



NG Bailey

Section 172 statement **Subsidiary reporting**

For the period from 26 February
2022 to 3 March 2023

Subsidiary reporting including section 172 statements

In accordance with the Companies Act 2006, the following subsidiaries of NG Bailey Group Limited are required to prepare a statement in the strategic report of their financial statements which describes how the directors have regard to the matters set out in section 172(1) (a) to (f) when performing their duties as a director under section 172 of the Companies Act 2006 (commonly known as a “section 172 statement”):

- NG Bailey Limited
- The Freedom Group of Companies Ltd.
- NG Bailey Facilities Services Limited
- NG Bailey IT Services Limited

The section 172 statement must be made available on a website. As the companies are under common control and management, the section 172 statement is identical across the subsidiaries and has been included below.

Section 172, Companies Act 2006

In line with Section 172 of the Companies Act 2006, the Board's priority is to ensure that the Directors have acted both individually and collectively in a way that they consider, in good faith, would be most likely to promote the success of the Company for the benefit of its members as a whole with regard to all its stakeholders and maintaining a reputation for high standards of business conduct. In carrying out this duty during the period, the Directors have had regard for, amongst other matters, the areas set out in the table below.

The Company is part of the NG Bailey Group and the Directors are also directors of the ultimate parent company, NG Bailey Group Limited. Consequently, much of this reflects group-wide governance and activity and further information can be found within the NG Bailey Group Limited financial statements.

Area of consideration	Demonstrated by
Reputation of the business	The NG Bailey Group has a proud heritage and a proven track record of achievement for more than 100 years. We are a business founded on our values of Passion, Integrity, Responsibility and Excellence which guide the Company's strategy, decisions, processes and culture. The Board believes that in order to continue achieving our goals, the Company must protect its reputation and relationships with its stakeholders through robust governance on a day-to-day basis.
Our shareholders and wider family	The Company is a subsidiary and is part of the family-owned NG Bailey Group. The family have established their Guiding Principles which aim to capture their long-term aspirations for the business including leadership excellence, being an employer of choice and acting as a responsible business. The Directors seek to align the Company's strategic direction with these Guiding Principles. An understanding of the NG Bailey Group shareholders' goals and priorities is gathered from a programme of communications with the shareholders and wider family.



Area of consideration Demonstrated by

Impact on communities and the environment



We recognise that our responsibilities extend beyond our immediate operations, and we are committed to being a good neighbour in our local communities and minimising our impact on the environment. We have established communication channels with communities to listen to their views and we support our employees and customers in charitable and volunteering efforts and community projects.

The Group's responsibility strategy 'Net Positive' supports our long-term goal of doing business in a way that we put more into society, the environment and the global economy than we take out. We are proud to report that NG Bailey Group's science-based targets have been approved by the Science-Based Targets initiative (SBTi) during the period, supporting our ambitions to limit our climate change impact.

Strategy and long-term impact



The Directors of the Company, by virtue of their positions on the NG Bailey Group Limited Board, consider the likely consequences of their decisions on the success and long-term stability of the Company. Annually, the Group Board approves the Company's strategy and monitors its implementation throughout the period. This is facilitated by the Group Board's agenda of standing items which includes health and safety, financial performance, operational and people matters, risks and opportunities, market conditions and sustainability. The Group Board and its Committees oversee the Group's comprehensive risk management framework and its application with the Company.

Relationships with employees



The Directors recognise that attracting, retaining and developing people is key to its long-term success. The Company aims to be an employer of choice through market-competitive remuneration, training and development and fostering an inclusive culture through our 'Fairness, Inclusion and Respect' programme. We engage through team briefings, regular CEO briefings and our business update videos. Feedback is gathered through regular 'Pulse' surveys and acted upon. We recognise that the cost-of-living crisis has impacted everyone's day-to-day lives and we have introduced several initiatives to help support our people including launching our new employee discount scheme and a hardship fund, along with a tiered pay rise which awarded lower paid staff a higher uplift.

Relationships with suppliers



Our supply chain partners play a key role in the Company's long-term stability and success. We follow a Customer of Choice strategy in order to manage our supply chain in a responsible and sustainable way and forge close and effective supplier relationships. We recognise the importance of paying the supply chain on time. During the period, we have invested in our electronic procurement platform, improving the speed, accuracy and supplier experience of e-invoicing and supplier onboarding and integration.

Relationships with customers



We listen to feedback from customers through our regular customer engagement surveys to identify improvements and retain our industry-leading reputation. This helps us build strong relationships with customers to support the long-term success of the Company. We have recently undertaken a Group-wide Net Promoter Score (NPS) survey with excellent feedback from our customers. Customer retention rates remain high across all our sectors.



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