
White Stuff	535	_
TFG Australia	1 919	2 124
Connor	946	1 016
Johnny Bigg	63	68
Tarocash	445	541
yd	465	499
	4 786	4 459

The brand intangible assets represent registered rights to the exclusive use of the brand names. The useful lives of the brands are considered to be indefinite. These useful lives are assessed annually or whenever there is an indication of impairment.

### Impairment testing of indefinite life intangible assets

All brands were tested for impairment to ensure the recoverable amount exceeded the carrying value. The Group assessed the recoverable amount of its Tarocash brand in Australia to be impaired by R61 million and the Instinct brand in South Africa by R2 million. The recoverable amounts of all other goodwill and brands exceeded their carrying values.

### 3. Goodwill and intangible assets (continued)

#### Impairment testing of goodwill

Goodwill acquired through business combinations has been allocated to the individual cash-generating units as follows:

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
TFG Africa	2 230	2 105
TFG London	2 026	1 711
TFG Australia	1 426	1 532
	5 682	5 348

Indefinite life intangible assets are tested annually for impairment or whenever there is an indication of impairment as part of the goodwill testing below.

#### Key assumptions used in recoverable amount calculation

The assumptions below have been applied to calculate the recoverable amount of the TFG Africa, TFG London and TFG Australia significant cash-generating units based on a value in use:

#### TFG Africa

### Key assumptions used in the royalty relief method for the Jet indefinite intangible asset

The key assumptions used by management in setting the financial budgets for the initial five-year period include forecasted sales growth rates. Forecast sales growth rates are based on past experience from each revenue channel and adjusted for the impact of committed store openings and closures, changes in contribution between store vs e-commerce and new strategic initiatives undertaken by TFG Africa. Operating profits are forecasted based on historical experience of operating margins where possible, adjusted for the impact of changes to product costs, changes in the African market and cost saving initiatives.

Retail turnover growth rates: Retail turnover growth rates are based on the approved forecast sales forecast period of five years. The average retail turnover growth rate for the Jet intangible asset for period 1-5 years is 4,3% – 12,6% (2024: 4,3% – 12,8%).

Pre-tax discount rate: Pre-tax discount rate of 18,2% (2024: 18,7%) represents the current market assessment of the risks specific to the CGU, taking into consideration the time value of money and individual risks of the underlying assets that have not been incorporated in the cash flow estimates. The discount rate calculation is based on the specific circumstances of the Group and its operating segments and is derived from its weighted average cost of capital (WACC).

Long-term growth rate: The rate is based on the longer-term inflation expectations being 4,3% (2024: 4,3%).

Royalty rate: A royalty rate of 2,0% (2024: 2,0%) was used in calculating the recoverable amount of the Jet brand using the royalty relief method.

# Key assumptions used in the royalty relief method for the Tapestry indefinite intangible asset and value-in-use model

The key assumptions used by management in setting the financial budgets for the initial five-year period include forecasted sales growth rates. Forecast sales growth rates are based on past experience from each revenue channel and adjusted for the impact of committed store openings and closures, changes in contribution between store vs e-commerce and new strategic initiatives undertaken by TFG Africa. Operating profits are forecasted based on historical experience of operating margins where possible, adjusted for the impact of changes to product costs, changes in the African market and cost saving initiatives.

Retail turnover growth rates: Retail turnover growth rates are based on the approved forecast sales forecast period of five years. The average retail turnover growth rate for Tapestry CGU for period 1-5 is 5,1% – 14,2% (2024: 6,3% – 10,7%).

Pre-tax discount rate: Pre-tax discount rate of 15,8% (2024: 16,2%) represents the current market assessment of the risks specific to the CGU, taking into consideration the time value of money and individual risks of the underlying assets that have not been incorporated in the cash flow estimates. The discount rate calculation is based on the specific circumstances of the Group and its operating segments and is derived from its weighted average cost of capital (WACC). The brand pre-tax discount rate of 18,2% (2024: 18,6%) was used.

Long-term growth rate: The rate is based on the longer-term inflation expectations being 4.3% (2024: 4.3%).

Royalty rate: A royalty rate of 2.5% - 5.0% (2024: 2.5% - 5.0%) was used in calculating the recoverable amount of the Tapestry brands using the royalty relief method. No impairment loss was recognised as the recoverable amount exceeded the carrying amount.

Based on the sensitivity of an increase of 0,5% to the WACC rate or 0,5% decrease in the royalty rate would not result in an impairment.

The remaining value of goodwill and indefinite intangibles allocated to the TFG Africa CGU is insignificant.

### 3. Goodwill and intangible assets (continued)

#### TFG London

### Key assumptions used in the value-in-use model

The key assumptions used by management in setting the financial budgets for the initial five-year period include forecasted sales growth rates, expected changes to gross margin and EBITDA margins. Forecast sales growth rates are based on past experience from each revenue channel and adjusted for the impact of committed store openings and closures, changes in contribution between store vs e-commerce and new strategic initiatives undertaken by TFG London. Detailed forecasts with various scenarios were prepared and stress tested throughout the year. Operating profits are forecasted based on historical experience of operating margins where possible, adjusted for the impact of changes to product costs, changes in UK's market and cost saving initiatives.

Retail turnover growth rates: Retail turnover growth rates are based on the approved forecast sales forecast period of five years. The average retail turnover growth rate for TFG London CGU for years 1-5 is 1,1% - 1,5% (2024: 0,0% - 3,5%). Gross margins: Gross margins are based on the approved forecast gross margin for the forecast period. The gross margin for the total TFG London CGU is 71,6% - 72,0% (2024: 71,4% - 72,3%). Pre-tax discount rate: Pre-tax discount rate of 12,6% (2024: 14,2%) represents the current market assessment of the risks specific to the CGU, taking into consideration the time value of money and individual risks of the underlying assets that have not been incorporated in the cash flow estimates.

The discount rate calculation is based on the specific circumstances of the Group and its operating segments and is derived from its weighted average cost of capital (WACC). The brand pre-tax discount rate of 14,1% (2024: 14,2%) was used.

Long-term growth rate: The rate is based on the longer-term inflation being 2,0% (2024: 2,0%).

Royalty rate: A royalty rate of 3,5% (2024: 3,4%) was used in calculating the recoverable amount of the TFG London's brands using the royalty relief method.

Based on the sensitivity of an increase of 0,5% to the WACC rate or 0,5% decrease in the royalty rate would not result in an impairment.

#### TFG Australia

#### Key assumptions used in the value-in-use model

The key assumptions used by management in setting the financial budgets for the initial five-year period include forecasted sales growth rates, expected changes to gross margin and EBITDA margins. Forecast sales growth rates are based on past experience from each revenue channel and adjusted for the impact of committed store openings and closures, changes in contribution between store vs e-commerce and new strategic initiatives undertaken by TFG Australia. Detailed forecasts with various scenarios were prepared and stress tested throughout the year. Operating profits are forecasted based on historical experience of operating margins where possible, adjusted for the impact of changes to product costs, changes in Australia market and cost saving initiatives. Retail turnover growth rates: Retail turnover growth rates are based on the approved forecast sales forecast period of five years. The retail turnover growth rate for TFG Australia CGU for years 1-5 is 2,4% - 4,0% (2024: 3,5% - 4,0%). Gross margins: Gross margins are based on the approved forecast gross margin for the forecast period of 70,6% (2024: 71,1%).

Pre-tax discount rate: Pre-tax discount rate of 15,5% (2024: 15,5%) represents the current market assessment of the risks specific to the CGU, taking into consideration the time value of money and individual risks of the underlying assets that have not been incorporated in the cash flow estimates. The discount rate calculation is based on the specific circumstances of the Group and its operating segments and is derived from its weighted average cost of capital (WACC). The brand pre-tax discount rate of 14,5% - 15,3% (2024: 15,4%) was used.

Long-term growth rate: The rate is based on the longer-term inflation being 2,5% (2024: 2,5%).

Royalty rate: A royalty rate of 2,3% - 5,0% (2024: 2,3% - 5,0%) was used in calculating the recoverable amount of the TFG Australia's brands using the royalty relief method.

The Group assessed the recoverable amount of its Tarocash brand in Australia to be impaired by R61 million. The recoverable amount of all other goodwill and brands exceeded its carrying value.

Based on the sensitivity of an increase of 0,5% to the WACC rate or 0,5% decrease in the royalty rate would not result in an impairment for the remaining brands.

### 4. Right-of-use assets

The Group leases land and buildings for its office space and retail stores. The leases of office space and retail stores typically run for a period of 3 to 5 years (2024: 3 to 5 years). Some leases include an option to renew the lease for an additional period after the end of the contract term. Refer to note 20 for lease liabilities disclosure.

	2025	2024
	Carrying	Carrying
	Value at the	Value at the
	end of the	end of the
(Rm)	year	year
Property Leases	11 747	10 811
Total	11 747	10 811

### Reconciliation of right-of-use assets – 2025

			Additions					
			through				Foreign	
	Opening	Additions and	business				Exchange	
(Rm)	Balance	modifications	combinations	Disposals	Impairment	Depreciation	Movements	Total
Property Leases	10 811	5 571	399	(178)	(52)	(4 662)	(142)	11 747

### Reconciliation of right-of-use assets – 2024

			Additions					
			through				Foreign	
	Opening	Additions and	business				Exchange	
(Rm)	Balance	modifications	combinations	Disposals	Impairment	Depreciation	Movements	Total
Property Leases	9 751	5 764	78	(200)	(45)	(4 432)	(105)	10 811

Right-of-use assets are assessed at an individual store level for indicators of impairment. Stores with indicators of impairment are often marginally profitable and loss-making stores that the Group potentially seek to close by no later than the next lease renewal date. These stores usually contribute negatively to the future projected cash flows or are not aligned with the Group's expansion strategy. The Group continually assesses the current store base and do not anticipate that these stores will return to profitability in the future until their respective closures. Refer to segmental reporting for the allocation of impairment per segment.

#### 5. Investments

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Hollard investment	116	131
Beauty-related investment	29	7
TFG Foundation	223	_
	368	138

The fair value gain of R13 million (2024: R5 million loss) and dividends received of R52 million (2024: R57 million) were recognised in other income in the current year. Refer to note 35 for the details of the fair value hierarchy.

To enhance the disclosure the TFG Foundation investment was reallocated from other receivables and prepayments to investments in the current year.

### 6. Insurance contract assets

The value of the Group's insurance contracts issued that are in an asset position are as follows:

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Insurance contracts issued	301	253

Roll-forward of net asset or liability for insurance contracts issued showing the liability for remaining coverage and the liability for incurred claims.

TFG disaggregates information on insurance contracts based on how they are managed by the Group.

#### Insurance contracts issued

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		2025	
	Liability for remaining	Liability for incurred	
	coverage	claims	Total
	Estimates of th	ne present value of futur	e cash flows
	Rm	Rm	Rm
Net insurance contracts opening balance	278	(25)	253
Insurance revenue	284	_	284
Incurred claims and other expenses	_	(122)	(122)
Insurance service result	284	(122)	162
Cash flows			
Premiums received	(282)	-	(282)
Claims and other expenses paid	-	99	99
Cash flows retained in cell captive	183	-	183
Dividends paid	(114)	-	(114)
Total cash flows	(213)	99	(114)
Net insurance contracts closing balance	349	(48)	301
		2024	
	Liability for remaining	Liability for incurred	
	coverage	claims	Total
	Estimates of	the present value of future	cash flows
	Rm	Rm	Rm
Net insurance contracts opening balance	258	(28)	230
Insurance revenue	247	_	247
Incurred claims and other expenses	-	(111)	(111)
Insurance service result	247	(111)	136
Cash flows			
Premiums received	(261)	_	(261)
Claims and other expenses paid	_	114	114
Cash flows retained in cell captive	148	-	148
Dividends paid	(114)		(114)
Total cash flows	(227)	114	(113)
Net insurance contracts closing balance	278	(25)	253

### 7. Deferred taxation

	2025 Rm	2024 Rm
As at 1 April	343	272
Additions through business combinations	(4)	212
Amounts recognised directly in other comprehensive income (loss)	(4)	_
Foreign currency movements	(15)	5
Financial instrument reserves	(15)	43
Post-retirement defined benefit plan reserve	-	(12)
Current year movement in temporary differences recognised in profit or loss		( /
Prior-year over provision		(1)
Right of use assets	2	564
Lease liabilities	(10)	(459)
Working capital allowances	167	(129)
Capital allowances	(154)	106
Restraint of trade	4	(1)
Assessed losses utilised	(6)	(45)
Intangible assets	18	
As at 31 March	330	343
Arising as a result of:		_
Financial instrument reserves	(5)	10
Right of use assets	3 332	3 330
Lease liabilities	(2 975)	(2 965)
Working capital allowances	1 152	795
Capital allowances	(72)	82
Restraint of trade	(26)	(30)
Assessed losses recognised	234	240
Post-retirement defined benefit plan reserve	(15)	(15)
Intangible assets	(1 295)	(1 104)
Net deferred taxation	330	343
Deferred taxation assets	1 468	1 458
Deferred taxation liabilities	(1 138)	(1 115)
Net deferred taxation assets	330	343

Deferred taxation is measured at the tax rates expected to be applied to temporary differences when they reverse, based on the laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the Group intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

Deferred taxation is recognised in respect of temporary differences between the tax base of an asset or liability and its carrying amount. Deferred taxation is not recognised for the following temporary differences: the initial recognition of goodwill, the initial recognition of assets and liabilities in a transaction that is not a business combination and that affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss, and differences relating to investments in subsidiaries to the extent that the Group is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that they will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred taxation assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences and assessed losses to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which such deductible temporary differences and assessed losses can be utilised. Sufficient future taxable income is anticipated to utilise the deferred taxation asset.

