

# Financial Update

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- Annual Report and Accounts 2024
- Other finance team activities
- Update on current financial position





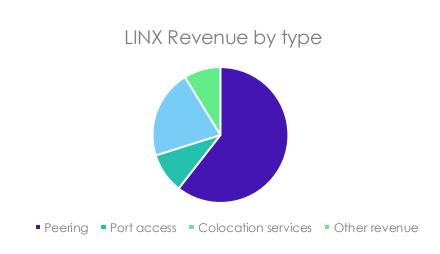
- Excellent progress against plan
- Continued investment in improving efficiency
- LINX remains in strong financial position
  - High % recurring revenue
  - Positive operating cash flow
  - Excellent reserves
- Other analysis:
  - Revenue
  - Operating Costs and Net Result
  - Capital Expenditure
  - Cashflow and Reserves





#### Revenue

- Connected capacity +17%
  - Slower migration to 400GE offset by higher 100GE
  - Variance to budget -1.5%
- Growth in revenue to £21.8m (2023: £19.0m)
  - Total revenue +14%
  - Core membership/peering +9%
  - Colocation services + 30%
- High gross margin maintained of 72%









#### Operating Costs

- Total costs close to budget, while investing in overseas operations
- SG&A over budget by 3% due to:
  - one-off items
  - investments in security, compliance, and automation

#### Group deficit:

- before tax is £0.1m
- after tax is £0.2m







- Capital Expenditure £2.2m
  - Lower than the prior year of £3.0m
  - Lower than budget of £3.2m
- Investments included:
  - LON1 refresh
  - Overseas expansions
  - Software development and automation
  - Deployed more efficient equipment
  - Created more power efficient capacity





- Cashflow and Reserves
- Positive operating cash flow of £1.7m (although lower than prior year)
- Change in presentation of deposits in accounts
- Managed funds in line with treasury policy







| Statement of Income and Retained Earnings | <b>2024</b><br>(£000) | <b>2023</b> (£000) |
|---|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Turnover                                  | 21,798                | 19,043             |
| Cost of sales                             | (6,114)               | (5,407)            |
| Gross margin                              | 15,684                | 13,636             |
| Gross margin %                            | 72%                   | 72%                |
| 0. 66                                     | (2.112)               | (7.040)            |
| Staff costs                               | (8,669)               | (7,218)            |
| Operating lease rentals                   | (491)                 | (468)              |
| Other administration costs                | (4,355)               | (3,693)            |
| EBITDA                                    | 2,169                 | 2,257              |
| Depreciation/amortisation of fixed assets | (2,574)               | (2,231)            |
| Operating (deficit)/surplus               | (405)                 | 26                 |
| Net interest receivable                   | 292                   | 263                |
| (Deficit)/surplus before taxation         | (113)                 | 289                |
| Tax on (deficit)/surplus                  | (117)                 | (154)              |
| (Deficit)/surplus after taxation          | (230)                 | 135                |
| Currency translation differences          | (43)                  | 45                 |
| Total comprehensive income                | (273)                 | 180                |





| Balance Sheet                  | <b>2024</b><br>(£000) | <b>2023</b><br>(£000) |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Fixed assets                   |                       |                       |
| Intangible assets              | 357                   | -                     |
| Tangible assets                | 4,594                 | 5,344                 |
| Investments                    | 102                   | 103                   |
| Total fixed assets             | 5,053                 | 5,447                 |
| Current assets                 |                       |                       |
| Trade and other debtors        | 1,055                 | 1,454                 |
| Prepayments and accrued income | 3,427                 | 2,804                 |
| Investments                    | 4,500                 | 5,000                 |
| Cash at bank                   | 5,011                 | 4,823                 |
| Total current assets           | 13,993                | 14,081                |
| Current liabilities            |                       |                       |
| Trade and other creditors      | (2,047)               | (2,606)               |
| Taxation and related creditors | (396)                 | (97)                  |
| Accruals and deferred income   | (1,903)               | (1,852)               |
| Total current liabilities      | (4,346)               | (4,555)               |
| Net current assets             | 9,647                 | 9,526                 |
| Net assets and members' funds  | 14,700                | 14,973                |





#### Other finance team activities in 2024

- New auditors RSM
- Revised treasury policy with clearer guidance on:
  - Management of treasury operations and financial risks
  - Minimum required level of reserves
- Overseas operations
  - Banking
  - FX management
  - Tax





#### **Update on Current Trading**

- Good start to year with modest revenue growth
- Cash and deposits are in line with budget
- Further update to be provided in November



