

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER 00617795

**Plymouth Chamber of Commerce and
Industry**

Company Limited By Guarantee

Financial Statements

For

30 September 2005



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Year Ended 30 September 2005

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Officers and Professional Advisers

The Board of Directors

Mr C A Howeson (Chairman)
Mr I Brokenshire
Mr T M Jones
Mr I M Potts
Mr J Steven
Mr G R J Walker
Mr D Young
Ms L S Lang
Miss E M Elliott
Mr D T J Fletcher
Mr D W Haskell
Mr T R Smith
Dr P Yarnely
Mr J Taynton
Ms E Budd
Mr M Leece
Mr J Crow

Company Secretary

Mrs Sally Perdrisat

Registered Office

22 Lockyer Street
Plymouth
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Auditors

Bishop Fleming
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The Directors' Report

Year Ended 30 September 2005

The directors have pleasure in presenting their report and the financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 September 2005.

Principal activities and review of the business

The company is principally engaged in the promotion of the business interests and the provision of business services in respect of its members.

For the year ending 30 September 2005 an operating loss after tax of £11,926 was incurred. The directors have made a provision of £44,000 against a potential claim against the "ELITE" project which ended in 1998 but which is now subject to a retrospective claim by the European Union. This means that the Chamber has net assets of £177,113 at 30th September 2005. Notwithstanding this claim, the strong performance during the year is particularly pleasing given the major loss of several sources of external funding.

Chamber membership continues to grow with the number now approaching 900, the highest figure in recent years. Training and events income has also grown – this is indicative of the level of service that the Chamber now provides, meeting the needs of not only the membership, but the business community as a whole.

As mentioned in last years accounts the arrival of the Commercial Director has been very rewarding with new partnerships and patronage schemes being introduced.

The upward trends in service and delivery are expected to increase with the arrival in December of an interim part-time Chief Executive, who will operate at a more strategic level than has previously been the case.

Directors

The directors who served the company during the year were as follows:

Mr C A Howeson (Chairman)	Dr P Yarnely (appointed 10 April 2006)
Mr B C Hegarty (resigned 10 April 2006)	Mr J Taynton (appointed 10 April 2006)
Mr T M Jones	Ms E Budd (appointed 10 April 2006)
Mr I M Potts	Mr M Leece (appointed 10 April 2006)
Mr G R J Walker	Mr J Crow (appointed 10 April 2006)
Mr G P T Yates (resigned 10 April 2006)	
Mr J Steven	
Mr I J Brokenshire	
Mr D B Aubrey (resigned 10 April 2006)	
Ms K L Baber (resigned 10 April 2006)	
Mr G N Taylor (resigned 10 April 2006)	
Mr D C Young	
Ms L S Lang (appointed 18 April 2005)	
Miss E M Elliott (appointed 18 April 2005)	
Mr D T J Fletcher (appointed 18 April 2005)	
Mr D W Haskell (appointed 18 April 2005)	
Mr T R Smith (appointed 18 April 2005)	
Mr M A Mace (resigned 19 April 2005)	
Mr R J U Sands (resigned 19 April 2005)	
Mrs R B Wallin (resigned 19 April 2005)	
Mr A Preston (resigned 7 March 2005)	

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The Directors' Report *(continued)*

Year Ended 30 September 2005

Directors' responsibilities

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 at the end of the year and of the profit or loss for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to select suitable accounting policies, as described on page 8, and then apply them on a consistent basis, making judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable. The directors must also 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 Companies Act 1985. The directors 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

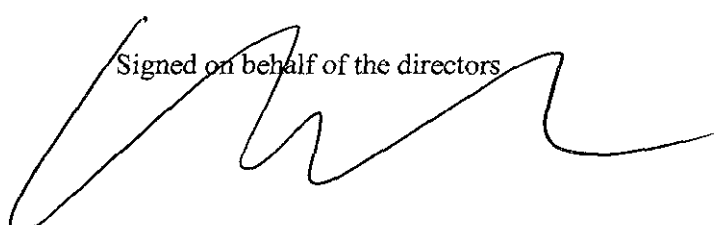
A resolution to re-appoint Bishop Fleming as auditors for the ensuing year will be proposed at the annual general meeting in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part VII of the Companies Act 1985.

