FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended

31 August 2003

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Company Registration No. 364450

DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

DIRECTORS

A I Patel

Y I Patel

D S Caplan

S Wild

SECRETARY

A I Patel

COMPANY NUMBER

364450 (England and Wales)

REGISTERED OFFICE

109 North Road Clayton Manchester M11 4NE

AUDITORS

Baker Tilly Chartered Accountants Brazennose House Lincoln Square Manchester M2 5BL

Scholes (Chemists) Limited DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors submit their report and the financial statements of Scholes (Chemists) Limited for the year ended 31 August 2003.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the company during the year was that of retail dispensing chemists.

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

During the year the company acquired an additional 3 pharmacies.

The directors consider the results for the year to be satisfactory.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The directors will strive to improve turnover and profitability over the coming year through the continued expansion of the business by acquisition.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The trading profit for the year after taxation was £2,691,583.

The directors do not recommend the payment of an ordinary dividend.

DIRECTORS

The following directors have held office since 1 September 2002:

A I Patel

Y I Patel

D S Caplan

S Wild

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES

None of the directors held shares in the company at any time throughout the year. The directors' interests in the shares of the parent undertaking are disclosed in that company's financial statements.

SINGLE EUROPEAN CURRENCY ISSUE

The directors have considered the potential impact of the Euro on the company's operations. As the company's systems are continually upgraded as part of normal business expenses, it is not anticipated that this will lead to a material change in the future.

DISABLED EMPLOYEES

The company gives full consideration to applications for employment from disabled persons where the requirements of the job can be adequately fulfilled by a handicapped or disabled person.

Where existing employees become disabled, it is the company's policy wherever practicable to provide continuing employment under normal terms and conditions and to provide training and career development and promotion to disabled persons wherever appropriate.

Scholes (Chemists) Limited DIRECTORS' REPORT

EMPLOYEE INVOLVEMENT

Employees are encouraged to participate in the success of the business by furthering their career through personal development and training.

AUDITORS

A resolution to reappoint Baker Tilly, Chartered Accountants will be put to the members at the annual general meeting.

By order of the board

A I Patel

Secretary

Scholes (Chemists) Limited DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- a select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- b make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c follow applicable accounting standards
- d prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SCHOLES (CHEMISTS) LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 24.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards are set out in the Statement of Director's Responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Directors' Report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read other information contained in the Annual Report, and consider whether it is consistent with the audited financial statements. This other information comprises only the Directors' Report. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgments made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs at 31 August 2003 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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Registered Auditor Chartered Accountants Brazennose House Lincoln Square

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31 August 2003

	Notes	2003 £	2003 £	2002 £	2002 £
TURNOVER	1				
Continuing operations Acquisitions		57,839,425 394,762		50,158,506 2,136,611	
			58,234,187		52,295,117
Cost of sales			43,553,574		39,176,265
Gross profit			14,680,613		13,118,852
Other operating expenses (net)	2		9,527,125		8,837,524
OPERATING PROFIT Continuing operations Acquisitions		5,207,033 (53,545)		4,466,526 (185,198)	
			5,153,488		4,281,328
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE INTEREST			5,153,488		4,281,328
Other interest receivable and similar income			26,630		46,244
Interest payable and similar charges	4		1,234,148		1,289,707
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	5		3,945,970		3,037,865
Taxation	7		1,254,387		992,760
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION	;		2,691,583		2,045,105

No separate Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses has been presented as all such gains and losses have been dealt with in the Profit and Loss Account.

Baker Tilly

Scholes (Chemists) Limited NOTE OF HISTORICAL COST PROFITS AND LOSSES

for the year ended 31 August 2003

NOTE OF HISTORICAL COST PROFITS AND LOSSES

	2003 £	2002 £
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	3,945,970	3,037,865
Difference between an historical cost depreciation charge and the actual depreciation charge of the year calculated on the revalued amount	2,841	14,009
Historical cost profit on ordinary activities before taxation	3,948,811	3,051,874
Historical cost profit for the year retained after taxation and dividends	2,694,424	2,059,114

Baker Tilly

Scholes (Chemists) Limited BALANCE SHEET

31 August 2003

	Notes	2003 £	2002 £
FIXED ASSETS Intangible assets Tangible assets	9 10 & 11	22,638,662 5,699,007	22,124,463 4,806,641
		28,337,669	26,931,104
CURRENT ASSETS		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Stocks	13	3,994,315	3,709,961
Debtors	14	12,475,533	10,720,574
Cash at bank and in hand		423,775	-
		16,893,623	14,430,535
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	15	13,495,166	11,161,777
NET CURRENT ASSETS		3,398,457	3,268,758
			
