Independent Assurance report to Burberry Management

We have performed a limited assurance engagement on selected performance data and statements presented in the Responsibility section of the Burberry plc 2016-17 Annual Report & Accounts and on burberryplc.com (“the Report”)

Respective responsibilities

Burberry management is responsible for the collection and presentation of the information within the Report. Burberry management is also responsible for the design implementation and maintenance of internal controls relevant to the preparation of the Report, so that it is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Our responsibility, in accordance with our engagement terms with Burberry management, is to carry out a ‘limited level’ assurance engagement on selected data and performance claims in the Report (“the subject matter information”). We do not accept or assume any responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person or organisation. Any reliance any such third party may place on the Report is entirely at its own risk.

Our assurance engagement has been planned and performed in accordance with the International Standard for Assurance Engagements (ISAE) 3000 Revised, Assurance Engagements Other Than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information. The criteria we have used to evaluate the selected data (“the Criteria”) are set out in the Report and Burberry’s Basis of Reporting document.

Summary of work performed

The procedures we performed were based on our professional judgement and included the activities below.

1. Procedures relating to the selected data outlined in the table below:
   • Interviewed a selection of Burberry’s management and reviewed documentation to understand performance in relation to the selected data.
   • Interviewed a selection of ‘data owners’ responsible for managing, collating, and reviewing data.
   • Reviewed and challenged supporting evidence from a sample of site data.
   • Reviewed any explanations provided for significant variances.
   • Tested whether the data has been collected, consolidated and reported correctly at Group level.
   • Reviewed the Report and Basis of Reporting document for the appropriate presentation of the data and including descriptions of limitations and assumptions.

   | Ethical Trading | • Number of audits and assessments
   |                | • Audit programme results
   |                | • Number of training and engagement activities
   |                | • Number of workers and factories who have access to confidential hotlines

   | Greenhouse gas reporting | • Global greenhouse gas emissions data (Kg CO2e per £1000 sales revenue)
   |                         | • Direct greenhouse gas emissions from fuel combustion and the operation of Burberry facilities (KgCO2e)
   |                         | • Indirect greenhouse gas emissions from the purchase of electricity, heat, steam, and cooling, using both location and market-based methodologies (KgCO2e)
   |                         | • Water consumption and waste output from selected UK sites

2. Procedures related to selected environmental targets:
   • Interviewed a selection of Burberry’s management and reviewed supporting evidence in relation to progress made against the targets.
   • Reviewed the Report and Basis of Reporting document for the appropriate presentation of reported performance against the targets.

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1 The selected performance data and statements in the Report are indicated by a * symbol and defined by Burberry in its Basis of Reporting document available at www.burberryplc.com. The reporting period is 1st April 2016 – 31st March 2017.
Limitations of our review

Our evidence gathering procedures were designed to obtain a 'limited level' of assurance (as set out in ISAE3000 Revised) on which to base our conclusions. The extent of evidence gathering procedures performed is less than that of a reasonable assurance engagement (such as a financial audit) and therefore a lower level of assurance is provided.

Completion of our testing activities has involved placing reliance on the Group’s controls for managing and reporting the selected information, with the degree of reliance informed by the results of our review of the effectiveness of these controls. We have not sought to review systems and controls at the Group beyond those used for the selected data.

We have only sought evidence to support the 2016-17 performance data. We do not provide conclusions on any other data from prior years.

Our conclusions

Based on the scope of our review our conclusions are outlined below.

How plausible are Burberry’s assertions in relation to progress against its environmental targets?

- We have reviewed supporting evidence in relation to Burberry’s progress against selected environmental targets and are not aware of any misstatements in the assertions made.

How complete and accurate is the selected data presented in the Report (outlined above in the “Summary of work performed”)?

- With the exception of the limitations identified in the Report, we are not aware of any material reporting units (as defined by Burberry) that have been excluded from the Group level data relating to the topics above.
- Nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the data relating to the above topics has not been collated properly at Group level.
- We are not aware of any errors that would materially affect the data as presented in the Report.

Observations and areas for improvement

Our observations and areas for improvement will be raised in a report to Burberry management. The observation provided below does not affect our conclusions on the Report set out in this statement.

- Burberry has used the Greenhouse Gas Protocol’s “market based approach” to reporting scope 2 CO₂ emissions for the first time in 2016-17. To enable this, it has taken steps to determine whether renewable electricity sourced from its suppliers meets the Greenhouse Gas Protocol’s quality criteria. We have observed that the quality of the information provided by its suppliers varies, and therefore recommend that Burberry takes steps to improve the consistency of information available on its tariffs.

Our independence and competence

With the exception of this work, we have provided no other services relating to Burberry’s approach to Responsibility throughout 2016-17.

We have implemented measures to ensure that we are in compliance with the applicable independence and professional competence rules as articulated by the IFAC Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants and ISQC1. Our assurance team has been drawn from our UK Climate Change and Sustainability Services team, which undertakes engagements similar to this with a number of significant UK and international businesses.

Ernst & Young LLP

London, 6th June 2017

\(^2\) Parts A and B of the IESBA Code; and the International Standard on Quality Control 1 (ISQC1)