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Wallcovering Manufacturers Association of Great Britain Limited

Report and Financial Statements

31st December 1997



The council present their annual report with the audited accounts of the Association for the year ended 31st December 1997.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the Association during the year under review has continued to be to look after the interests of manufacturers of wallcoverings in Great Britain.

During the year the Marketing Committee, through the Wallfashion Bureau, has continued to promote the industry; all monies collected for this project were expended during 1997.

The surplus for the financial year after taxation was £14,340 and has been added to reserves.

#### COUNCIL

The Council is the supreme decision making body of the Association and at 31st December 1997 was comprised as follows:

Lief Abilgaard Graham Hayhurst
David Aldred David Kay
John Blake Eric Kilby
David Catterall Tom Small
Michael Ferguson Keith Spencer
Roger Graham Eric Thurston

Mr D Hills served on Council until July 1997. Messrs F Huntingdon, G Pickford and N Sharrock served on Council until their resignations in December 1997.

## THE COUNCILS RESPONSIBILITIES

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

- \* Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- \* Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- \* Follow applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;
- \* Prepare the accounts 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 accounts comply with 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

The Association has made an Elective Resolution which has dispensed with the obligation to appoint Auditors annually. Chantrey Vellacott are the Auditors.

Signed on behalf of the Council:

Approved by the Council on

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## Income and Expenditure account for the year ended 31st December1997

	1997	1996
INCOME	£	£
Subscriptions(note 2)		
Full Members	95,871	92,666
Associate Members	23,625	24,000
	119,496	116,666
Campaign Funding	97,403	0
Interest receivable	5,014	3,318
Golf Day	968	1,085
Education Day	507	1,308
	223,388	122,377
EXPENDITURE		
Management Fees due to Parent Co.	47,500	47,000
Office expenses	1,852	594
Meeting expenses etc.	20,741	20,306
Professional charges	26,664	27,728
Marketing campaign	107,234	34,228
Audit fee	500	500
	204,491	130,356
Surplus/(Deficit) on ordinary activities(note 4)	18,897	(7,979)
Taxation(note3)	(4,557)	(2,057)
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	14,340	(5,922)
Retained Balance B/fwd	35,108	41,030
Retained Balance C/fwd	49,448	35,108

The Association has no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the surplus above and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented.

There is no difference between the surplus shown above and their historical cost equivalents.

Income and surplus are derived wholly from continuing operations.

The notes on page 5 form part of these financial statements.

## Balance Sheet at 31st. December 1997

	1997	1996
	£	£
Current Assets		
Trade Debtors	99,282	90,235
Cash at Bank	84,172	79,212
	183,454	169,447
Creditors		
Accrual & deferred income	110,579	115,080
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Amount due to Parent undertaking	5,243	3,137
Trade creditors	3,124	3,999
Corporation Tax	4,500	(1,787)
Other taxes	10,560	13,910
	134,006	134,339
Net current assets	49,448	35,108
Represented by the Surplus of		
the Association	49,448	35,108

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Notes forming part of the Financial Statements at 3st. December1997.

#### 1 STATUS

The Association is limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of each member in the event of winding up is £10.

On 21st. December 1994 the British Coatings Federation Ltd. became the sole member.

#### 2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A) Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost basis of accounting.

The Association has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting No.1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small company.

## B) Taxation

Taxation is calculated on the surplus for the year on ordinary activities as shown in the accounts.

#### C) Income

Members subscriptions represent the invoiced amount of services provided and is stated net of Value Added Tax.

## 3 TAXATION

	1997 £	1996 £
United Kingdom corporation tax charge on		
the results for the year at 24% and 21% (1996		
25% and 24%):-		
Current year	4,500	(1,797)
Prior year over provision	0	(260)
	4,500	(2,057)

## 4 SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFOR TAXATION

These figures are stated after charging:-

Auditors remuneration 500 500

#### **5 PARENT COMPANY**

The sole member of the Association is British Coatings Federation Ltd. which is a company incorporated in England.

Supplementary information to the income and expenditure account for the year to 31st December 1997.

	1997	1996
Management expenses	£	£
Charge by BCF Ltd.	47,500	47,000
Professional charges		
Taxation	215	200
Whittle Industry	26,449	27,528

# AUDITORS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE WALLCOVERING MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION OF GREAT BRITAIN LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 3 - 5 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 5.

## RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNCIL AND AUDITORS

As described on page 2, the Council is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those financial statements and to report our opinion to you.

#### **BASIS OF OPINION**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes an assessment of the signifant estimates and judgements 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 association's affairs as at 31st December 1997 and of its surplus for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Chantrey Vellacott

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May 1998