

5. Earnings per share

The calculation of the basic and diluted earnings per share is based on the following data:

| Year ended 31 Dec 2011 £m | | Half year to 30 June 2012 £m | Half year to 30 June 2011 £m |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Earnings | | | |
| 55.8 | Earnings for the purpose of basic earnings per share being net profit attributable to equity holders of the parent | 32.5 | 29.6 |
| Number of shares | | | |
| Number | | Number | Number |
| 185,838,882 | Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purposes of basic earnings per share | 188,429,110 | 185,499,794 |
| Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares: | | | |
| 3,780,964 | Share options | 55,696 | 188,155 |
| 189,619,846 | Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purposes of diluted earnings per share | 188,484,806 | 185,687,949 |
| Earnings per share | | | |
| Pence | | Pence | Pence |
| 30.0 | Basic | 17.2 | 16.0 |
| 29.4 | Diluted | 17.2 | 15.9 |
| Headline earnings | | | |
| £m | | £m | £m |
| 55.8 | Net profit attributable to equity holders of the parent | 32.5 | 29.6 |
| Add back: | | | |
| 4.2 | Impairment charge | – | – |
| 0.8 | Amortisation of acquired intangible fixed assets (net of tax) | 0.7 | 0.5 |
| – | Acquisition costs | 1.2 | – |
| 60.8 | Headline earnings | 34.4 | 30.1 |
| Headline earnings per share | | | |
| Pence | | Pence | Pence |
| 32.7 | Basic | 18.3 | 16.2 |
| 32.1 | Diluted | 18.3 | 16.2 |