# 7. Deferred taxation (continued)

Companies with assessed losses:

### 2025

	Assessed	Assessed loss	
Company	loss available	recognised	Reason for not recognising the loss
South African companies			
Prestige Clothing Proprietary Limited	94	94	
Quench Delivery Proprietary Limited	19	19	
Cotton Traders Proprietary Limited	9	-	The company has not made a profit since its inception.
Non-South African companies			
Phase Eight (Germany) Ltd	1	1	
Phase Eight (Fashion & Design) Ltd	77	77	
Whistles (UK) Ltd	19	19	
Dress Holdco A	21	21	
Hobbs (Hong Kong) Limited	1	1	
Phase Eight Mexico, S.A. de C.V.	1	1	
Phase Eight (Netherlands) B.V.	1	1	
Total	243	234	

### 2024

	Assessed loss	Assessed loss	
Company	available	recognised	Reason for not recognising the loss
South African companies			
Prestige Clothing Proprietary Limited	89	89	
Quench Delivery Proprietary Limited	21	-	The company has not made a profit since its inception.
Cotton Traders Proprietary Limited	11	-	The company has not made a profit since its inception.
Non-South African companies			
Coricraft Group (Namibia)	4	-	The company has not made a profit since its inception.
Phase Eight (Germany) Ltd	1	1	
Phase Eight (Fashion & Design) Ltd	75	75	
Whistles (UK) Ltd	23	23	
Hobbs UK Ltd	32	32	
Dress Holdco A	20	20	
Total	276	240	

### 8. Inventory

Cost of turnover

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Merchandise	13 612	10 983
Raw materials	666	542
Consumables	15	35
Inventory	14 293	11 560
Inventory provision as a % of gross inventory	8,6%	11,3%
Inventory losses	467	466
Inventory losses as a % of gross inventory	3,0%	3,6%
Cost of turnover for merchandise sold		
	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Cost of goods sold	(28 150)	(27 678)

Cost of turnover is calculated as the cost of goods sold, including all costs of purchases, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing inventories to their present location and condition. Costs of purchases include royalties paid, import duties and other taxes, and transport costs. Costs of conversion are immaterial. Inventory write-downs are recognised in cost of turnover.

### 9. Trade receivables – retail

Costs of purchases, conversion and other costs

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
6-month credit plans	903	857
12-month credit plans	8 033	7 468
	8 936	8 325

The effective rate of interest earned on the above receivables during the year under review is 20,7% (2024: 21,2%). The Group's management of and exposure to credit and market risk is disclosed in note 35. The figures disclosed above is net of ECL provisions.

(1355)

(29505)

(1588)

# 10. Other receivables and prepayments

	2025 Rm	2024 Rm
Financial assets		
Insurance cell captive receivables	28	11
Financial instrument asset	61	45
Miscellaneous debtors'	719	912
	808	968
Non-financial assets		
Value Added Tax (VAT)	-	25
Prepaid expenses	629	395
	629	420
	1 437	1 388

Miscellaneous debtors consist of sundry debtors (rebates and recoveries).

The Group's management of and exposure to credit and market risk is disclosed in note 35.

#### 11. Concession receivables

Concession receivables relate to balances due from stores located in the United Kingdom and internationally, where concessions are in place. The concessions arise due to TFG London and TFG Australia selling their branded merchandise in various department stores in certain international jurisdictions. Management continually monitors the concession receivables to assess the potential negative impact of the global economy and to implement mitigating action where possible. The provision relating to concessions has taken into account the uncertain environment and forward-looking component available at 31 March 2025. The Group uses forward-looking information, which is based on assumptions for the future movement of different economic drivers and how these drivers will affect each other. As these assumptions pertain to uncertain future events, significant judgements are present. Estimates and judgements are required to assess the impact of the probability write-off and the timing of the anticipated credit losses.

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Gross concession receivables	446	312
Allowance for impairment	(27)	(71)
Net Concession receivables	419	241

The Group's management of and exposure to credit and market risk is disclosed in note 35.

# 12. Cash and cash equivalents

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Cash and cash equivalents	3 228	3 775

Cash and cash equivalents are comprised of cash on hand and amounts held on deposit at financial institutions. Cash and cash equivalents are measured at amortised cost based on the relevant exchange rates at reporting date.

The Group presents cash flows arising from its general banking facilities on a net basis within financing activities in the statement of cash flows. These short-term facilities are utilised to finance the Group's working capital, and the cash movements on these accounts consist of large cash receipts and payments that take place weekly.

The Group does not hold any restricted cash balances at year end.

The Group's exposure to interest rate risk and a sensitivity analysis for financial assets and liabilities are disclosed in note 35.

### 13. Share capital

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Authorised		
200 000 (2024: 200 000) 6,5% cumulative preference shares of R2 each	_*	_*
600 000 000 (2024: 600 000 000) ordinary shares of 1,25 cents each	8	8
	8	8
Issued		
Ordinary share capital		
Ordinary shares of 1,25 cents each		
Total in issue	4	4
Shares held by subsidiary	_*	_*
Shares held in terms of the share incentive schemes	_*	_*
Total in issue at the end of the year - Group	4	4
Preference share capital		
200 000 (2024: 200 000) 6,5% cumulative preference shares of R2 each	_*	_*
Total net issued share capital - Group	4	4

<sup>\*</sup> Zero as a result of rounding.

	Number of shares	
	2025	2024
Reconciliation of number of shares issued:		
Total in issue at the beginning of the year – Group	331 027 300	331 027 300
Shares held by subsidiary	(1 080 599)	(1 080 599)
Shares held in terms of share incentive schemes	(6 127 079)	(5 019 271)
Total in issue at the end of the year – Group	323 819 622	324 927 430

### Ordinary shares

Ordinary share capital is classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of ordinary shares and share instruments are recognised as a deduction from equity, net of any tax effects.

#### Preference share capital

Preference share capital is classified as equity. Dividends thereon are recognised as distributions within equity.

### Dividend and voting rights

The holders of ordinary shares are entitled to receive dividends as declared from time to time and are entitled to one vote per share at meetings of the company. Holders of the cumulative preference shares receive a cumulative dividend of 6,5 cents per share at interim (September) and year end (March) of each year.

Holders of ordinary shares received the following dividends during the year:

Interim: 160,0 cents per share paid on 6 January 2025.

Final: 230,0 cents per share payable on 21 July 2025.

### Unissued ordinary shares

In terms of the provisions of the Companies Act of South Africa and limited to the issuing of shares in terms of the Company's obligations under the staff share incentive schemes, the unissued ordinary shares are under the control of the directors only until the forthcoming AGM.

# 13. Share capital (continued)

### Directors' interest

At 31 March 2025, the directors had the following interest in the company's issued shares:

		Share appreciation			
		rights		2025	2024
	Shares	accepted	Year of	Total	Total
	000	000	delivery	000	000
Non-executive					
M Lewis (indirect beneficial)	1 455	_		1 455	1 819
D Friedland (indirect beneficial)	20	_		20	30
A D Murray (direct beneficial)	500	_		500	647
A D Murray (indirect beneficial)	100	_		100	328
E Oblowitz (direct beneficial)	3	_		3	3
N V Simamane (direct beneficial)	_	-		-	2
R Stein (direct beneficial)	184	-		184	184
R Stein (indirect beneficial)	80	-		80	80
Total non-executive	2 342	-		2 342	3 093
Executive					
A E Thunström (direct beneficial)	409	_		409	353
A E Thunström (restricted forfeitable shares)	397	_	2026 - 2028	397	302
A E Thunström (Matching shares)	_	_		_	14
A E Thunström (deferred shares)	34	_	N/A	34	34
A E Thunström (share appreciation rights)	_	1 600	2029	1 600	_
	840	1 600		2 440	703
R R Buddle (share appreciation rights)	_	825	2029	825	
Executive					
Total executive shares	840	2 425		3 265	703
Non-executive and executive					
Total shares	3 182	2 425		5 607	3 796
+ 0 :					

<sup>\*</sup> Price per share equates to the strike price.

# Changes to directors' interests after year end

	FSRs	lu dia ativa
	accepted <sup>1</sup>	Indicative
	Number of	value <sup>2</sup>
Acceptance of FSRs post year end	shares	R'000
A E Thunström	153 668	20 130
R R Buddle	58 133	7 615

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The restricted forfeitable shares to be allocated as result of the deferred incentive portion of the single incentive.

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Indicative value based on the 30-day Volume Weighted Average Price (VWAP) of R131 on 31 March 2025.

# 14. Treasury shares

	Number of shares	
	2025	2024
Foschini Stores Proprietary Limited	1 080 599	1 080 599
The Foschini Share Incentive Trust	1 134 647	1 134 647
Employees of TFG in terms of share incentive schemes	3 884 624	6 397 651
Balance at the beginning of the year	6 099 870	8 612 897
Shares purchased during the year in terms of share incentive schemes	2 400 000	_
Shares delivered during the year	(1 292 192)	(2 513 027)
Foschini Stores Proprietary Limited	1 080 599	1 080 599
The Foschini Share Incentive Trust	1 134 647	1 134 647
Employees of TFG in terms of share incentive schemes	4 992 432	3 884 624
Balance at the end of the year	7 207 678	6 099 870

Weighted average price per share purchased for the year was R135,67 (2024: no shares were purchased). The current cost of treasury shares amounts to R865 million (2024: R700 million).

### 15. Dividend reserve

An amount equal to dividends declared subsequent to the reporting date is transferred to the dividend reserve.

A final dividend of 230,0 cents (2024: 200,0) cents per ordinary share was declared on 6 June 2025 and is payable on 21 July 2025.

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Balance at 1 April	662	496
Transfer from dividend reserve to distributable earnings	(662)	(496)
Transfer to dividend reserve from distributable earnings	761	662
Balance at 31 March	761	662

# 16. Hedging surplus (deficit)

The hedging surplus (deficit) comprises the effective portion of the cumulative net change in the fair value of cash flow hedging instruments related to hedged transactions that have not yet occurred.

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Balance at 1 April	(26)	76
Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges	53	(145)
Deferred tax on movement in effective portion of cash flow hedges	(15)	43
Balance at 31 March	12	(26)
Comprised as follows:		
Forward exchange contracts - fair value	17	(36)
Deferred tax on forward exchange contracts	(5)	10
Balance at 31 March	12	(26)

The opening balance of R26 million was realised during the year and recycled to inventory then ultimately to profit or loss when sold. Refer to note 35 for the reconciliation of the cash flow hedge reserve. The forward exchange contracts are used to hedge the estimated foreign currency exposure to forecast purchases over the next six months.

### 17. Foreign currency translation reserve

The foreign currency translation reserve comprises gains and losses arising on translation of the assets, liabilities, income and expenses of foreign operations.

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Balance at 1 April	1 755	1 405
Foreign currency translation differences	(401)	350
Balance at 31 March	1 354	1 755

# 18. Post-retirement defined benefit plan

### Defined benefit plan

At March 2025, the Group had an obligation to provide post-retirement health care to 614 members (2024: 614 members) members. Employees who joined the company prior to 1 January 1999 and have met certain requirements are eligible for a post employment subsidy on their contributions. These members belong to the TFG Medical Aid Scheme, registered in terms of the Medical Schemes Act, No. 131 of 1998, as amended. An actuarial valuation was performed as at 31 March 2024. An actuarial valuation is performed every two years.

