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**Loddington Farm Limited** 

Financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020

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## **Company information**

**Directors** 

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Company secretary

Mrs M Smith

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00356817

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# Chartered Accountants' report to the Board of Directors on the preparation of the unaudited statutory financial statements of Loddington Farm Limited for the year ended 31 March 2020

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, we have prepared for your approval the financial statements of Loddington Farm Limited for the year ended 31 March 2020 which comprise the profit and loss account, balance sheet, statement of changes in equity and related notes from the company's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

As a practising member firm of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at http://www.icaew.com/en/ members/regulations-standards-and-guidance/.

This report is made solely to the board of directors of Loddington Farm Limited, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 25 November 2020. Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the financial statements of Loddington Farm Limited and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the board of directors of Loddington Farm Limited, as a body, in this report in accordance with ICAEW Technical Release TECH07/16AAF. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Loddington Farm Limited and its board of directors, as a body, for our work or for this report.

It is your duty to ensure that Loddington Farm Limited has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory financial statements that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit of Loddington Farm Limited. You consider that Loddington Farm Limited is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit or review of the financial statements of Loddington Farm Limited. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the statutory financial statements.

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Faversham

# Loddington Farm Limited Registered number:00356817

# Balance sheet as at 31 March 2020

	Note		2020 £		2019 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	4		1,131,792		1,156,924
Investments	5		50		50
		-	1,131,842	•	1,156,974
Current assets					
Stocks	6	24,491		29,223	
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	7	456,513		299,100	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,792		4,696	
		482,796	<del>-</del>	333,019	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(1,410,926)		(1,573,179)	
Net current liabilities			(928,130)		(1,240,160)
Total assets less current liabilities		•	203,712	_	(83,186)
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	9		(808,602)		(565,220)
Net liabilities		-	(604,890)	-	(648,406)
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	[1]		3,500		3,500
Share premium account			297,524		297,524
Profit and loss account			(905,914)		(949,430)
		-	(604,890)		(648,406)

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# Balance sheet (continued) as at 31 March 2020

The directors consider that the company is entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 and members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102 Section 1A - small entities.

The financial statements have been delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The company has opted not to file the statement of comprehensive income in accordance with provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf by:

J T A Smith

Director

Date: 21 - 12 - 20

S.M. Smith

The notes on pages 4 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020

#### I. General information

Loddington Farms Limited is a private company, limited by shares and incorporated in England and Wales.

The company number and address of the registered office are given on the company information page.

#### 2. Accounting policies

#### 2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise specified within these accounting policies and in accordance with Section IA of Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are presented in pound sterling and all values are rounded to the nearest pound  $(\pounds)$  except where otherwise indicated.

#### 2.2 Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, the validity of which is dependent upon the continuing support of the company's shareholders and bankers in the form of loans. The shareholders of the company and bankers continue to support the company and as a result the directors have adopted the going concern basis of accounting.

#### 2.3 Revenue recognition

Turnover is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the company and the turnover can be reliably measured. Turnover represents net invoiced sales of fruit, crops and other income, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax and other sale taxes.

#### 2.4 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets under the cost model are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

At each reporting date the company assesses whether there is any indication of impairment. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined which is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. An impairment loss is recognised where the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount.

Land is not depreciated. Depreciation on other assets is charged so as to allocate the cost of assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, on a straight line or reducing balance basis.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Tenants' improvements Plant and machinery Motor vehicles

- 2 - 15% reducing balance

10 - 25% reducing balance15% reducing balance

Orchards

- 5% straight line

#### 2.5 Investments

Investments in unlisted companies are measured at cost less accumulated impairment.

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020

#### 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.6 Stocks

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stock. Cost includes all direct costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

Where cost cannot be reliably calculated, deemed cost is used in line with HMRC guidance HS232.

#### 2.7 Biological assets

Biological assets are growing costs in respect of living trees controlled by the company from which it expects to derive future economic benefit. These are measured at the lower of cost and estimated selling price, less costs to sell.

#### 2.8 EU agricultural support schemes

Payments received under EU agricultural support schemes are recognised as income when the business has met all criteria which entitle it to payments.

Amounts received under the Basic Payment scheme are recognised on 31 December in the year of claim. No provision has been made for penalties arising from the failure to comply with 'cross compliance' conditions, as defined by the RPA, except for where notification has been received.

#### 2.9 Leased assets: the company as lessee

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are capitalised as tangible fixed assets. Assets acquired by finance lease are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives. Assets acquired by hire purchase are depreciated over their useful lives. Finance leases are those where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership are assumed by the company. Obligations under such agreements are included in creditors net of the finance charge allocated to future periods. The finance element of the rental payment is charged to the profit and loss account so as to produce a constant periodic rate of charge on the net obligation outstanding in each period.

#### 2.10 Pensions

#### Defined contribution pension plan

The company operates a defined contribution plan for its employees. A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the company pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. Once the contributions have been paid the company has no further payment obligations.

The contributions are recognised as an expense in the statement of comprehensive income when they fall due. Amounts not paid are shown in accruals as a liability in the balance sheet. The assets of the plan are held separately from the company in independently administered funds.

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020

#### 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.11 Taxation

Tax is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income, except that a charge attributable to an item of income and expense recognised as other comprehensive income or to an item recognised directly in equity is also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

The current tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date in the countries where the company operates and generates income.