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		31,736,126	30,199,862
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one			
year	16	(19,717,293)	(20,872,612)
		12,018,833	9,327,250
			
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	17	618	618
Revaluation reserve	18	527,235	527,235
Other reserves		382	382
Profit and loss account	18	11,490,598	8,799,015
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	19	12,018,833	9,327,250

Approved by the board on an a sout

A I Patel

Director

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 August 2003

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention modified to include the revaluation of freehold land and buildings in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Investment properties are accounted for in accordance with SSAP 19, "Accounting for Investment Properties", which provides that these should not be subject to periodic depreciation charges (unless held on lease), but should be shown at open market value. This is contrary to the Companies Act 1985 which states that, subject to any provision for depreciation or diminution in value, fixed assets are normally to be stated at purchase price or production cost. Current cost accounting or the revaluation of specific assets to market value, as determined at the date of their last valuation, is also permitted.

The treatment of investment properties under the Companies Act does not give a true and fair view as these assets are not held for consumption in the business but as investments, the disposal of which would not materially affect any manufacturing or trading operations of the enterprise. In such a case it is the current value of these investments, and changes in that current value, which are of prime importance. Consequently, for the proper appreciation of the financial position, the accounting treatment required by SSAP 19 is considered appropriate for investment properties.

Details of the current value and historical cost information for investment properties are given in Note 11.

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No.1 from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a subsidiary of Primelight Limited. The company is included in the consolidated financial statements of Primelight Limited, copies of which are available from Companies House (Cardiff).

GOODWILL

Purchased goodwill representing the excess of the purchase price compared with the fair value of assets acquired is capitalised and subject to an annual impairment review by the directors in accordance with FRS 10. The directors consider that the goodwill acquired has an indefinite life. Any deficiency arising from the impairment review is written off to the profit and loss account in the year in which it arises. Any increases in value are not recognised in the financial statements.

This departure from the requirements of the Companies Act 1985 is, in the opinion of the directors, necessary for the financial statements to give a true and fair view in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Amortisation is only one of the many factors reflected in the annual valuation and the amount which might otherwise have been shown cannot reasonably be separately identified or quantified.

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TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Fixed assets are stated at historical cost or valuation less depreciation.

The directors have followed the transitional provisions of FRS 15 and have not updated the last valuation of freehold land and buildings undertaken in 1990.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets other than investment properties at rates calculated to write each asset down to its estimated residual value evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:-

Leasehold land and buildings
Freehold land and buildings
Fixtures, fittings and equipment
Motor vehicles

25% straight line2% straight line20% reducing balance25% reducing balance

INVESTMENTS

Fixed asset investments are stated at valuation.

STOCK

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost of finished goods and work in progress includes overheads appropriate to the stage of manufacture. Net realisable value is based upon estimated selling prices less further costs expected to be incurred to completion and disposal. Provision is made for obsolete and slow moving items.

DEFERRED TAXATION

The accounting policy in respect of deferred tax has been changed to reflect the requirements of FRS19 - Deferred tax. Deferred tax is provided in full in respect of taxation deferred by timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes. The deferred tax balance has not been discounted. The above amounts to a change in accounting policy. The previous policy was to provide deferred tax only to the extent that it was probable that liabilities would crystallise in the foreseeable future. The adoption of the standard has not required a prior period adjustment. If the new policy had been in place in the previous period no further liability would have been recognised as any liability for deferred taxation was provided in full.

LEASED ASSETS AND OBLIGATIONS

Where assets are financed by leasing agreements that give rights approximating to ownership ("finance leases"), the assets are treated as if they had been purchased outright. The amount capitalised is the present value of the minimum lease payments payable during the lease term. The corresponding leasing commitments are shown as obligations to the lessor.

Lease payments are treated as consisting of capital and interest elements, and the interest is charged to the profit and loss account in proportion to the remaining balance outstanding.

All other leases are "operating leases" and the annual rentals are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term.

TURNOVER

Turnover represents the invoiced value, net of Value Added Tax, of goods sold and services provided to customers.

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1 TURNOVER AND PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

The company's turnover and profit before taxation were all derived from its principal activity wholly undertaken in the United Kingdom.