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Movements for the year		
Balance at 1 April	202	233
Settlements	(16)	(15)
Service cost	2	2
Interest cost	28	25
Actuarial gain	_	(43)
Balance at 31 March	216	202
Net expense recognised in profit or loss		
Settlements	(16)	(14)
Service cost	2	2
Interest cost	28	25
	14	13
Post-retirement defined benefit plan reserve		
Balance at 1 April	40	8
Actuarial gain <sup>1</sup>	_	43
Actuarial gain remeasurements due to:		
Financial assumptions	_	36
Experience adjustments	_	7
Deferred tax on actuarial gain	-	(11)
	40	40
Key assumptions used		
Gross discount rates used	15%	15%
Implied allowances for medical scheme contribution inflation	10%	10%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> An actuarial valuation is performed every two years.

### Other assumptions

#### Mortality assumptions:

- Pre-retirement Male "SA85-90 (Light)"
- Pre-retirement Female "SA85-90 (Light)"
- Post-retirement Male "PA90" males
- Post-retirement Female "PA90" females

#### Withdrawal and retirement assumptions:

- Employees are assumed to retire at their normal retirement age of 65 (2024: 65), dependent on the employee.
- Withdrawal assumptions: 0%- 2% (2024: 0% 2,0% depending on age of employee).

<sup>&</sup>quot;SA85-90 (Light)" and "PA90" are standard actuary mortality tables used as the basis for the assumptions regarding the life expectancy of employees and pensioners in the valuation.

# 18. Post-retirement defined benefit plan (continued)

### Other assumptions (continued)

### Withdrawal and retirement assumptions (continued)

The Group is exposed to the following risks through its post-retirement defined benefit plan:

- Inflation;
- Longevity;
- · Open-ended, long-term liability;
- Future changes in legislation;
- Future changes in the tax environment;
- Perceived inequality by non-eligible employees;
- · Administration; and
- Enforcement of eligibility criteria and rules.

The duration of the post-retirement liability is expected to be 10 years (2024: 11 years).

Expected contributions for 2026 is R14 million (2025: R13 million).

It was also assumed that no significant changes would occur in the structure of the medical arrangements or in the subsidy scales for members (except for the adjustments above).

### Sensitivity analysis

Total actuarial liability 31 March 2025:

	Defined benefit obligation	
	Increase	Decrease
	Rm	Rm
Health cost inflation (1% movement)	237	199
Expected retirement age (1 year movement)	214	219
Discount rate (1% movement)	199	237

Total actuarial liability 31 March 2024:

	Defined benefit obligation	
	Increase	Decrease
	Rm	Rm
Health cost inflation (1% movement)	223	185
Expected retirement age (1 year movement)	200	205
Discount rate (1% movement)	185	223

# 19. Interest-bearing debt

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Non-current liabilities		
Unsecured fluctuating loans in terms of long-term bank facilities	7 662	5 953
Current liabilities		
At amortised cost	2 372	2 717
	10 034	8 670

# Interest-bearing debt profile and interest rate margins

	Interest rate margin		Carrying amount	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
	%	%	Rm	Rm
Interest-bearing debt payable within one year (JIBAR)	0,8 – 1,1	0,9 – 1,4	2 372	2 717
Interest-bearing debt payable within one and two years (JIBAR)	1,2 – 1,3	1,3 – 1,5	3 054	2 753
Interest-bearing debt payable after two years (JIBAR)	1,5	1,5	2 770	2 779
Interest-bearing debt payable within one and two years (SONIA)	2,8	2,8	1 838	421
			10 034	8 670

The effective rate (excluding TFG London and TFG Australia) for 2025 was 8,8% Nominal Annual Compounded Monthly (NACM) (2024: 9,6% NACM).

In South Africa, most term debt funding is linked to the three-month Johannesburg Interbank Average Rate (JIBAR) which is the reference rate to be recognised until such time that the South African Reserve Bank has confirmed that this has ceased to be the case and its official replacement has been decided on. TFG will then renegotiate the terms of the replacement with the funders. TFG London term debt funding is linked to a three-month Sterling Overnight Index Average (SONIA).

The Group's borrowing powers in terms of its memorandum of incorporation are unlimited.

The Group's management of and exposure to liquidity and market risk is disclosed in note 35.

### 20. Lease liabilities

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Due for settlement within 12 months	4 229	3 836
Due for settlement after 12 months	9 134	8 303
	13 363	12 139
	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Maturity analysis		
Up to 1 year	5 297	4 457
1 – 5 years	9 563	8 824
More than 5 years	611	481
	15 471	13 762
Less: unearned interest	(2 108)	(1 623)
	13 363	12 139

The Group does not face a significant liquidity risk with regard to its lease liabilities.

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Amounts recognised in profit or loss		
Depreciation of right-of-use assets (refer to note 4)	4 662	4 432
Impairment of right-of-use assets (refer to note 4)	52	45
Finance costs on lease liabilities (refer to note 27)	987	785
Expense relating to leases of low value assets	34	42
Expense relating to variable payments not included in the measurement of the lease liability	1 050	974

Some of the property leases contain variable lease payments that are linked to sales generated from the leased stores as well as variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or rate.

The breakdown of lease payments for these property leases is as follows:

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Fixed payments	5 401	5 155
Variable payments	1 050	974
Total payments	6 451	6 129

Variable payments constitute 16,3% (2024: 15,9%) of the Group's entire lease payments for property leases.

The total payments for all leases amounted to R6 485 million (2024: R6 167 million) which includes fixed and variable payments and expenses relating to leases of low value assets.

# 21. Trade and other payables

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Financial liabilities		
Trade payables	5 328	4 249
Financial instrument liability	8	40
	5 336	4 289
Non-financial liabilities		
Other payables	3 035	2 790
Employee-related accruals	347	375
	3 382	3 165
	8 718	7 454

Trade payables are interest-free and have payment terms of up to 90 days.

Other payables consist primarily of accruals raised in the normal course of business.

The Group's management of and exposure to market, cash flow and liquidity risk is disclosed in note 35.

#### 22. Contract liabilities

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Gift card liability	191	190
Lay-by liability	191	176
	382	366

Revenue recognised in the current year that was included in the lay-by liability balance in the prior year amounted to R70 million (2024: R69 million).

### 23. Revenue

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Retail turnover	58 271	56 221
Interest income (refer to note 24)	2 128	2 075
Insurance revenue	284	247
Other income (refer to note 25)	1 875	1 579
	62 558	60 122
	2025	2024
Retail turnover consists of:	Rm	Rm
Cash sales	47 745	46 256
Credit sales	10 526	9 965
	58 271	56 221

All credit sales relate to the TFG Africa segment.

### 24. Interest income

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Trade receivables – retail	1 982	1 932
Sundry	146	143
	2 128	2 075

Sundry primarily relates to bank interest income earned.

# 25. Other income

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Value-added services	949	700
Collection cost recovery and service fees	877	823
Sundry income	49	56
	1 875	1 579

# 26. Trading expenses

	2025 Rm	2024 Rm
Operating profit before acquisition costs, and finance costs has been arrived at after taking		
account of:		
Trading expenses		()
Net occupancy costs	(1 050)	(970)
Occupancy costs <sup>1</sup>	(6 451)	(6 125)
Occupancy costs lease reversal <sup>2</sup>	5 401	5 155
Depreciation on right-of-use assets <sup>3</sup>	(4 662)	(4 432)
Depreciation and amortisation	(1 270)	(1 201)
Employee costs	(10 591)	(10 008)
Other operating costs	(7 636)	(6 783)
	(25 209)	(23 394)
<ol> <li>Occupancy costs lease reversal refers to the rental costs associated with property leases that are accounted for under IFRS 16.</li> <li>Depreciation and amortisation excludes the portion of the expense allocated to cost of sales of R58 million (2024: R40 million).</li> </ol>		
The following disclosable amounts are included above:		
Auditors' remuneration	(4=)	(0.7)
Audit fees	(47)	(37)
Non-audit fees	(5)	(6)
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment and computer software	(53)	(104)
Reversal of impairment of property, plant and equipment and computer software	7	1
Profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment and computer software	4	1
Impairment of right-of-use assets	(52)	(45)
Share-based payments	(150)	(168)
Fair value adjustment on investment	13	(5)
Fair value adjustment on put option liability	_	5
Retirement fund expenses (note 36)	(667)	(641)
Foreign exchange (loss) gain	(35)	60

### 27. Finance costs

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Finance costs on lease liabilities	(987)	(785)
Finance costs on interest-bearing debt	(897)	(985)
	(1 884)	(1 770)

Finance costs increased predominantly due to the increase in interest rates and higher levels of borrowings.

### 28. Taxation

Courth African current taxation Current year Prior-year (over) under provision Dividends withholding tax South African deferred taxation Current year	825 (5) 15	676 24 17
Current year Prior-year (over) under provision Dividends withholding tax South African deferred taxation	(5)	24
Prior-year (over) under provision Dividends withholding tax South African deferred taxation	(5)	24
Dividends withholding tax South African deferred taxation		
South African deferred taxation	15	17
Current year		
•	(73)	(37)
Prior-year over provision	(48)	(15)
Assessed loss recognised	6	(12)
Non-South African current taxation		
Current year	356	478
Prior-year over provision	(32)	(16)
Dividends withholding tax	(3)	-
Non-South African deferred taxation		
Current year	91	(44)
Prior-year under provision	3	16
Assessed loss utilised	_	57
	1 135	1 144
	2225	0004
	2025	2024
Description of the tay expense	%	<u>%</u>
Reconciliation of the tax expense  Effective tax rate	26.2	27,4
	26,2	
Employee Tax Incentive	(0,1)	0,3 0,3
Learnership allowances	0,2	
Other exempt and non taxable	1,5	1,0
Non-deductible expenditure	(2,4)	(1,3)
mpact of foreign tax rates Vithholding taxes	(0.2)	(0,3)
	(0,3)	(0,4)
Prior year under provision South African statutory rate	1,9 27,0	27,0

Income tax expense comprises current and deferred taxation.

Income tax expense is recognised in profit or loss, except to the extent that it relates to a transaction recognised directly in OCI or in equity, in which case it is recognised in OCI or equity as appropriate.

Current tax is the expected taxation payable that is calculated on the basis of taxable income for the year using the tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date and any adjustment of taxation payable for previous years.

Taxable profit differs from net profit as reported in profit or loss because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are neither taxable or deductible.

A provision is recognised for those matters for which the tax determination is uncertain, but it is considered probable that there will be a future outflow of funds to a tax authority. The provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amount expected to become payable. The assessment is based on the judgement of tax professionals within the Group supported by previous experience in respect of such activities and in certain cases based on specialist independent tax advice.

The Group is subject to income tax in more than one jurisdiction. Judgement is required in determining the provisions for income tax due to the complexity of legislation. There are transactions and calculations for which the ultimate tax determination is uncertain during the ordinary course of business. The Group recognises liabilities for anticipated tax audit issues based on whether the particular tax treatment is acceptable to the respective revenue authorities. If the Group concludes that it is probable that a particular tax treatment is accepted, the Group determines its taxable profit (tax losses), tax bases, unused tax losses, unused tax credits or tax rates consistently with the tax treatment included in its income tax filings. If the Group concludes that it is not probable that a particular tax treatment is accepted, the Group uses the most likely amount or the expected value of the tax treatment when determining taxable profit (tax loss), tax bases, unused tax credits and tax rates. Where the final tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recorded, such differences will impact the income tax and deferred tax provisions in the period in which such determination is made.