Deferred tax balances are recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed by the balance sheet date, except that:

- The recognition of deferred tax assets is limited to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits; and
- Any deferred tax balances are reversed if and when all conditions for retaining associated tax allowances have been met.

Deferred tax balances are not recognised in respect of permanent differences except in respect of business combinations, when deferred tax is recognised on the differences between the fair values of assets acquired and the future tax deductions available for them and the differences between the fair values of liabilities acquired and the amount that will be assessed for tax. Deferred tax is determined using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

#### 3. Employees

The average monthly number of employees, including directors, during the year was 16 (2019 - 15).

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020

### 4. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land £	Plant and machinery £	Motor vehicles £	Orchards (biological assets) £	Tenants' improvements £	Total £
Cost or valuation						
At I April 2019	135,765	1,054,959	22,420	418,659	578,945	2,210,748
Additions	-	31,700	4,995	20,105	32,227	89,027
Disposals	-	-	(1,100)	-	-	(1,100)
At 31 March 2020	135,765	1,086,659	26,315	438,764	611,172	2,298,675
Depreciation						
At I April 2019	-	678,120	13,045	68,859	293,800	1,053,824
Charge for the year on owned assets	-	58,425	1,816	21,938	30,119	112,298
Charge for the year on financed assets	•	1,226	-	-	-	1,226
Disposals		-	(465)			(465)
At 31 March 2020		737,771	14,396	90,797	323,919	1,166,883
Net book value						
At 31 March 2020	135,765	348,888	11,919	347,967	287,253	1,131,792
At 31 March 2019	135,765	376,839	9,375	349,800	285,145	1,156,924

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020

## 4. Tangible fixed assets (continued)

The net book value of assets held under finance leases or hire purchase contracts, included above,	are as follows:
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	2020 £	2019 £
Plant and machinery	6,945	20,282
	6,945	20,282

### 5. Fixed asset investments

	Trade investments £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 April 2019 and 31 March 2020	50

### 6. Stocks

	2020 £	2019 £
Consumables	11,355	4,849
Growing crop	11,880	14,703
Crop in store	1,256	9,671
	24,491	29,223

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020

### Biological assets - Growing crop

		2020 £	2019 £
	At I April 2019	14,703	13,439
	Net movement from cultivations and fruit sales for the 2019 and 2020 harvests	(2,823)	1,264
	At 31 March 2020	11,880	14,703
7.	Debtors		
		2020 £	2019 £
	Trade debtors	108,269	77,869
	Other debtors	32,110	<i>34</i> ,982
	Prepayments and accrued income	316,134	186,249
		456,513	299,100
8.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
		2020	2019
		£	£
	Bank overdraft	260,783	179,856
	Bank loans	34,500	331,000
	Other loans	12,500	29,000
	Trade creditors	87,013	115,561
	Net obligations under finance lease and hire purchase contracts	2,350	5,632
	Directors' current accounts	370,380	848,620
	Other creditors and accruals	143,400	63,510
	Share capital treated as debt	500,000	-
		1,410,926	1,573,179

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020

### 9. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2020 £	2019 £
Bank loans	736,237	475,370
Other loans	72,365	87,500
Net obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	-	2,350
	808,602	565,220

#### Secured loans

Bank loans are secured by way of a fixed and floating charge over all the assets of the company and personal land and property held by directors. Hire purchase liabilities are secured against the asset to which they relate.

#### 10. Loans

Analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year		
Bank loans	34,500	331,000
Other loans	12,500	29,000
	47,000	360,000
Amounts falling due 1-2 years		
Bank loans	334,500	31,000
Other loans	6,000	16,000
	340,500	47,000
Amounts falling due 2-5 years		
Bank loans	191,430	224,565
Other loans	57,865	57,000
	249,295	281,565
Amounts falling due after more than 5 years		
Bank loans	210,307	219,805
Other loans	8,500	14,500
	218,807	234,305
	855,602	922,870
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Bank loans include £441,400 (2019 - £441,400) repayable other than by instalments.

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020

#### 11. Share capital

Shares classified as equity	2020 £	2019 £
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
3,500 (2019 - 3,500) Ordinary shares of £1 each	3,500 	3,500
Shares classified as debt		
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
500,000 (2019 - Nil) Preference shares of £1 each	500,000	<u>-</u>

During the year 500,000 preference shares of £1 each were issued at par.

The preference shares shall be redeemed at par, at the option of the holder, upon the holder giving six months' notice in writing to the company.

No premium is payable on redemption.

Each share carries the right to a non-cumulative net annual dividend equal to 1% of the capital paid up thereon, payable half yearly in arrears starting from the date of issue.

#### 12. Pension commitments

The company operates defined contributions pensions schemes. The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the company in independently administered funds. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the funds and amounted to £3,507 (2019 - £3,000). At the year end £157 (2019 - £111) was due to the scheme.

#### 13. Commitments under operating leases

At 31 March 2020 the company had future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

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40,676	39,689
65,960	75,303
106,636	114,992
	65,960

The commitments under operating leases are in respect of tractor hire.

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020

#### 14. Related party transactions

During the year the directors advanced the company £61,574 and withdrew £39,814. At the year end £370,380 (2019 - £848,620) was owed to the directors. In addition the directors converted £500,000 of their loan account into preference shares.

During the year the company paid rents of £5,500 to the directors.