2	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES (NET)	2003 £	2002 £
	Distribution costs Administration expenses Other operating income	81,893 9,985,514 (540,282)	82,567 9,216,166 (461,209)
		9,527,125	8,837,524

3 COST OF SALES AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES (NET)

			2003			2002	
		Continuing £	Acquisitions £	Total £	Continuing £	Acquisitions £	Total £
	Cost of sales	43,271,800	281,774	43,553,574	37,524,333	1,651,932	39,176,265
	Distribution		_ 	e 			
	costs Administration	81,685	208	81,893	79,781	2,786	82,567
	expenses Other	9,819,172	166,342	9,985,514	8,548,779	667,387	9,216,166
	operating income	(540,282)	-	(540,282)	(460,913)	(296)	(461,209)
		9,360,575	166,550	9,527,125	8,167,647	669,877	8,837,524
						2003	2002
4	INTEREST PA	AYABLE				£	£
		and overdrafts				1,179,408	1,187,659
	On other loans					40,437	95,934
	Hire purchase					-	349
	Other interest					14,303	5,765
						1,234,148	1,289,707

Scholes (Chemists) Limited NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31 August 2003

5	PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	2003 £	2002 £
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after		
	charging/(crediting):		
	Depreciation and amounts written off fixed assets:		
	Charge for the year: leased assets	9,504	_
	owned assets	201,347	208,157
	(Profit)/loss on disposal of assets	3,234	2,018
	Operating lease rentals:	- /	_,
	Equipment	_	3,826
	Land and buildings	620,281	355,267
	Auditors' remuneration	8,950	7,850
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6	EMPLOYEES	2003	2002
Ü		No	No
	The average weekly number of persons (excluding directors) employed by the company during the year was:		
	Office and management	40	38
	Sales	492	458
		532	496
		2003	2002
		£	£
	Staff costs for the above persons:		
	Wages and salaries	5,763,621	5,054,690
	Social security costs	403,922	335,640
		6,167,543	5,390,330
		<u></u>	
		2003	2002
	DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION	£	£
	Emoluments for qualifying services	15,200	7,750

Scholes (Chemists) Limited NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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7	TAXATION	2003 £	2002 £
,	Based on the profit for the year: UK corporation tax at 30% (2002 - 30%) Under provision in previous year	1,234,920 1	1,031,467 3,318
		1,234,921	1,034,785
	Deferred tax		
	Deferred tax charge/(credit) current year	19,466	(42,025)
		1,254,387	992,760
	Factors affecting the tax charge for the year		
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	3,945,970	3,037,865
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation multiplied by standard rate of UK corporation tax of 30% (2002: 30%)	1,183,791	911,360
	Effects of: Non deductible expenses Capital allowances in excess of depreciation Tax losses utilised Adjustments to previous periods Other tax adjustments	31,221 19,304 (1,334) 1 1,938	67,473 9,984 (489) 3,318 (43,139)
		51,130	123,425
	Current tax charge	1,234,921	1,034,785

Scholes (Chemists) Limited NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31 August 2003

9	INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS		Lea Premit		dwill £	Total £
	Cost 1 September 2002 Additions – hived up investment Adjustments	ts	55,5	- 550	0,514 22 0,000 0,606)	2,216,014 550,000 (30,606)
	31 August 2003		55,5	22,67	79,908 22	2,735,408
	Amortisation 1 September 2002 Provision in year		19,6 5,1		1,903	91,550 5,196
	31 August 2003		24,8	843 7	1,903	96,746
	Net book value 31 August 2003		30,6	557 22,60	8,005 2	2,638,662
	31 August 2002		35,	853 22,08	38,610 2	2,124,463
10	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Leasehold improve- ments	Freehold land and buildings	Fixtures, fittings & equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
	Cost or valuation 1 September 2002 Additions Disposals	£ 1,952 -	£ 3,154,863 942,450 (82,500)	£ 999,879 187,385	£ 193,269 47,960 (24,825)	£ 4,349,963 1,177,795 (107,325)
	31 August 2003	1,952	4,014,813	1,187,264	216,404	5,420,433
	Depreciation: 1 September 2002 Charge in the year Disposals	651 488	313,597 69,918 (2,613)	555,786 96,253	68,765 38,997 (13,422)	938,799 205,655 (16,035)
	31 August 2003	1,139	380,902	652,039	94,340	1,128,420
	Net book value 31 August 2003	813	3,633,911	535,225	122,064	4,292,013
	31 August 2002	1,301	2,841,267	444,094	124,505	3,411,164

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10 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (continued)

Included above are assets held under finance leases or hire purchase contracts as follows:

	fittings & equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Net book value 31 August 2003	-	31,961	31,961
31 August 2002	-	-	

Freehold properties were re-valued at 3 September 1990 on the basis of an open market valuation for existing use. In accordance with the transitional provisions of FRS15 this valuation has been retained.