# 29. Earnings per share

### Basic and headline earnings per share

The calculation of basic and headline earnings per share for the year ended 31 March 2025 is based on profit for the year attributable to ordinary shareholders of The Foschini Group Limited of R3 189 million (2024: R3 031 million) and headline earnings of R3 303 million (2024: R3 149 million) divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares as follows:

	2025		2024	
		Net of		Net of
	Gross	taxation	Gross	taxation
	Rm	Rm	Rm	Rm
Reconciliation of profit for the year to headline earnings				
Profit for the year attributable to equity holders of The Foschini Group Limited		3 189		3 031
Adjusted for:				
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	53	39	104	77
Reversal of impairment of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	(7)	(5)	(1)	(2)
Profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	(4)	(3)	(1)	(1)
Impairment of right-of-use assets	52	39	45	32
Impairment of goodwill and brands	63	44	16	16
Gain on bargain purchase	_	_	(4)	(4)
Headline earnings	157	3 303	159	3 149

	2025		202	24	
	Number of shares		Number o	of shares	
	Gross	Gross Weighted Gros		Weighted	
Gross number of ordinary shares in issue	331 027 300	331 027 300	331 027 300	331 027 300	
Treasury shares	(7 207 678)	(5 782 143)	(6 099 870)	(6 729 540)	
Net number of ordinary shares in issue at end of the year	323 819 622	325 245 157	324 927 430	324 297 760	

	2025	2024
	Number of	Number of
	shares	shares
	Gross	Gross
Gross number of ordinary shares in issue	331 027 300	331 027 300
Treasury shares	(6 099 870)	(8 612 897)
Net number of ordinary shares in issue at beginning of the year	324 927 430	322 414 403
Movements in treasury shares		
Purchased	(2 400 000)	_
Delivered	1 292 192	2 513 027
Net number of ordinary shares in issue at end of the year	323 819 622	324 927 430
Gross number of ordinary shares in issue	331 027 300	331 027 300
Treasury shares	(7 207 678)	(6 099 870)
	2025	2024
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	325 245 157	324 297 760
Earnings per ordinary share (cents)		
Basic earnings per ordinary share	980,6	934,7
Headline earnings per ordinary share	1 015,6	970,7

# 29. Earnings per share (continued)

### Diluted earnings and diluted headline earnings per share

The calculation of diluted earnings and diluted headline earnings per share for the year ended 31 March 2025 is based on profit for the year attributable to ordinary shareholders of The Foschini Group Limited of R3 189 million (2024: R3 031 million) and headline earnings of R3 303 million (2024: R3 149 million) divided by the fully diluted weighted average number of ordinary shares as follows:

	2025	2024
Weighted average number of ordinary shares as above	325 245 157	324 297 760
Number of shares that would have been issued for no consideration	2 744 382	2 094 433
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used for dilution	327 989 539	326 392 193

As at 31 March 2025, 854 750 shares (2024: nil shares) are anti-dilutive and were therefore excluded from the weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of diluted earnings per share.

	2025	2024
Earnings per ordinary share (cents)		
Diluted earnings per ordinary share	972,4	928,7
Diluted headline earnings per ordinary share	1 007,1	964,5

# 30. Dividends paid

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Dividends paid during the year	1 183	984

# 31. Cash generated from operations

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Operating profit before finance costs	6 208	5 945
Adjustments for:		
Interest income – sundry	(146)	(143)
Dividends received	(52)	(57)
Non-cash items	6 395	5 916
Depreciation and amortisation <sup>1</sup>	1 328	1 241
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	4 662	4 432
Share-based payments	150	168
Post-retirement defined benefit medical aid movement	14	13
Employee-related movements	72	(11)
Foreign currency loss (gain)	35	(60)
Put option liability movement	_	(5)
Fair value adjustment	(13)	5
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	53	104
Reversal of impairment of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	(7)	(1)
Profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	(4)	(1)
Impairment of right-of-use assets	52	45
Impairment of goodwill and brands	63	16
Profit on termination of leases	(10)	(26)
Gain on bargain purchase	_	(4)
Operating profit before working capital changes	12 405	11 661
Changes in working capital		
Inventory	(2 267)	1 723
Trade and other receivables	(826)	(627)
Trade and other payables	332	(218)
	(2 761)	878
Cash generated from operations	9 644	12 539

<sup>1.</sup> Depreciation and amortisation includes the portion of the expense allocated to cost of sales of R58m (2024: R40m).

# 32. Taxation paid

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Balance at beginning of the year	(44)	(127)
Current tax for the year recognised in profit or loss	(1 193)	(1 179)
Foreign exchange movements	1	8
Prior-year adjustment	37	(17)
Additions through business combinations	(24)	_
Balance at end of the year	201	44
	(1 022)	(1 271)

# 33. Corporate transactions

### Saisha's Trading Close Corporation

Effective 1 June 2024, the Group, through its wholly-owned subsidiary Prestige Clothing Proprietary Limited acquired all of the design, manufacturing and assembly machinery, plant and equipment, employees and assumed employee related liabilities of Saisha's Trading Close Corporation for a total purchase price of R12 million (Deferred consideration of R6 million).

### 33. Corporate transactions (continued)

### White Stuff (UK)

Effective 25 October 2024, the Group acquired through its UK subsidiary, TFG Brands (London) Limited ('TFG London'), 100% of the issued share capital and voting rights of White Stuff, a British fashion and lifestyle retailer. The transaction was funded from TFG's existing banking facilities. The transaction is unconditional in accordance with the terms of the agreements and was for a purchase price of R1,1 billion (a net purchase consideration of R1,0 billion) obtaining control as of the effective date.

White Stuff was founded in 1985 and specialises in unique, thoughtfully designed clothing and accessories for women, men and children. The business has the potential for strong, sustained growth, and the transaction represents a significant milestone in TFG London's medium-term strategy to add new brands to its existing portfolio, which includes Phase Eight, Whistles and Hobbs. The addition of White Stuff to TFG London diversifies and strengthens the existing womenswear portfolio, adding the first lifestyle brand while also bringing a well-established menswear offer.

### Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed

TFG measured the identifiable assets and liabilities of White Stuff at their acquisition-date fair values.

The provisional at-acquisition values are presented below:

	Rm
Non-Current Assets	1 281
Property, plant and equipment and software	250
Intangible assets	518
Right-of-use assets	399
Deferred taxation assets	114
Current Assets	884
Inventory	567
Other receivables and prepayments	89
Concession receivables	139
Cash and cash equivalents	89
Non-Current Liabilities	525
Lease liabilities	407
Deferred taxation liabilities	118
Current Liabilities	895
Trade and other payables	871
Taxation payable	24
Total identifiable net assets at fair value	745
Goodwill arising from acquisition	434
Purchase consideration	1 179
Less: Cash and cash equivalents acquired	(89)
Purchase consideration net of cash and cash equivalents acquired	1 090
Deferred consideration	(52)
Net cash outflow on acquisition	1 038

Goodwill of R434 million and the White Stuff brands of R518 million have been recognised as intangibles at acquisition. Goodwill represents the value paid in excess of the fair value of the identifiable net assets. This consists largely of the value assigned to the unique operating business model and future growth prospects. The goodwill recognised is not tax depreciable or otherwise recognised for tax purposes.

Retail turnover and profit for the five-month trading post acquisition amounted to R1 887 million and R105 million respectively. Once-off acquisition costs of R63 million related to the acquisition have been expensed in the current year.

Had White Stuff had been acquired on 1 April 2024, the retail turnover and earnings before interest and tax would have been R4 283 million and R185 million respectively.

# 34. Changes in liabilities arising from financing activities

		-					
2025 (Rm)	Opening balance	Net cash flows	Additions and modifications	Additions through business combinations	Terminations	Foreign exchange movements	Closing balance
Interest-bearing debt Lease liabilities	8 670 12 139	1 341 (4 414)	- 5 571	- 407	– (188)	23 (152)	10 034 13 363

				Non-cash items			
				Additions	_		
				through		Foreign	
	Opening	Net cash	Additions and	business		exchange	Closing
2024 (Rm)	balance	flows	modifications	combinations	Terminations	movements	balance
Interest-bearing							
debt	11 220	(2 636)	_	_	_	86	8 670
Lease liabilities	10 942	(4 370)	5 764	78	(226)	(49)	12 139

Net cash flows represent the total payments less interest.

### 35. Risk management

#### Overview

The Group has exposure to the following risks from its use of financial instruments:

- Credit risk
- Cash flow and Liquidity risk
- Market risk
- Currency risk

This note presents information about the Group's exposure to each of the above risks and the Group's objectives, policies and processes for measuring and managing risk. Further quantitative disclosures are included throughout these consolidated financial statements.

#### Risk management framework

The Board has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Group's enterprise risk management framework. The Board has delegated oversight over the related processes to the Risk and Audit Committees. The Committees report regularly on their activities to the Board.

The Group's risk management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced by the Group, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits. Risk management policies and systems are reviewed regularly to reflect changes in market conditions and the Group's activities. The Group, through its training and management standards and procedures, aims to develop a disciplined and constructive control environment in which all employees understand their roles and obligations. The Risk Committee reviews the enterprise risk management framework and the related policies and processes regularly.

The Risk and Audit Committees assist the Board in the assessment of the adequacy of the risk management process.

### 35. Risk management (continued)

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Group if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations and arises on trade receivables - retail, other receivables, concession receivables and cash and cash equivalents. The Group does not consider there to be any significant concentration of credit risk in respect of which adequate impairment has not been raised. The Group considers all elements of credit risk exposure such as counterparty default risk, geographical risk and sector risk for risk management purposes.

The table below shows the cash invested at the reporting date at financial institutions grouped per Moody's short term credit rating of the financial institutions.

	National		
Financial institution (Rm)	Rating	2025	2024
FirstRand	P-1	1 710	2 374
Standard Bank	P-1	53	123
ABSA	P-1	210	190
Lloyds	P-1	380	292
Barclays	P-1	180	343
National Australia Bank	P-1	236	203
Commonwealth Bank	P-1	289	_
Other		170	250
		3 228	3 775

#### Trade receivables - retail

The Group does not have any balances past due date which have not been adequately provided for, as the provisioning methodology applied takes the entire trade receivables - retail population into consideration.

The formal governance structures within the Group include the Credit Executive Committee as well as the Financial Services Credit Committee (FSCC). The FSCC is responsible for approving all credit risk related policies and processes and will inform the credit risk appetite within the guidelines specified through the Operating Board mandate, under which the Credit Executive Committee operate. The FSCC is mandated by the Credit Executive Committee to review all credit risk related aspects.

The FSCC is responsible for managing the Group's credit risk by implementing the following measures:

#### Credit granting

The risk arising on trade receivables - retail is managed through a stringent Group policy on the granting, continual review and monitoring of credit facilities. The Group established a credit policy under which each application for a new credit facility is analysed individually for creditworthiness. This process applies information submitted by the applicant and external bureau data (where this is available) to statistical credit scoring models, and includes an assessment of affordability before terms and conditions are offered. A credit facility is established for each customer, which represents the maximum possible exposure to any account holder. The facility is made available to the account holder over time depending on the quality of credit behaviour displayed by the customer. These credit facilities are reviewed annually subject to the requirements of the applicable legislation in the jurisdictions where credit is provided, such as the National Credit Act of South Africa. The scorecards are monitored regularly and redeveloped as appropriate.

Account holders who are more than one cycle delinquent are unable to spend. Depending on the duration of the delinquency, credit limits may be adjusted downwards. Where certain criteria are met, accounts in arrears are rehabilitated to maximise collections and profitability.

The Group does not typically require collateral for lending. However, certain categories of customers may be required to make a deposit with each purchase.

There is a large, diverse and widely distributed customer base. Therefore, the Group does not consider there to be any significant concentration of credit risk.

## 35. Risk management (continued)

#### Credit risk (continued)

#### Allowance for impairment

The IFRS 9 technical committee, which consists of senior management of the credit division within the Group, is mandated by the FSCC to determine adequate allowances in accordance with the Group's stated policies and procedures, IFRS Accounting Standards and relevant supervisory guidance. The policies, procedures and impact of the allowance for impairment are reviewed and approved at the IFRS 9 technical committee. The IFRS 9 technical committee is responsible for developing and maintaining the Group's processes for measuring expected credit losses (ECL) including monitoring of credit risk, incorporation of forward-looking information and the method used to measure ECL. In addition, the IFRS 9 technical committee must ensure that the Group has policies and procedures in place to appropriately maintain and validate models used to assess and measure ECL.

The internal audit function performs regular audits making sure that the established controls and procedures are adequately designed, implemented and adhered to.

#### Incorporation of forward-looking information

The Group uses forward-looking information that is available without undue cost or effort in its measurement of the ECL. Significant judgement and estimates are applied in the process of incorporating forward-looking information into the ECL calculation and increase the level of volatility in the impairment provision number.

The following approach is followed to assess forward-looking information via the IFRS 9 technical committee:

- Use of economic reports and forecasts from a reputable economics consultancy which reflect at least a three-year period from reporting date;
- The principal macro-economic indicators considered are Gross Domestic product (GDP) year-on-year growth, unemployment rates, repurchase interest rates, the inflation rate, fuel price year-on-year growth and the movement of the Transunion Consumer Credit Index.
- The impact of regulatory or legislative changes are considered.
- A "base case" economic scenario is generated from a forecast reflecting macroeconomic conditions which remain consistent to the macroeconomic environment at reporting date;
- An "upside" economic scenario is generated based on a forecast reflecting an improvement in macroeconomic conditions;
- A "downside" economic scenario is generated based on a forecast reflecting a deterioration in macroeconomic conditions;
- Applying credit judgement to the forward-looking model with respect to regulatory, significant economic and legislative changes; and
- Calculating a stress factor for each scenario to estimate the impact on the ECL.

