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2(e)	<p>It increases the value of non-current assets in the statement of financial position. (1)  It increases/creates the revaluation reserve in the statement of financial position. (1)  It reduces the accumulated depreciation. (1)  It is recorded in the statement of changes in equity. (1)  <b>Max 3</b></p>	3

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3(a)(i)	<p>Stewardship is the responsibility which managers/directors have for the management of resources (1) within a business on behalf of the owners/shareholders. (1)</p>	2
3(a)(ii)	<p>The directors have responsibility as stewards of the company to report (1) at the AGM (1) to the shareholders on the performance of the company. (1) To maintain proper accounting records. (1) Responsible for the preparation of financial statements. (1) Manage the business on a day to day basis. (1) Safeguard the assets. (1)  <b>Max 2</b></p>	2
3(a)(iii)	<p>External auditors are appointed by the shareholders to carry out an audit, which is a systematic and independent examination (1) of books, accounts, documents and vouchers of an organization, (1) to ascertain how far the financial statements present a true and fair view of the business (1) and comply with IAS/Companies Acts. (1) To prepare an audit report expressing an opinion. (1)  <b>Max 2</b></p>	2

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3(d)	<p>Reasons for closing inventory to be different than as per records:  Inventory has been stolen/damaged <b>(1)</b> due to little control. <b>(1)</b>  Inventory is obsolete, <b>(1)</b> so has no value in reality but might in the inventory records. <b>(1)</b> Sales have been omitted in the records, <b>(1)</b> i.e. Inventory has been sent out on consignment or a sale or return basis, so not yet sold. <b>(1)</b>  Purchases of inventory have been recorded twice, <b>(1)</b> or not all inventory was counted. <b>(1)</b> Sales returns were amended in the records <b>(1)</b> but the purchases returns were not. <b>(1)</b>  <b>2 marks × Max 3 points</b> (1 mark for stating and 1 mark for developing)</p>	<b>6</b>																																												
3(e)	<p>If book value is used, profit and current assets would be overstated <b>(1OF)</b> which is against the prudence concept <b>(1)</b> and does not give a true and fair view. <b>(1)</b> Inventory should be recorded at the lower of cost and net realisable value, <b>(1)</b> in line with IAS2 <b>(1)</b>. Therefore the warehouse inventory valuation should be used. <b>(1)</b>  1 for decision + max 3 for comments</p>	<b>4</b>																																												

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4(a)(i)(ii) (iii)(iv)	Income gearing Gearing ratio Dividend cover Price earnings ratio*	235 000 / 1 580 000 or 234 800 / 1 580 000 2 935 000 / (2 935 000 + 4 540 000) 1 345 000 / 325 000	14.87% 14.86% 39.26% 4.14 times 3.44(times)	<b>(1)</b> <b>(1)</b> <b>(1)</b> <b>(2)</b>	<b>5</b>
*EPS = 1345/3000 = 0.45 <b>(1)</b> PE ratio = 1.55 / 0.45 = 3.44 <b>(1OF)</b>					
4(b)(i)	Profit from operations Finance costs (200 000 + 235 000) Profit for the year	\$000 1600 (435) <u>1165</u>	<b>(1)</b> <b>(1) OF</b>	<b>2</b>	
4(b)(ii)	Equity and liabilities Ordinary share capital Share premium Retained earnings Total equity  Non-current liabilities 8% debentures 2020 10% debentures 2026	\$000 1500 500 <u>3430</u> <u>5430</u>  2935 <u>2000</u> 4935	<b>(1)</b> <b>} (1) both</b>	<b>2</b>	
*Retained earnings = 2 540 000 + (1 600 000 – [435 000 + 275 000]) = 3 430 000 or (2 540 000 + 1 165 000 – 275 000) = 3 430 000					
4(c)(i)	Income gearing Gearing ratio Dividend cover Price earnings ratio	27.19% 27.18% 47.61% 4.24 times 3.33 times	<b>(1 OF)</b> <b>(1 OF)</b> <b>(1 OF)</b> <b>(1 OF)</b>	Workings 435 000 / 1 600 000 or 434 800 / 1 600 000 4 935 000 / 10 365 000 1 165 000 / 275 000 1 165 000 / 3 000 000 = 0.39 1.30 / 0.39 = 3.33	<b>4</b>

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4(c)(ii)	<p>Income gearing has increased <b>(1)</b> significantly from 2016 because of extra interest payable on debentures. This is worse <b>(1)</b> for a shareholder. This will reduce profit available to equity holders and therefore also impact other investment ratios. <b>(1)</b> <b>(Max 2)</b></p> <p>The gearing ratio has also increased <b>(1)</b> because of the debenture issue being a greater increase than the increase in retained earnings. <b>(1)</b> This increases the risk <b>(1)</b> of the company because of the need to pay interest and repay debt. <b>(1)</b> <b>(Max 2)</b></p> <p>Dividend cover has stayed reasonably stable/increased <b>(1)</b> over the two years – as the profit available for distribution has decreased <b>(1)</b>, so have the dividends. <b>(Max 2)</b></p> <p>The price earnings ratio has decreased <b>(1)</b>. This is also a reflection of the market price of a share and the risk attached to it, depending on the market confidence. <b>(1)</b> <b>(Max 2)</b></p>	8
4(d)	<p>The issue of the debentures had an adverse <b>(1)</b> effect on the income gearing and gearing ratios. The company is now seen to be more risky. <b>(1)</b> The company may be perceived as being less attractive to investors. <b>(1)</b></p> <p>The company has had to pay additional finance costs. <b>(1)</b> This has reduced profits available to distribute to shareholders. <b>(1)</b> This may have a negative effect on its liquidity. <b>(1)</b></p> <p>The company has a significant repayment commitment <b>(1)</b> and annual interest payment, <b>(1)</b> for which the directors need to plan if profits fall. <b>(1)</b></p> <p>Debentures may be secured on the assets of the company <b>(1)</b> which may mean the asset is sold to repay it, if necessary. <b>(1)</b></p> <p>1 for comment + 1 for development</p> <p><b>2 marks × Max 2 points</b> (1 mark for stating and 1 mark for developing)</p>	4

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