Baker Tilly

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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10 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (continued)

On an historical cost basis freehold properties would have been included at:

	£
Cost Historical cost at 1 September 2002	2,493,909
Additions	942,450
Disposals	(82,500)
At 31 August 2003	3,353,859
Depreciation based on cost	
1 September 2002	250,406
Charge in the year	67,077
On disposals	(2,613)
31 August 2003	314,871
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Net book value:	
31 August 2003	3,038,988
31 August 2002	2,243,503
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TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Investment
	properties
Cost ourselvetions	£
Cost or valuation: At 1 September 2002	1,395,477
Additions	11,517
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Cost or valuation at 31 August 2003	1,406,994
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The valuations of investment properties were made in 1994 by Messrs Miller Metcalfe Kirkpatrick, Chartered Surveyors, on an open market basis. No depreciation is provided in respect of these properties.

On an historical cost basis these would have been included at an original cost of £650,894 (2002 - £650,894).

The directors do not consider the market value of investment properties to be substantially different from the carrying value in the financial statements.

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12 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

Holdings of more than 10%

The company holds more than 10% of the share capital of the following companies, all of which have been dormant throughout the year:

Company	Country of registration		Shares held
	or incorporation	Class	%
Subsidiary undertakings			
M.D. Robinson Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
Norman Youles Dispensing Chemists Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
Charles Hall Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
Stephen Isaacs (Chemists) Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
M A Harris (Chemists) Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
Thaneglade Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
Basil Clarke Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
Roocroft (1923) Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
EA Draper Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
McLoughlin & Nixon Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
Aerobelt Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
Showchem Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
Uscita Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
Greenwoods Pharmacy Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
Poludel Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
NE Smith Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
Ardwick Apocare Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
Drisell Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
Balmford Pharmacy Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
Deans Pharmacy	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
LG Forbes Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%

The company also holds more than 10% of the share capital of the following companies:

Company	Country of registration	Sh	ares held
Subsidiary undertakings	or incorporation	Class	%
C S Fletcher	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
Roy Sandiford Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%
W Brindle (Bolton) Limited	England & Wales	Ordinary	100%

The trade and assets of C S Fletcher were hived up into Scholes (Chemists) Limited during the year and are now dormant. Prior to the hive up, C S Fletcher was engaged in Chemist retail activities during the year, Roy Sandiford traded as an NHS appliance contractor and W Brindle (Bolton) Limited traded as an optician.

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12 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (continued)

ACQUISITIONS OF UNINCORPORATED BUSINESSES

During the year the company acquired several unincorporated pharmacies the assets of which, at fair value, were:

	value, were.		£
	Purchased goodwill		550,000
	Fixtures, fittings and equipment		20,000
	Cash consideration		570,000
			
13	STOCKS	2003	2002
		£	£
	Finished goods and goods for resale	3,994,315	3,709,961
14	DEBTORS	2003	2002
		£	£
	Due within one year:		
	Trade debtors	10,030,638	
	Other debtors		1,188,846
	Prepayments and accrued income		224,926
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	/3,39/	110,561
	ACT/Corporation tax recoverable Deferred tax asset	5,691	1,095 25,157
		12,475,533	10,720,574

Included within trade debtors above is an amount of £88,926 owed by Prinwest Limited, a related party as it is controlled by common directors.

The debtors above include the following amounts falling due after more than one year:

	2003	2002
	£	£
Deferred tax asset	5,691	25,157

Scholes (Chemists) Limited NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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14 **DEBTORS** (continued)

The balance of the deferred taxation account consists of the tax effect of the following timing differences in respect of:

	2003 £	2002 £
Deferred capital allowances	5,691	25,157

The movement in the deferred taxation account during the year was:

Balance at 1 September 2002	(25,157)
Profit and Loss account movement during the year	19,466
Balance at 31 August 2003	(5,691)

£

Included in other debtors are the following amounts owed by related parties as they are controlled by the directors of this company:

	2003 £	2002 £
	£	£
Levelcrown Limited	313,052	86,219
Cityfocus Limited	60,636	58,052
Makan Investments	370,888	48,128
Gamecrest	4,138	2,109
Wardcare Limited	248,727	184,557
Maxearn Limited	318,380	201,416
Walkboost Ltd (Medihealth)	24,797	-
	1,340,619	580,481

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15	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	2003 £	2002 £
	Bank loans and overdrafts	5,755,620	5,548,784
	Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	13,500	J,J40,704 -
	Trade creditors	5,438,072	3,415,630
	Amount owed to group undertakings	200,848	213,848
	Corporation tax	630,954	504,588
	Other taxation and social security costs	109,058	90,792
	Other creditors	879,722	670,015
	Accruals and deferred income	446,065	691,206
	Directors' loan account	21,327	26,914
		13,495,166	11,161,777

Included within trade creditors above is £3,189,571 (2002: £1,302,384) owed to Prinwest Limited, a related party as it is controlled by common directors.