The following key macro-economic conditions were considered to calculate a stress factor as indicated for each scenario:

- "Base case" economic scenario: Subdued gross domestic product growth in South Africa of under 2% per annum for the next two calendar years. The geopolitical uncertainty lingers, with moderate global growth. The Government of National Unity (GNU) persists, but with policy uncertainty and implementation challenges. Inflation moderates, allowing the South African Reserve Bank (SARB) to implement modest reporate cuts, which provide some stimulus to the economy. Ongoing inequality and weak job creation sustain social fragility. Major agencies affirm South Africa's credit ratings. The "base case" economic scenario stress factor is an additional ECL requirement of 8,6% (2024: additional ECL requirement of 10,7%).
- "Upside" economic scenario: Gross domestic product growth in South Africa of over 3% in this calendar year, moderating to under 2% in the following year due to structural bottlenecks. Global trade tensions subside, and cooperation improves. The GNU remains stable and reforms are implemented, resulting in an increase in confidence. Inflation drops quickly and as a result the SARB reduce the repo rate at a faster rate. Improved service delivery by the government and an increase in employment opportunities reduce civil unrest. Major agencies upgrade South Africa's credit ratings. The "Upside" economic scenario stress factor is a reduction of the ECL requirement of 4,2% (2024: reduction of the ECL requirement of 2,7%).
- "Downside" economic scenario: South Africa enters a deep recession from 2025 onwards. Trade wars escalate and the Ukraine war worsens. Rising global tensions disrupt global stability. The GNU collapses resulting in political instability and an increase in populist policies. Inflation spikes and the SARB maintain or hike the reporate. Repeated violent unrest and looting occur, the crime rate increases and this leads to increased emigration. Major agencies downgrade South Africa's credit ratings and junk status intensifies. The "Downside" economic scenario stress factor is an additional ECL requirement of 15,4% (2024: additional ECL requirement of 19,3%).

## 35. Risk management (continued)

#### Credit risk (continued)

#### Incorporation of forward-looking information (continued)

Probabilities are assigned to each macroeconomic scenario to calculate the impact on the ECL. The "base case" economic scenario is considered to be the most plausible scenario and is in line with the assumptions used for the Group's strategic planning and budgeting purposes. The probability weighting assigned to each scenario in the current financial year were as follows: weightings of 80%, 6% and 14% were assigned to the "base case", "upside" and "downside" economic scenarios respectively (2024: weightings of 77%, 5% and 18%).

#### Credit quality

The Group monitors credit risk per class of financial instrument. The table below outlines the classes identified, as well as the financial statement line item and the note that provides an analysis of the items included in the financial statement line for each class of financial instrument.

Class of financial instrument	Financial statement caption	Note
Trade receivables – retail accounts	Trade receivables - retail	9

#### Geographical segments

Credit on trade receivables - retail accounts are offered only in the TFG Africa geographical segment. Credit is offered in South Africa, Namibia, Botswana, Eswatini and Lesotho. The exposures to credit individually and collectively in the jurisdictions of Namibia, Botswana, Eswatini and Lesotho are insignificant from a Group perspective.

#### Risk profile

The risk profile of the active trade receivables - retail book based on the TFG provision matrix is as follows at 31 March:

2025 (Rm)	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Gross trade receivables – retail	6 046	3 044	1 797	10 887
Allowance for expected credit loss	(535)	(729)	(687)	(1 951)
Net trade receivables – retail	5 511	2 315	1 110	8 936
Allowance for expected credit loss as a percentage of gross trade receivables – retail	8,8%	23,9%	38,2%	17,9%
2024 (Rm)	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Gross trade receivables – retail	5 464	2 930	1 848	10 242
Allowance for expected credit loss	(481)	(689)	(747)	(1 917)
Net Trade receivables – retail	4 983	2 241	1 101	8 325
Allowance for expected credit loss as a percentage of gross trade receivables – retail	8,8%	23,5%	40,4%	18,7%

Trade receivables - retail partially written off during the year included in gross trade receivables – retail amounted to R456 million (2024: R423 million) and is classified as Stage 3.

#### Write-off policy

The Group manages the ageing of its trade receivables book on both a contractual and recency basis, but uses the recency basis to calculate write-off. Recency refers to the number of payment cycles that elapsed since the last qualifying payment was received.

The Group writes off its trade receivables when it has no reasonable expectations of recovering the trade receivable in its entirety, or a portion thereof. A write-off constitutes a derecognition event.

Trade receivables – retail are written off where the trade receivables – retail account customer has not made a qualifying payment for 6 months. The Group utilises both an in-house collection department and external collection specialists in an effort to recover outstanding amounts.

## 35. Risk management (continued)

#### Credit risk (continued)

Reconciliation of net trade receivables – retail:

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Gross Trade receivables – retail	10 887	10 242
Allowance for expected credit loss	(1 951)	(1 917)
Net Trade receivables – retail	8 936	8 325

Movement in the trade receivables – retail allowance for impairment were as follows:

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Opening balance as at 1 April	1 917	1 935
Movement in allowance for impairment	34	(18)
Provision raised	1 379	1 319
Provision utilised	(1 345)	(1 337)
Balance as at 31 March	1 951	1 917
Net bad debt consists of :	(4 224)	(4.220)
Expected credit losses raised	(1 324)	(1 329)
Other net bad debt and stage 3 interest adjustment	(64)	(65)
	(1 388)	(1 394)

#### Reconciliation of allowance for impairment:

2025 (Rm)	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
ECL allowance as at 1 April 2024	481	689	747	1 917
Credit advanced, net of payments received	281	84	44	409
Accounts written-off	-	(11)	(1 334)	(1 345)
Change in credit risk parameters	(227)	(33)	1 230	970
ECL allowance as at 31 March 2025	535	729	687	1 951

2024 (Rm)	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
ECL allowance as at 1 April 2023	521	688	726	1 935
Credit advanced, net of payments received	192	97	35	324
Accounts written-off	_	(10)	(1 327)	(1 337)
Change in credit risk parameters	(232)	(86)	1 313	995
ECL allowance as at 31 March 2024	481	689	747	1 917

Active customers that have made a qualifying payment within the last 30 days make up 78,9% of the trade receivables – retail book (2024: 77,9%).

Trade receivables – retail with a contractual amount of R1 475 million (2024: R1 473 million) written-off during the year are still subject to enforcement activity.

Accounts written off refer to adjustments in roll-forward rates and the Group's expectations regarding the portion of assets that will ultimately be written off over their lifetime. Change in credit risk parameters encompass modifications in risk classifications (such as delinquency stages and behavioural scores within model segmentation), recovery assumptions, discount rates, and economic adjustments.

## 35. Risk management (continued)

#### Credit risk (continued)

The table below reconciles the opening and closing balances of the gross carrying amount of financial assets that contribute to the provision.

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Gross trade receivables – retail as at 1 April	10 242	9 681
Credit advanced, fees and interest billed	16 398	15 401
Payments received	(13 540)	(12 606)
Accounts written-off	(2 228)	(2 245)
Stage transfers and other	15	11
Gross trade receivables – retail as at 31 March	10 887	10 242

#### Concession receivables

Class of financial instrument	Financial statement caption	Note
Concession receivables	Concession receivables	11

Concession receivables relates to balances due from stores located in the United Kingdom, Australia and internationally, where concessions are in place.

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Concentration by region		
United Kingdom	284	175
Australia	24	5
International	111	61
Total	419	241

#### Reconciliation of net concession receivables:

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Gross Concession receivables	446	312
Allowance for impairment	(27)	(71)
Net Concession receivables	419	241

#### Movement in the concession receivables allowance for impairment were as follows:

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Opening balance as at 1 April	(71)	(135)
Acquisition of business combination	(8)	_
Utilisation of provision	38	81
Decrease (increase) in provision	13	(10)
Effect of exchange rate fluctuations	1	(7)
Balance as at 31 March	(27)	(71)

#### Other receivables

The Group actively manages collection of other receivables and provides adequate provision for any long outstanding balances. The Group is not exposed to significant credit risk as there is no significant other receivable by a single counterparty or any balances past due date that have not been adequately provided for.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

The Group limits its exposure to credit risk through dealing with well-established financial institutions with high credit standings, and thus management does not expect any counterparty to fail to meet its obligations.

## 35. Risk management (continued)

#### Exposure

The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each financial asset in the statement of financial position.

In determining the recoverability of trade receivables – retail, the Group considers any changes in credit quality of the receivables up to the reporting date. The concentration of credit risk is limited as the customer base is large and unrelated.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date was:

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Trade receivables – retail	8 936	8 325
Other receivables	747	923
Concession receivables	419	241
Cash and cash equivalents	3 228	3 775
	13 330	13 264

#### Cash flow and liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will encounter difficulty in meeting the obligations associated with its financial liabilities settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. The Group's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure it will always have sufficient cash flow to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Group's reputation.

This risk is managed through cash flow forecasts, the optimisation of daily cash management and by ensuring that adequate borrowing facilities are maintained. In terms of its memorandum of incorporation, the Group's borrowing powers are unlimited.

The Group has external borrowing facilities in each of its three segments. The borrowing facilities attract different covenant requirements, all of which have been met during the financial year.

As at 31 March 2025, these ratios measured as follows:

	Required	Covenant
	covenant	achieved
TFG Africa		
Leverage	< 2.75 times	Yes
Interest cover	>3.5 times	Yes
TFG London		
Leverage	<2.75 times	Yes
Interest cover	>5.0 times	Yes
Capital expenditure must not exceed the budget capital expenditure by	120%	Yes
TFG Australia		
Leverage	<2.0 times	Yes
Fixed charged cover	<1.3 times	Yes

#### Covenant measures

- The leverage ratio (net interest-bearing debt to earnings before interest, income tax, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA)).
- The interest cover ratio (EBITDA divided by gross interest expense).

## 35. Risk management (continued)

#### Cash flow and liquidity risk (continued)

The following are the remaining contractual maturities of financial liabilities at the reporting date. The amounts are gross and undiscounted, and include estimated interest payments and exclude the impact of netting agreements:

	Carrying		Less than 1		More than 2
2025 (Rm)	amount	Cash flows	year	1 - 2 years	years
Non-derivative financial liabilities					
Interest-bearing debt	10 034	11 267	2 812	3 121	5 334
Trade and other payables	8 363	8 363	8 363	_	_
Lease liabilities	13 363	15 471	5 297	4 079	6 095
Contract liabilities	382	191	191	_	_
Derivative financial liabilities					
Forward exchange contracts used for hedging	8	1 891	1 891	_	-
	32 150	37 183	18 554	7 200	11 429

2024 (Rm)	Carrying amount	Cash flows	Less than 1 year	1 - 2 years	More than 2 years
Non-derivative financial liabilities					
Interest-bearing debt	8 670	10 022	2 980	3 159	3 883
Trade and other payables	7 039	7 039	7 039	_	_
Lease liabilities	12 139	13 762	4 457	3 551	5 754
Contract liabilities	366	176	176	_	_
Derivative financial liabilities					
Forward exchange contracts used for hedging	40	2 124	2 124	-	-
	28 254	33 123	16 776	6 710	9 637

Trade and other payables will be settled within payment terms of up to 90 days.

Cash flow figures for trade and other payables removes the impact of FECs and employee-related accruals for liquidity risk disclosure purposes.

## 35. Risk management (continued)

#### Cash flow and liquidity risk (continued)

The following table indicates the periods in which the cash flows associated with derivatives that are cash flow hedges are expected to occur and impact profit or loss:

	Carrying		Less than 1		More than 2
2025 (Rm)	amount	Cash flows	year	1 - 2 years	years
Forward exchange contracts					
Asset	61	1 678	1 678	-	_
Liability	(8)	1 891	1 891	_	_
	53	3 569	3 569	_	_

	Carrying		Less than 1		More than 2
2024 (Rm)	amount	Cash flows	year	1 - 2 years	years
Forward exchange contracts					
Asset	45	1 594	1 594	_	_
Liability	(40)	2 124	2 124	_	_
	5	3 718	3 718	_	_

#### Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as foreign exchange rates, interest rates and equity prices, will affect the Group's profit or loss or the value of its holdings of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return.

The Group uses derivative financial instruments to hedge its exposure to foreign exchange and interest rate risks arising from operational, financing and investment activities. In accordance with its treasury policy, the Group does not hold or issue derivative financial instruments for trading purposes.

#### Currency risk

The Group is exposed to foreign exchange risk. The financial risk activities are governed by appropriate policies and procedures to identify financial risks, measured and managed in accordance with the Group's treasury policy. All derivative activities for risk management purposes are carried out by specialist teams that have the appropriate skills, experience and supervision. It is the Group's policy that no trading in derivatives for speculative purposes may be undertaken.