Registered office:
22 Lockyer Street
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Signed on behalf of the directors



Approved by the directors on

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Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Plymouth Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Year Ended 30 September 2005

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 12 which have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002), under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of freehold land and buildings and the accounting policies set out on page 8.

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 auditors' 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

As described in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

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 the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom 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 judgements 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.

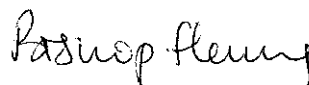
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**Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of
Plymouth Chamber of Commerce and Industry** *(continued)*

Year Ended 30 September 2005

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 30 September 2005 and of its profit for the year then ended, and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.



BISHOP FLEMING
Chartered Accountants
& Registered Auditors

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12 June 2006

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Profit and Loss Account

Year Ended 30 September 2005

	Note	2005 £	2004 £
Income	5	322,853	280,512
Cost of sales		83,283	40,188
Gross profit		239,570	240,324
Establishment costs		35,075	22,486
Administration expenses		164,396	159,638
Exceptional item	6	44,000	-
Operating (loss)/profit	2	(3,901)	58,200
Interest payable		8,025	8,556
(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before taxation		(11,926)	49,644
Tax on loss on ordinary activities		-	-
Retained (loss)/profit for the financial year		(11,926)	49,644

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet

30 September 2005

	Note	2005 £	2004 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	3	274,206	269,050
Investments	4	-	2
		<u>274,206</u>	<u>269,052</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	7	179,269	118,811
Cash at bank and in hand		73,154	24,381
		<u>252,423</u>	<u>143,192</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>208,733</u>	<u>118,034</u>
Net current assets		<u>43,690</u>	<u>25,158</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>317,896</u>	<u>294,210</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	9	<u>96,783</u>	<u>105,171</u>
		<u>221,113</u>	<u>189,039</u>
Provisions for liabilities	6	<u>44,000</u>	-
		<u>177,113</u>	<u>189,039</u>
Reserves	11		
Revaluation reserve	12	113,286	114,053
Profit and loss account	13	63,827	74,986
Members' funds		<u>177,113</u>	<u>189,039</u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002).

These financial statements were approved by the directors on the and are signed on their behalf by:

Director

Plymouth Chamber of Commerce and Industry Company Limited By Guarantee

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year Ended 30 September 2005

1. Accounting policies

(a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold land and buildings, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002).

(b) Turnover

The turnover shown in the profit and loss account represents amounts invoiced during the year, exclusive of Value Added Tax.

(c) Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Freehold buildings -	2% on revalued cost.
Furniture and equipment -	20% of reducing book value

The valuation of freehold land and buildings has been attributed as £176,667 to freehold land and £88,333 to freehold buildings. Freehold land is not depreciated.

(d) Operating lease agreements

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against profits on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

(e) Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company. The annual contributions payable are charged to the profit and loss account.

(f) Members subscriptions

In the year ended 30 September 2005 the membership subscriptions have been allocated to the appropriate accounting period and portions relating to the period after 30 September 2005 have been carried forward as deferred income.

2. Operating profit

Operating profit is stated after charging:

	2005	2004
	£	£
Directors' emoluments	—	—
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	4,952	3,221
Auditors' remuneration		
- as auditors	2,000	1,800
- for other services	820	—
	<u>2,820</u>	<u>1,800</u>

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3. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold Property £	Equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 October 2004	265,000	14,909	279,909
Additions	—	10,108	10,108
At 30 September 2005	<u>265,000</u>	<u>25,017</u>	<u>290,017</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 October 2004	1,767	9,092	10,859
Charge for the year	1,767	3,185	4,952
At 30 September 2005	<u>3,534</u>	<u>12,277</u>	<u>15,811</u>
Net book value			
At 30 September 2005	<u>261,466</u>	<u>12,740</u>	<u>274,206</u>
At 30 September 2004	<u>263,233</u>	<u>5,817</u>	<u>269,050</u>