Included in other creditors are the following amounts owed by related parties as they are controlled by common directors:

	2003 £	2002 £
Gorgemead Ltd Prinwest Ltd	598,635 254,567	467,819 10,483
	853,203	478,302

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16	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due in more than one year	2003 £	2002 £
	Bank loan	18,656,945	19,815,764
	Other loans	1,056,848	1,056,848
	Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	3,500	-
		19,717,293	20,872,612
	Loans:		
	Not wholly repayable within five years by instalments	5,573,647	8,109,961
	Wholly repayable within five years	17,062,479	15,367,861
		22,636,627	23,477,822
	Included in current liabilities	(2,922,834)	(2,605,210)
		19,713,793	20,872,612
	Loan maturity analysis:		
	Between one and two years	3,052,990	2,341,161
	Between two and five years	11,087,156	10,316,491
	In five years or more	5,573,647	8,214,960

Bank loans and overdrafts of £24,412,565 are secured by mortgage debentures in favour of National Westminster Bank Plc over unscheduled assets of the company along with fixed and floating charges over the assets of the company. In addition, the company is party to a composite guarantee to the Bank in conjunction with related companies under common control. Interest is charged at a rate tied to bank base rates.

Other loans of £951,848 are guaranteed by The National Westminster Bank Plc.

The finance lease and hire purchase contracts are secured over the assets to which they relate.

	2003	2002
	£	£
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts:		
Repayable within one year	13,500	_
Repayable in more than one year	3,500	-
	17,000	
Finance charges and interest allocated to future accounting periods	-	-
	17,000	
Included in current liabilities	13,500	-
	3,500	-

Scholes (Chemists) Limited NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 August 2003

17	SHARE CAPITAL	2003 £	2002 £
	Authorised: 1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000
	Allotted, issued and fully paid 618 ordinary shares of £1 each	618	618
18	STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT ON RESERVES	Revaluation reserve £	Profit and loss account £
	1 September 2002 Retained profit for the year	527,235	8,799,015 2,691,583
	31 August 2003	527,235	11,490,598
19	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	2003 £	2002 £
	Profit for the financial year	2,691,583	2,045,105
	Net addition to shareholders' funds Opening shareholders' funds	2,691,583 9,327,250	2,045,105 7,282,145
	Closing shareholders' funds	12,018,833	9,327,250

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20 COMMITMENTS UNDER OPERATING LEASES

At 31 August 2003 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2003	2002
	£	£
Land and buildings		
Expiring in less than one year	25,003	15,475
between two and five years	60,871	69,051
more than five years	525,169	535,619
		
Fixtures and fittings		
expiring in less than one year	-	3,645
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21 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There is a composite guarantee between this company and certain related parties in respect of bank borrowings as follows:

•	£
Gorgemead Limited Primelight Limited	2,666,036 76,544
	2,742,580

22 CONTROL

The ultimate parent undertaking is Primelight Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.

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23 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year the company traded with Gorgemead Limited and Prinwest Limited. Both companies are classed as related parties due to the common directorships held in them by A Patel and Y Patel. Scholes (Chemists) Limited received rental income of £7,701 (2002: £7,680) from Gorgemead Limited. Scholes (Chemists) Limited also purchased goods at a value of £24,934,500 (2002: £22,685,906) and received rental income of £323,075 (2002: £139,229) from Prinwest Limited.

All transactions were made on normal commercial terms and on an arm's length basis.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption offered by FRS8 to companies, 90% of the voting rights of which are controlled within a larger group, with regard to the disclosure of transactions with other group companies.

24 GROUP ACCOUNTS

The accounts present information about the company as an individual undertaking, and not about its group, as the company has taken advantage of the exemption provided by section 228 of the Companies Act 1985 as it is a subsidiary undertaking of Primelight Limited (Company No.2576058), a company registered in England & Wales, and is included in the consolidated accounts of that company. Copies of the financial statements of Primelight Limited are available from Companies House (Cardiff).