Currency risk is the risk that the future cash flows of an exposure will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Group's exposure to the risk of changes in foreign exchange rates relates primarily to the Group's operating activities. The Group is exposed to currency risk as operating subsidiaries undertake transactions that are denominated in foreign currencies. These currencies are primarily the Australian Dollar (AUD), British Pound (GBP), Chinese Yuan (CNY) and US Dollar (USD).

The hedging instrument used is forward exchange contracts (FECs). Cash flow hedge accounting is applied to all open FECs. FECs are designated as hedging instruments in cash flow hedges of forecasted transactions and firm commitments. These forecast transactions are used to mitigate the exposure of the variability in cash flows attributable to highly probable forecast transactions and firm commitments to purchase stock denominated in a foreign currency.

There is a direct economic relationship between the hedging instrument and the hedged item. The conclusion is that the changes in fair values of the hedging instrument and the hedged item are moving in opposing directions and the change in fair value of hedging instrument highly offsets the change in fair value of the hedged item. The Group has established a hedge ratio of 1:1 since the notional amount and currency of the hedged item is the same as the notional amount of the foreign currency leg of the hedging instrument. To test the hedge effectiveness, the Group uses a qualitative method.

## 35. Risk management (continued)

#### Currency risk (continued)

The hedge ineffectiveness can arise from:

- Differences in the timing of the cash flows of the hedged instruments.
- The credit risk of the contracting parties differently impacting the fair value movements of the hedging instruments and hedged items.
- The variability of the forecasted amount of cash flows of hedged items and hedging instruments.

The risk of financial loss due to the volatility of the foreign currency transactions arises from:

- Translation exposure the effect of exchange rate movements on the recorded results of a foreign entity.
- Transaction exposure the effect of exchange rate movements on the price of goods and services imported/exported.

The Group manages its currency risk by hedging transactions that are expected to occur within a maximum 12-month period for hedges of highly probable forecasted purchases and firm commitments.

When a derivative is entered into for the purpose of being a hedge, the Group negotiates the terms of the derivative to align to the terms of the hedged exposure in order to ensure that the critical terms are matched. For hedges of highly probable forecast transactions and firm commitments, the derivative covers the period of exposure from the point the cash flows of the transactions are forecasted up to the maturity date of the FEC. Any timing mismatches are addressed under the sources of ineffectiveness.

The Group is holding the following forward exchange contracts that form part of a hedging relationship:

2025 (Rm)	Notional amount	Carrying amount	Average forward rate	Line item in the statement of financial position
Forward exchange contracts CNY/ZAR	872	(7)	2,56	Trade and other payables
Forward exchange contracts USD/AUD	1 679	61	1,59	Other receivables and prepayments
Forward exchange contracts USD/ZAR	1 018	(1)	18,44	Trade and other payables

2024 (Rm)	Notional amount	Carrying amount	Average forward rate	Line item in the statement of financial position
Forward exchange contracts CNY/ZAR	969	(24)	2,62	Trade and other payables
Forward exchange contracts USD/AUD	1 594	45	1,53	Other receivables and prepayments
Forward exchange contracts USD/ZAR	1 155	(16)	18,76	Trade and other payables

#### Reconciliation of cash flow hedge reserve:

2025 (Rm)	Gross D	Deferred tax	Net
Balance as at 1 April 2024	(36)	10	(26)
Transferred into reserve	2 596	(763)	1 833
Utilised	(2 543)	748	(1 795)
Balance as at 31 March 2025	17	(5)	12

## 35. Risk management (continued)

## Currency risk (continued)

2024 (Rm)	Gross	Deferred tax	Net
Balance as at 1 April 2023	108	(32)	76
Transferred into reserve	2 458	(726)	1 732
Utilised	(2 602)	768	(1 834)
Balance as at 31 March 2024	(36)	10	(26)

## Exposure to currency risk

Exposure to currency risk is hedged through the use of forward exchange contracts. As at 31 March, the Group had forward exchange contracts in various currencies to acquire inventory not yet recorded as assets on the statement of financial position.

	Foreign currency	Rand equivalent (at forward cover rate)
2025	000's	Rm
EUR	39	1
CNY	336 470	872
USD	150 818	2 696
		3 569
		Rand
		equivalent (at
	Foreign	forward cover
	currency	rate)
2024	000's	Rm
CNY	361 269	969
USD	147 977	2 749
		3 718

The following significant exchange rates applied during the year:

	Average rate		31 March spot rate	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
AUD	11,91	12,33	11,44	12,29
BWP	1,34	1,39	1,34	1,38
CNY	2,53	2,61	2,53	2,62
EUR	19,58	20,32	19,82	20,37
GBP	23,28	23,55	23,70	23,81
USD	18,24	18,74	18,32	18,88

## 35. Risk management (continued)

#### Sensitivity analysis

The Group is primarily exposed to the Chinese Yuan and US Dollar currencies. The following analysis indicates the Group's sensitivity at year end to the indicated movements in these currencies on financial instruments, assuming that all other variables, in particular interest rates, remain constant. The rates of sensitivity are the rates used when reporting the currency risk to the Board and represent management's assessment of the potential change in foreign currency exchange rates at the reporting date.

A 10% strengthening of the Rand against the following currencies as at 31 March would have increased equity and profit or loss by the amounts shown below.

2025 (Rm)	Profit or loss	Equity
CNY	_	87
USD	-	275
2024 (Rm)	Profit or loss	Equity
CNY	-	95
USD	_	278

A 10% weakening of the Rand against the above currencies as at 31 March would have had the equal but opposite effect on equity and profit or loss to the amounts shown above on the basis that all other variables remain constant.

The methods and assumptions used to calculate the above sensitivity analysis are consistent with the prior year.

#### Foreign cash

The Group has exposure to foreign currency translation risk through cash balances included in the net assets of foreign subsidiaries, in currencies other than the South African Rand. This risk is not hedged. The table below includes only the material foreign currency cash balances held in the Group other than the South African Rand.

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
AUD	530	290
BWP	26	22
CHF	19	23
EUR	88	107
GBP	467	436
NZD	22	41
USD	39	83

## 35. Risk management (continued)

#### Foreign cash (continued)

A 10% strengthening of the Rand against the following currencies as at 31 March would have increased equity and profit or loss by the amounts shown below.

	Profit or loss	Equity
	Rm	Rm
2025		
AUD	_	53
BWP	_	3
CHF	_	2
EUR	_	9
GBP	_	47
NZD	_	2
USD	_	4
2024		
AUD	_	29
BWP	_	2
CHF	_	2
EUR	_	11
GBP	_	44
NZD	_	4
USD		8

A 10% weakening of the Rand against the above currencies as at 31 March would have had the equal but opposite effect on equity and profit or loss to the amounts shown above on the basis that all other variables remain constant.

#### Interest rate risk

The Group is exposed to interest rate risk as it both borrows, provides credit and invests funds. This risk is managed by maintaining an appropriate mix of fixed and floating rate instruments with reputable financial institutions.

There is no interest rate risk on trade payables.

#### Profile

At 31 March, the interest rate profile of the Group's interest-bearing financial instruments was:

	Interest rate	Interest rate at 31 March		amount
	2025	2024	2025	2024
	%	%	Rm	Rm
Financial assets				
Trade receivables – retail (6 months)	-	_	736	681
Trade receivables – retail (12 months)	14,8 – 26,5	15,8 – 28,2	8 200	7 645
Cash and cash equivalents	9,0	9,9	3 228	3 775
			12 164	12 101
Financial liabilities				
Interest-bearing debt	5,7 - 9,0	5,9 – 9,8	10 034	8 670
Lease liabilities	4,8 – 24,8	6,5 – 23,3	13 363	12 139
			23 397	20 809

#### Fair value sensitivity analysis for fixed rate instruments

The Group does not account for any fixed rate financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss, and the Group does not designate derivatives (interest rate swaps) as hedging instruments under a fair value hedge accounting model. Therefore, a change in interest rates as at 31 March would not affect profit or loss.

## 35. Risk management (continued)

#### Cash flow sensitivity analysis for variable rate instruments

An increase (decrease) of 100 basis points in interest rates as at 31 March would have (decreased) increased equity and profit or loss by the amounts shown below. This analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular foreign currency rates, remain constant. The analysis was performed on the same basis for 2024. Variable rate instruments below relate to interest-bearing debt.

	Profit or loss Rm	Equity Rm
31 March 2025		
Variable rate instruments	102	_
Cash flow sensitivity (net)	102	_
	Profit or loss	Equity
	Rm	Rm
31 March 2024		
Variable rate instruments	106	_
Cash flow sensitivity (net)	106	_

#### Capital risk management

The Board's policy is to maintain a strong capital base to maintain investor, creditor and market confidence, to sustain future development of business and to ensure that the Group continues as a going concern. The Group primarily makes use of equity for capital management purposes.

Equity consists of ordinary share capital and retained earnings of the Group. The Board monitors its use of equity, as measured by the return on equity, which the Group defines as profit for the year divided by total average equity. The Board also monitors the level of dividends to shareholders.

The Board seeks to maintain a balance between the higher returns that might be attained with higher levels of borrowings and the advantages and security afforded by a sound capital position.

The Group is well positioned to take advantage of future growth opportunities and the intention is to increase the net debt to equity ratio to a level that supports this objective.

#### Insurance risk

The Group is exposed to insurance risk through its investment in insurance cell captive arrangements. The insurance risk relates to the risk that there will be insufficient capital available to honour the claims made by the policyholders in the insurance cell captive arrangements.

#### In-substance reinsurance arrangements

The Group is the cell owner in cell captive arrangements with an insurer. The short-term and long-term insurance business of the Group's customers are housed in the cell captives, which were purchased by the Group by subscribing for ordinary shares in the cell. The liabilities in the cell captives represent the insurance claims paid or payable to the Group's customers. The assets represent the assets allocated to the cell captives by the insurer. The underwriting management of the cell captives are performed by the insurer for a fee payable by the Group to the insurer.

The risk under any one insurance contract is the possibility that an insured event occurs as well as the uncertainty of the amount of the resulting claim. This risk is random and unpredictable. The frequency and severity of claims can be affected due to unforeseen factors such as patterns of crime, pandemic and employment trends. Insurance claim provisions will generally be settled within one year.

Through the use of a cell captive arrangement, the Group manages its insurance risk by reviewing the underwriting management performed by the insurer. This will include a review of the insurer's methodology for estimating claims and a review of the adequacy of the assets allocated to the cell captives by the insurer. Claims development in the cell captives are also reviewed by the Group.

The Group aims to ensure that sufficient reserves are held within their cells through their cell captive arrangements to cover the liabilities associated with the insurance contracts the cells issue so as to mitigate the risk of having to transfer additional capital into the cell to maintain cell liquidity or capital adequacy requirements. The Group sells credit life insurance products as well as funeral policies too which also adds diversification to the portfolio. No significant concentrations of insurance risk exist.

## 35. Risk management (continued)

#### Insurance risk (continued)

The cell captives are predominantly domiciled in South Africa. The only significant cells in which the Group subscribed for ordinary shares, are the cells managed by Guardrisk Insurance Company Limited and Guardrisk Life Limited.

In determining the value of insurance liabilities, assumptions need to be made regarding future rates of mortality and morbidity, termination rates, expenses and investment performance. The assumptions are assessed annually and are informed by past claims experience and the cell captive insurer's insight and experience. The uncertainty of these rates may result in actual experience being different from that assumed and hence actual cash flows being different from those projected. In the worst case scenario, actual claims and benefits may exceed liabilities. In estimating the provision for claims reported but not yet paid, the notified claims at balance sheet date are reviewed. The sensitivity analysis on net profit after tax should the insurance contract liabilities increase or decrease by 10% is immaterial to the Group's results.

#### Fair value hierarchy of financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit and loss

The table below is an analysis of financial instruments carried at fair value by the valuation method. The different levels have been defined as follows:

- Level 1 Quoted prices (unadjusted) in an active market for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices).
- Level 3 Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Level 1		
Listed investments	223	_
Level 2		
Forward exchange contracts – asset	61	45
Forward exchange contracts – liability	(8)	(40)
Level 3		
Investments	145	138

#### Measurement of fair values:

The following valuation techniques were used for measuring level 1, 2 and level 3 fair values:

#### Listed investments

The fair value is based on the market value of publicly traded shares within an active market.

#### Forward exchange contracts

The fair values are based on authorised financial institution quotes. Similar contracts are traded in an active market and the quotes reflect the actual transactions in similar instruments.

#### Investments

The investment in the insurance arrangement has been valued at its net asset value at the reporting date and approximates fair value.

