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GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:

Marks awarded are always **whole marks** (not half marks, or other fractions).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:

Marks must be awarded **positively**:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:

Rules must be applied consistently e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

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1(f)	Responses could include: Advertising campaign May raise public perception (1) May increase sales of the business (1) Would incur costs (1) Reducing inventory levels Would lead to an increase in the rate of inventory turnover (1) Would reduce the risk of obsolete/damaged inventory (1) Would reduce customer choice/danger of not being able to fulfil orders (1) Award up to 2 marks for justification on each course of action and 1 mark for a decision. Accept other valid responses.	5

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2(a)	M Limited					6
	Statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 August 2017					
		Ordinary share capital	Share premium	Revaluation reserve	Retained earnings	
		\$	\$	\$	\$	
	Balance at 1 September 2016	200 000	80 000	40 000	37 500	
	Rights issue	80 000 (1)	48 000	(1)		
	Interim dividend paid				(44 800) (1)	
	Revaluation			(40 000) (1)	(8 000) (1)	
	Profit for the year				22 500 (1)	
	Balance at 31 August 2017	280 000	128 000	–	7 200	

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2(b)	Responses could include: To retain reserves in the most distributable or flexible form (1) Revenue reserves are needed to fund the payment of dividends (1)	2
2(c)(i)	Quicker and cheaper than a new share issue (1) More likely to be fully subscribed than a new share issue (1) Results in a cash inflow (1) Does not have to be repaid (1) Would avoid any dilution of ownership (1) Max 2 Accept other valid points.	2
2(c)(ii)	Can lead to a fall in the share price (1) Accept other valid points.	1
2(d)	Long-term bank loan Interest on loan is fixed (1) whereas dividends are discretionary (1) Ownership remains the same therefore (1) No loss of control to existing shareholders (1) Funds received quicker (1) than a share issue (1) Repayments are fixed (1) enabling future planning (1) 1 mark for identification + 1 mark for development Accept other valid responses	4

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3(c)	It is written off as an expense (1) If the cost of the item is not material (1) The revaluation method should be used (1) If the cost is significant (1)	4																				
3(d)	Prudence (1) Not over-state the value of non-current assets or profit (1) or Consistency (1) Using the same depreciation method each year to assist comparisons (1) or Accruals/matching (1) To match the cost with the income earned by the asset (1)	2																				

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4(g)	Based on estimates (1) Unrealistic budgets may de-motivate employees (1) May discourage innovation (1) Max 2 marks Accept other valid points.	2