

## NOTES TO THE CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2023

### 11. Business Combinations (continued)

None of the business combinations completed during the period were considered sufficiently material to warrant separate disclosure of the fair values attributable to those combinations. The carrying amounts of the assets and liabilities acquired, determined in accordance with IFRS, before completion of the combination together with the adjustments made to those carrying values disclosed above were as follows:

<b>Total</b>	<b>Book value £'000</b>	<b>Fair value adjustments £'000</b>	<b>Fair value £'000</b>
Non-current assets (excluding goodwill)	31,696	133,086	164,782
Current assets	99,625	(9,536)	90,089
Non-current liabilities	(4,195)	(38,011)	(42,206)
Current liabilities	(75,941)	(2,172)	(78,113)
Identifiable net assets acquired	51,185	83,367	134,552
Non-controlling interest arising on acquisition	(166)	–	(166)
Goodwill arising on acquisition	314,121	(83,367)	230,754
<b>Total consideration</b>	<b>365,140</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>365,140</b>

The initial assignment of fair values to identifiable net assets acquired has been performed on a provisional basis in respect of a number of the business combinations above given the timing of closure of these transactions. Any amendments to fair values within the twelve-month timeframe from the date of acquisition will be disclosable in the 2024 Annual Report as stipulated by IFRS 3.

The principal factors contributing to the recognition of goodwill on business combinations entered into by the Group are the expected profitability of the acquired business and the realisation of cost savings and synergies with existing Group entities.

None of the goodwill recognised in respect of acquisitions completed during the financial year is expected to be deductible for tax purposes.

Acquisition related costs included in other operating expenses in the Group Income Statement amounted to £10.604 million.

No contingent liabilities were recognised on the acquisitions completed during the year or the prior financial years.