#### Financial assets and liabilities not measured at fair value

The fair value is not disclosed as the carrying value is a reasonable approximation of the fair value. The amortised cost of trade receivables – retail and concession receivables, which is the carrying value less impairment provision, is based on future expected cash flows to be recovered that are discounted and accordingly a reasonable approximation of their fair value. Interest-bearing debt bears interest at market related rates which is therefore a reasonable approximation of fair value.

## 36. Employee benefits

#### Share incentive schemes

Executive directors and key management personnel of the company participate in its share incentive schemes as documented below:

#### Forfeitable Share Incentive Scheme (FS)

Two forfeitable share (FS) instruments form part of this scheme, namely performance and restricted shares. Performance shares vest after a minimum of three years. Shares lapse after three years if the performance criteria have not been achieved. Restricted shares are issued with the specific objective of improving the retention of key senior talent, while still utilising an instrument that aligns the interests of recipients with that of shareholders. Restricted shares vest after three years, subject to continued employment.

## Share Appreciation Rights Share Scheme (SARs)

In the 2025 financial year, the Group granted share appreciation rights (SARs) to certain eligible participants. The rules of the 2025 scheme provide that, upon fulfilment of certain performance conditions, the SARs may upon request be converted from the 4th anniversary of the grant date. Participants are entitled to receive shares in equal value to the growth in the share price on a defined number of shares between the date of grant and the date of conversion. The entitlement to these shares is subject to Group performance criteria linked to inflation. All rights effectively expire after eight years.

# Share instruments granted and accepted for the financial year ended 31 March 2025

2023			
Granted and accepted date	Vesting date	<b>Grant Price</b>	Shares
01 04 2024	01 04 2027	99,55	5 109
01 05 2024	01 05 2027	99,58	10 042
01 06 2024	01 06 2027	95,00	13 505
30 06 2024	30 06 2028	106,00	1 486 396
01 08 2024	01 08 2027	134,42	8 268
01 09 2024	01 09 2027	144,89	29 734
01 10 2024	01 10 2027	156,21	17 712
01 12 2024	01 12 2027	170,46	14 164
01 01 2025	01 01 2028	142,13	22 549
01 03 2025	01 03 2028	135,83	12 815
Shares granted for the year ended 31 March 2025			1 620 294
2024			
01 04 2023	01 04 2027	92,25	28 083
01 06 2023	01 06 2026	84,58	7 786
30 06 2023	30 06 2026	88,98	591 586
30 06 2023	30 06 2027	88,98	589 269
01 07 2023	01 07 2026	92,00	19 991
01 08 2023	01 08 2026	105,00	2 381
01 10 2023	01 10 2026	99,00	1 000
01 01 2024	01 01 2027	110,15	2 136
01 03 2024	01 03 2027	104,60	6 598
Shares granted for the year ended 31 March 2024			1 248 830

Grant price equates to the strike price.

The fair value of the Share Incentive Scheme is the market price of the shares on grant date. Participants are entitled to dividends, therefore the market price has not been adjusted when determining the fair value.

All shares were granted for nil consideration.

## 36. Employee benefits (continued)

Share instruments granted and accepted for the year ended 31 March

2025

		Fair value of	
Granted and accepted date	Vesting date	SARs issued	Shares
19 12 2024	19 12 2028	63,90	5 500 000

On 19 December 2024, the Group delivered a total of 5 500 000 shares to the Operating Board directors in terms of The Foschini Group Once-off Long Term Incentive Plan.

No SARS were issued in the 2024 financial year.

The Group recognised total expenses of R150 million (2024: R168 million) relating to equity-settled share-based payment transactions.

Number		r of FS
Forfeitable Share Incentive Scheme	2025	2024
FS granted, subject to fulfilment of conditions, as at 1 April	4 353 191	6 397 651
FS granted during the year, subject to fulfilment of conditions	1 620 294	1 248 830
FS forfeited during the year	_	(139 026)
FS forfeited but not sold	(214 143)	(641 237)
FS delivered during the year	(1 292 192)	(2 513 027)
FS granted, subject to fulfilment of conditions, as at 31 March	4 467 150	4 353 191

For the FS delivered during the year, the share price is R123,95 (2024: R95,29) on date of delivery.

Number of S		of SARs
SARs	2025	2024
SARs granted, subject to fulfilment of conditions, as at 1 April	1 134 647	1 134 647
SARs forfeited	(1 134 647)	_
SARs granted during the year subject to fulfilment of conditions	5 500 000	_
SARs granted, subject to fulfilment of conditions, as at 31 March	5 500 000	1 134 647

## 36. Employee benefits (continued)

Forfeitable Share Incentive Scheme vest from the following financial years:

Granted and accepted date	Vesting date	<b>Grant Price</b>	Shares
30 06 2021	30 06 2025	134,00	269 400
05 07 2021	05 07 2025	134,00	325 173
13 12 2021	13 12 2024	120,52	57 850
01 02 2022	01 02 2025	129,65	18 523
01 04 2022	01 04 2025	147,49	19 464
30 06 2022	30 06 2025	119,61	461 260
30 06 2022	30 06 2026	119,61	461 260
07 07 2022	07 07 2025	120,52	8 039
01 09 2022	01 09 2025	128,72	1 253
01 10 2022	01 10 2025	117,09	8 758
01 12 2022	01 12 2025	100,72	5 269
01 04 2023	01 04 2027	92,25	28 083
01 06 2023	01 06 2026	84,58	7 786
30 06 2023	30 06 2026	88,98	574 050
30 06 2023	30 06 2027	88,98	571 732
01 07 2023	01 07 2026	92,00	16 841
01 08 2023	01 08 2026	105,00	2 381
01 10 2023	01 10 2026	99,00	1 000
01 01 2024	01 01 2027	110,15	2 136
01 03 2024	01 03 2027	104,60	6 598
01 04 2024	01 04 2027	99,55	5 109
01 05 2024	01 05 2027	99,58	10 042
01 06 2024	01 06 2027	95,00	13 505
30 06 2024	30 06 2028	106,00	1 486 396
01 08 2024	01 08 2027	134,42	8 268
01 09 2024	01 09 2027	144,89	29 734
01 10 2024	01 10 2027	156,21	17 712
01 12 2024	01 12 2027	170,46	14 164
01 02 2025	01 01 2028	142,13	22 549
01 03 2025	01 03 2028	135,83	12 815
			4 467 150

Upon request, SARs in terms of the scheme may vest from the following financial years:

Granted and accepted date	Vesting date	Fair value of SARs issued	Shares
Granted and accepted date	vesting date	SANS ISSUEU	Silaies
19 12 2024	19 12 2028	63,90	5 500 000

Strike price equates to R152,00.

## 36. Employee benefits (continued)

#### Retirement funds

#### TFG Retirement Fund: Defined contribution plan

TFG Retirement Fund, which is governed by the provisions of the Pension Funds Act No. 24 of 1956, is a defined contribution plan. It provides comprehensive retirement and other benefits for members and their dependants. There is a mandatory contribution of 12% of pensionable pay for employees on a TGP pay structure and this mandatory contribution is paid by the employer for employees on a Salary Plus pay structure. This mandatory contribution includes cover for death, disability and funeral benefits, administration and management costs. With effect from 1 March 2021, members have the choice of a member contribution rate, from 3% to 18% (increasing in increments of 1,5%) of pensionable pay to the Fund.

A valuation of the fund was performed at 31 December 2022 in which the valuator reported that the fund was in a sound financial position. The last statutory valuation was performed as at 31 December 2022.

	Number of members		Employer contributions (Rm)	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
Summary per fund:				
TFG Retirement Fund	21 611	19 190	402	386
Metropolitan Rainmaker Provident Fund (Lesotho)	73	65	1	1
Namflex Pension Fund	411	431	5	5
Sibaya Provident Fund (Swaziland)	114	99	1	2
Alexander Forbes Retirement Fund (Botswana)	259	261	4	4
National Pensions Scheme Authority (NAPSA) of Zambia	181	173	-	2
	22 649	20 219	413	400

The information above is specific to TFG Africa, which refers to our activities on the African continent.

#### TFG London

All UK-based employees are automatically enrolled in the company's defined contribution pension scheme, underwritten by Scottish Widows, subject to certain limited criteria. As a condition of the company contributing to this scheme, employees are required to make additional personal contributions, but can also choose to opt out of the scheme. For certain employees, the company contributes to a separate personal pension scheme selected by the employee instead. GBP1 million (R27 million) was paid in the current year and GBP1 million (R29 million) was paid in the prior year.

#### TFG Australia

For employees, a government mandated 10% of all ordinary time earnings must be paid into a retirement fund nominated by the employee provided the employee meets certain requirements. AUD19 million (R227 million) was paid into superannuation fund in the current year and AUD17 million (R213 million) in the prior year.

#### Medical aid

#### TFG Medical Aid Scheme: Defined contribution plan

The company and its wholly owned subsidiaries operate a medical aid scheme for the benefit of their permanent South African employees. Membership of the scheme is voluntary, except for senior employees. Permanent employees in Lesotho can also apply to the scheme upon meeting certain criteria.

Total membership currently stands at 2 856 (2024: 2 920) principal members.

These costs are charged against income as incurred and amounted to R21 million (2024: R20 million), with employees contributing a further R119 million (2024: R119 million) to the fund.

In respect of the year ended 31 December 2024, the scheme earned risk contributions of R177 millon (2024: R159 million) and reflected a surplus of R10 million (2024: R23 million deficit) after the deduction of all expenses, and before investment income. The scheme had net assets at its year end date totalling R317 million (2024: R279 million).

#### Other defined contribution plans

Permanent employees are able to take up voluntary medical aid scheme membership in the country in which they operate.

#### Post-retirement defined medical aid

Qualifying retired employees are entitled to medical aid benefits, which have been fully provided for (note 18).

#### Other

Group employees and pensioners are entitled to a discount (on selling price) on purchases made at stores within the Group.

#### 37. Directors' remuneration

			Danaian		Other	Doufoumonoo		LTI
	Foos	Remuneration	Pension fund	Dividends	Other benefits	Performance bonus	Total	Vested Value
0005								
2025	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000
Non-executive								
M Lewis	1 695	-	-	_	_	-	1 695	_
Prof F Abrahams	453	-	-	_	_	_	453	_
E Oblowitz	1 434	-	_	-	-	-	1 434	_
N V Simamane	422	-	-	_	-	-	422	-
B L M Makgabo -								
Fiskerstrand	889	-	_	-	_	_	889	_
D Friedland	892	_	-	_	-	_	892	_
R Stein	1 060	-	-	-	-	_	1 060	_
G Davin	1 014	-	-	_	-	_	1 014	-
C Coleman	789	-	-	_	_	-	789	-
J N Potgieter	1 034	-	-	-	-	_	1 034	_
N L Sowazi	486	-	-	-	_	_	486	_
A D Murray	2 309	_	-	_	-	_	2 309	_
Total	12 477	-	-	-	-	-	12 477	-
Executive								
A E Thunström	_	16 064	351	1 076	122	10 859	28 472	12 891
R R Buddle	_	7 491	351	_	58	4 108	12 008	_
Total	_	23 555	702	1 076	180	14 967	40 480	12 891
Total remuneration	12 477	23 555	702	1 076	180	14 967	52 957	12 891

								LTI
			Pension		Other	Performance		Vested
	Fees	Remuneration	fund	Dividends	benefits	bonus	Total	Value
2024	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000
Non-executive								
M Lewis	1 614	_	_	_	_	_	1 614	_
Prof F Abrahams	890	_	_	_	_	_	890	_
E Oblowitz	1 366	_	_	_	_	_	1 366	_
N V Simamane	830	_	_	_	_	_	830	_
B L M Makgabo -							000	
Fiskerstrand	830	_	_	_	_	_	830	_
D Friedland	849	_	_	_	_	_	849	_
R Stein	1 010	_	_	_	_	_	1 010	_
G Davin	966	_	_	_	_	_	966	_
C Coleman	752	_	_	_	_	_	752	_
J N Potgieter	744	_	_	_	_	_	744	_
N L Sowazi	119	_	_	_	_	_	119	_
A D Murray	2 199	_	_	_	_	_	2 199	_
Total	12 169	_	_	_	_	_	12 169	_
Executive								
A E Thunström	_	15 223	377	839	150	7 822	24 411	47 983
B Ntuli	_	5 304	243	348	53	_	5 948	8 640
Total	_	20 527	620	1 187	203	7 822	30 359	56 623
Total remuneration	12 169	20 527	620	1 187	203	7 822	42 528	56 623

Fees only relate to services as non-executive directors and are paid by the Company. The executive directors are paid by The Foschini Retail Group (Pty) Ltd. Other benefits include housing allowance and medical aid subsidy.