The freehold property at 22 Locker Street, Plymouth was revalued on 17 March 2004 by N J Holman FRICS of Vickery Holman, Property Consultants. The basis of the valuation was Existing Use Value. The gross amount of land and buildings on which depreciation is provided is £88,333. The historical cost of freehold land and buildings included above at a valuation of £265,000 was £153,180 (2004: £153,180) and the aggregate depreciation thereon would have been £5,000 (2004: £4,000).

4. Investments

	Shares in group undertaking £
Cost	
At 1 October 2004	2
Disposals	(2)
At 30 September 2005	<u>—</u>
Net book value	
At 30 September 2005	<u>—</u>
At 30 September 2004	<u>2</u>

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4. Investments (cont'd)

The company owned 100% of the issued share capital of Plymouth Discoveries Limited, a company incorporated in England. At 30 September 2004 the Capital and Reserves of this company amounted to £nil and the profit for the financial year to 30 September 2004 was £nil.

During the year the company was struck off from the Register of Companies. It did not trade in the financial year to 30 September 2005.

Under the provision of section 248 of the Companies Act 1985 the company is exempt from preparing consolidated accounts and has not done so, therefore the accounts show information about the company as an individual entity.

5. Turnover

	2005 £	2004 £
Membership subscriptions	151,793	125,560
Other income	171,060	154,952
	<u>322,853</u>	<u>280,512</u>

6. Exceptional item

A provision of £44,000 has been made for a potential liability which may arise in respect of a project funded by the European Union. The Plymouth Chamber of Commerce and Industry was one of the contractors to the project and was responsible for its administration and financial management.

7. Debtors

	2005 £	2004 £
Trade debtors	150,929	77,111
Prepayments and accrued income	5,452	18,008
Other debtors	22,888	23,692
	<u>179,269</u>	<u>118,811</u>

8. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2005 £	2004 £
Bank loans and overdrafts	10,902	10,313
Trade creditors	13,007	14,318
Other taxation and social security	35,122	18,507
Other creditors	149,702	74,896
	<u>208,733</u>	<u>118,034</u>

The bank loans and overdrafts are secured by a mortgage over the company's freehold land and buildings.

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9. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2005	2004
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	<u>96,783</u>	<u>105,171</u>

The bank loans are secured by a mortgage over the company's freehold land and buildings. Included in the above are creditors of £38,730 (2004: £54,791) due in more than five years.

10. Related party transactions

The company entered into the following material transactions during the year with organisations in which the named director of Plymouth Chamber of Commerce and Industry also held a directorship:

Organisation	Directors name	Transaction type	Expenditure during the period
Integrem Limited	Ms K L Baber	Purchase of computer equipment, broadband installation and support	£10,624

No other transactions with related parties were undertaken such as are required to be disclosed under Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002).

11. Company limited by guarantee

The company has no share capital and is limited by guarantee. The liability of each member of the company is limited to £1.

12. Revaluation reserve

	2005	2004
	£	£
Balance brought forward	114,053	114,820
Transfer to profit and loss account	(767)	(767)
Balance carried forward	<u>113,286</u>	<u>114,053</u>

13. Profit and loss account

	2005	2004
	£	£
Balance brought forward	74,986	24,575
Transfer from revaluation reserve	767	767
Retained (loss)/profit for the financial year	(11,926)	49,644
	<u>63,827</u>	<u>74,986</u>

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14. Commitments under operating leases

At 30 September 2005 the company had aggregate annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below.

	2005	2004
	£	£
Operating leases which expire:		
Within 1 year	3,200	1,468
Within 2 to 5 years	1,918	4,734
	<u>5,118</u>	<u>6,202</u>