Performance bonus included in 2025 remuneration to be paid in FY2026 and accrued in 2025 relate to the performance period ending 31 March 2025. This represents 40% of the Single Incentive with the remaining 60% allocated in Forfeitable Shares based on a 30-day VWAP of R131 to vest in June 2028 subject to an employment condition.

Prof Abrahams and N Simimane resigned from the Board on 5 September 2024.

Mr R R Buddle was appointed as Chief Financial Officer and executive director with effect from 1 April 2024.

In the current year 103 572 shares were granted to A E Thunström based on the closing market price on 27 June 2024 of R124,46 shares vested to A E Thunström.

JN Potgieter was appointed to the Board on 10 July 2023.

NL Sowazi was appointed to the Board on 1 January 2024.

## 38. Related parties

#### Shareholders

An analysis of the principal shareholders of the company is provided in appendix 1. For details of directors' interests, refer to note 13.

#### Subsidiaries

During the year, in the ordinary course of business, certain companies within the Group entered into transactions. These intra-group transactions were eliminated on consolidation.

#### **Directors**

#### Remuneration

Details relating to executive and non-executive directors' remuneration are disclosed in note 37.

#### Interest of directors in contracts

No directors have any interests in contracts that are in contravention of section 75 of the Companies Act of South Africa, No. 71 of 2008. Executive directors are bound by service contracts.

#### Loans to directors

No loans have been made to directors.

#### **Employees**

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Remuneration paid to key management personnel other than the executive directors		
is as follows:		
Short-term employee benefits		
Remuneration	355	340
Performance bonus	152	79
Travel allowance	3	3
Post-employment benefits		
Pension fund	31	29
Other long-term benefits		
Other benefits	3	4
Share-based payments		
Fair value of share instruments granted	106	129
Restraint of trade payments	26	9
Total remuneration	676	593

Refer to note 37 for further disclosure regarding remuneration paid to executive directors of the company.

## 39. Commitments and contingent liabilities

	2025	2024
	Rm	Rm
Capital expenditure		
Capital commitments	386	4

Capital commitments are for purchases of property, plant and equipment.

There are no contingent liabilities.

## 40. Going concern and subsequent events

#### 40.1 Subsequent events

Changes to the Board – Appointment of independent Non-executive Directors:

The Board is pleased to announce the appointments of Mr Gcina Zondi and Ms Bridgitte Backman as independent non-executive directors of the Company with effect from 12 June 2025 and 1 September 2025, respectively.

Changes to the Audit Committee:

With effect from 12 June 2025, Mr Jan Potgieter has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Audit Committee, replacing Mr Eddy Oblowitz who will be stepping down as Chairperson and Member of the Committee.

For changes to other committees, refer to the SENS on 12 June 2025.

No other significant events took place between the year ended 31 March 2025 and date of issue of this report.

#### 40.2 Going concern

The going concern assumption is evaluated based on information available up to the date on which the results are approved for issuance by the Board. The going concern assumption was considered to be appropriate for the preparation of the Group's results for the year ended 31 March 2025 and management is not aware of material uncertainties related to events or circumstances that may cast significant doubt upon the Group's ability to do so. The Group continues to adapt the business as effectively as possible to deal with the dynamic environment within which it operates through various cash and working capital initiatives, and continues to prioritise cost savings initiatives across all operations. In this regard, key considerations included.

The Group continues to demonstrate its operating and financial strengths and agility and is well positioned to navigate through tough economic conditions and stretched consumer wallets in all territories in which we operate. The Group continues to invest in its key strategic initiatives to further strengthen its differentiated business model. It has made progress on its key strategic objectives and its speciality brand business portfolio which remains very well positioned for further organic and inorganic growth. A specific focus will be on maximising the efficiency of our investments, such as the acquisition of White Stuff and enhancing working capital management.

Further, the Group continues to enhance and invest in initiatives such as Bash and local manufacturing which will ultimately contribute to improving the Group's return on capital employed in the longer term.

Management is confident that there is adequate short-term available funding to meet working capital requirements in the normal course of its operations. The Board has assessed the solvency and liquidity of the Group and is satisfied with the Group's ability to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future.

## 41. Accounting standards and interpretations to be adopted in future years

There are standards and interpretations in issue that are not yet effective. These include the following standards and interpretations that are applicable to the Group. These are not expected to have a material impact on future financial statements:

	Effective for periods starting on or after
Amendments to the SASB standards to enhance their international applicability – Amendments to	
SASB standards	1 January 2025
Lack of exchangeability – Amendments to IAS 21	1 January 2025
Amendments to the Classification and Measurement of Financial Instruments – Amendments to IFRS 9	
and IFRS7	1 January 2026
Annual Improvements to IFRS Accounting Standards – Volume 11	1 January 2026
Presentation and Disclosures in Financial Statements – IFRS 18	1 January 2027
Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures – IFRS 19	1 January 2027

## 42. Subsidiary companies

Name of subsidiary	Country of registration	Ownership
Trading subsidiaries		
TFG Retailers Proprietary Limited	Australia	100%
Foschini (Swaziland) Proprietary Limited	Eswatini	100%
Foschini (Lesotho) Proprietary Limited	Lesotho	100%
Fashion Retailers Proprietary Limited	Namibia	100%
Cotton Traders Proprietary Limited	South Africa	100%
Foschini Retail Group Proprietary Limited	South Africa	100%
Prestige Clothing Proprietary Limited	South Africa	100%
Quench Delivery Proprietary Limited	South Africa	100%
Tapestry Home Brands Proprietary Limited	South Africa	100%
TFG Apparel Supply Company Proprietary Limited	South Africa	100%
Dress Holdco A Limited	United Kingdom	100%
Fashion Retailers (Zambia) Limited	Zambia	100%

These companies are material direct subsidiaries of The Foschini Group Limited.

# Appendix 1: Shareholdings of The Foschini Group Limited

## Analysis of shareholdings – ordinary shares

Compiled by the JP Morgan Cazenove utilising the company's transfer secretaries' records as at 31 March 2025.

	Number of	% of total	Number of	% of shares in
Spread analysis	holders	shareholders	shares held	issue
1 – 1 000 shares	10 866	72,8	2 593 396	0,8
1 001 - 10 000 shares	2 924	19,6	8 370 693	2,5
10 001 - 100 000 shares	794	5,3	27 265 781	8,2
100 001 - 1 000 000 shares	291	1,9	77 478 094	23,4
1 000 001 shares and over	55	0,4	215 319 336	65,1
	14 930	100,00	331 027 300	100,0

## **Distribution of shareholdings**

	Number of	% of shares in
Category	shares held	issue
Pension Funds	111 292 401	33,6
Unit Trusts	93 706 523	28,3
Mutual Fund	31 751 391	9,6
Trading Position	17 059 480	5,1
Sovereign Wealth	15 926 032	4,8
Private Investor	14 855 227	4,5
Insurance Companies	11 808 492	3,6
Exchange-Traded Fund	6 214 443	1,9
Corporate Holding	4 219 466	1,3
Hedge Fund	1 309 037	0,4
Medical Aid Scheme	1 245 821	0,4
University	867 568	0,3
Custodians	788 322	0,2
Charity	350 892	0,1
Private Equity	196 373	0,1
American Depository Receipts	183 888	0,1
Foreign Government	44 291	-
Black Economic Empowerment	20 000	-
Other Managed Funds	16 358	-
Local Authority	10 490	_
Remainder	19 160 805	5,7
Total	331 027 300	100,0

## Appendix 1: Shareholdings of The Foschini Group Limited

## Beneficial shareholdings greater than 5%

Beneficial interests - direct and indirect, as per share register and information supplied by nominee companies as at 31 March 2025.

		% of shares in
	Holding	issue
Government Employees Pension Fund (PIC)	64 702 687	19,6

## Fund managers' holdings greater than 5%

According to disclosures made, the following fund managers administered client portfolios which included more than 5% of the company's issued shares.

		% of shares in
	Holding	issue
Government Employees Pension Fund (PIC)	49 233 520	14,9
Ninety One SA (Pty)Ltd	34 310 582	10,4
M&G Investment Managers (Pty) Ltd	27 503 661	8,3
Coronation Asset Management (Pty) Ltd	20 439 698	6,2
Total	131 487 461	39,8

## **Shareholding spread**

Category	Number of holders	% of total shareholders	Number of shares held	% of shares in issue
Public shareholders	14 655	98,1	256 223 017	77,4
Non-public shareholders	275	1,9	74 804 283	22,6
Government Employees Pension Fund (PIC)	12	0,1	64 702 687	19,6
Foschini Stores (Pty) Ltd	1	-	1 080 599	0,3
Foschini Incentive Trust	1	-	1 134 647	0,3
Employees of TFG	251	1,7	4 955 642	1,5
Directors	10	0,1	2 930 708	0,9
Total	14 930	100,0	331 027 300	100,0

## Geographical split of investment managers and company related holdings

Region	Total shareholding	% of shares in issue
South Africa	261 759 562	79,1
United States of America and Canada	46 020 950	13,9
United Kingdom	13 585 394	4,1
Rest of Europe	4 671 302	1,4
Rest of world <sup>1</sup>	4 990 092	1,5
Total	331 027 300	100,0

## Geographical split of beneficial shareholders

Region	Total shareholding	% of shares in issue
South Africa	240 075 974	72,6
United States of America and Canada	46 079 114	13,9
United Kingdom	9 564 569	2,9
Rest of Europe	20 032 226	6,0
Rest of world <sup>1</sup>	15 275 417	4,6
Total	331 027 300	100,0

<sup>1.</sup> Represents all shareholdings except those in the above regions

# Appendix 1: Shareholdings of The Foschini Group Limited

## **Analysis of shareholders – preference shares**

Beneficial shareholdings greater than 5%

Beneficial interests – direct and indirect, as per share register as at 31 March 2025.

	Holding	% of shares in issue
Public shareholder	14 200	7,1
Non-public shareholders	171 759	85,9
Linda Lombard	57 044	28,5
Old Sillery (Pty) Ltd	47 100	23,6
Michael Goulding	35 280	17,6
Angus Macdonald	32 335	16,2
	185 959	93,0

## **Shareholding spread**

Category	No of holders	% of total shareholders	No of shares held	% of shares in issue
Public	15	78,8	28 241	14,1
Non-public shareholders	4	21,2	171 759	85,9
Linda Lombard	1	5,3	57 044	28,5
Old Sillery (Pty) Ltd	1	5,3	47 100	23,6
Michael Goulding	1	5,3	35 280	17,6
Angus Macdonald	1	5,3	32 335	16,2
	19	100,0	200 000	100,0

# Appendix 2: Definitions

Companies Act of South Africa Concessions

Debt-to-equity ratio

EBITDA

Headline earnings

Headline earnings per ordinary share

Omnichannel

Operating profit

Return on capital employed (ROCE)

Same store

**VWAP** 

Companies Act of South Africa, No. 71 of 2008, as amended

In addition to their own stand-alone stores, TFG London have concession arrangements with key department store partners from whom they occupy an agreed floor space area (referred to as "mat") dedicated to their product

Net borrowings expressed as a percentage of total equity

Earnings, excluding acquisition costs, before finance costs and tax Earnings before finance costs, tax, depreciation and amortisation

Net income attributable to ordinary shareholders adjusted for the effect, after tax, of specific adjustments in terms of The South African Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA) - Circular 1/2023

Headline earnings divided by the weighted average number of shares in issue for the year

Describes the integrated multi-channel retailing (e-commerce, online sales, mobile app sales)

Profit earned from normal business operations

Earnings before interest and tax (EBIT)/capital employed

Stores that traded out of the same trading area for the full current and previous

financial years

Volume weighted average price

# Company information

**Executive directors:** A E Thunström, R R Buddle

Non-executive directors: M Lewis (Chairman), C Coleman, G H Davin, D Friedland,

B L M Makgabo-Fiskerstrand, A D Murray, E Oblowitz, J N Potgieter,

N L Sowazi, R Stein, G Zondi

Company Secretary: D van Rooyen

Registered office: Stanley Lewis Centre, 340 Voortrekker Road, Parow East, 7500, South Africa

**Registration number:** 1937/009504/06

**LEI number:** 3789PTO7LG718IG59F97

**Tax reference number:** 9925/133/71/3P

JSE / A2X share code: TFG
Ordinary share code: TFG

**ISIN:** ZAE000148466

**Preference share code:** TFGP

**ISIN:** ZAE000148516

**Transfer secretaries:** Computershare Investor Services Proprietary Limited

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