# FREEMANS TRUST LIMITED (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2001

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## Report of the Trustees and the Council of Management For the year ended 31 January 2001

The Trustees and the Council of Management submit their report and the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 January 2001.

1 Council of Management

J J Pearmund

R S Chapman

E F T Cribb (Chairman)

J Gillies

Miss M P Johnston

Mrs B V Kent

(Resigned 22/05/01)

I C Percival E G Pool J R A Rampton Miss D M A Ward

Mrs C N Southam

(Appointed 16/02/01)

R S Colledge

(Appointed 16/03/01)

In accordance with the Articles of Association Mr J J Pearmund, Mr J Gillies, Miss M P Johnston and Mr I C Percival having left the employment of Freemans Plc ceased to be members of the Council of management on 19 July 2001. Miss M P Johnston and Mr I C Percival offer themselves for re-election. The members of the council retiring by rotation are Mr R S Chapman and Mr E G Pool who, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election. Members of the council may be appointed by members of the Company in a general meeting or by the Council. One third of the Council will retire annually, these being the members who have held the longest term of office since last elected.

There are no employees of the trust; all the administration of the trust is undertaken by staff of Freemans PLC. Freemans PLC do not charge for undertaking this service. No member of the Council of Management possessed any interest in the Company during the year (2000: £0). The Council of Management receives no remuneration for their services (2000: £0). Under the guarantee within the Company's constitution the liability of each member of the company is limited to £1.

## 2 Name and registered office of the trust

The full name of the trust is Freemans Trust Limited and its registered office is 139 Clapham Road, London, SW99 0HR.

#### 3 Principal activities

The Company is a registered charity which applies its funds for charitable purposes at the discretion of the trustees, in accordance with the objects of the charity.

## **Objects and Activities**

The objects of the charity, as set out in the Memorandum and Articles of Association, are to assist both current and retired members of staff and certain members of their families who are encountering financial difficulties, and to support the charitable organisations which both current and retired members of staff are involved with or have recommended.

# Report of the Trustees and the Council of Management (continued) For the year ended 31 January 2001

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## Organisation

The charity operates from its registered office in Clapham Road, London.

## Review of development, activity and achievements during the year.

Total income of £175,091 (2000: £193,025) was generated during the year, £172,253 (2000: £190,656) of this being investment income in the form of dividends. This has enabled the charity to make charitable donations of £105,209 (2000: £97,849), of which £94,669 (2000: £75,745) were to registered charities. There were also Wheelchair Grants of £11,615 (2000: £34,423). There was one wheelchair and two stair-lifts purchased this year compared with, exceptionally, ten new wheelchairs last year. Loans to staff encountering financial difficulties, at 31 January 2001, totalled £48,616 (2000: £45,207). New loans during the year amounted to £19,449 (2000: £43,801). There was a credit of £4,771 (2000: £3,514 charge) this year arising from collections on loans previously provided against.

The Trustees and staff responsible for the administration of the Trust have worked on a voluntary basis during the year. The Council of Management are of the opinion that the Trust has sufficient funds to cover its present and future obligations.

#### 4 Results

The statement of financial activities for the year is set out on pages 6 & 7.

In addition to the investment income received there have been net investment gains totalling £176,983 (2000: £662,615) of which realised gains were £398,658 (2000: £340,755) and unrealised losses were £221,675 (2000: £321,860 unrealised gains.) Administration fees of £48,134 (2000: £51,936) are mainly represented by fees of £46,420 (2000: £49,951) paid to Chiswell Associates for fund management.

## 5 Unrestricted Funds

The trust was established in 1974 by the donation of a number of shares in Freemans PLC to the Company. The unrestricted funds of the Company comprise this donation and subsequent movements are due to income and expenditure and investment gains/losses since that date.

#### 6 Auditors

Deloitte & Touche have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors and a resolution to re-appoint them will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

#### 7 Bankers

HSBC Bank plc 240 Lavender Hill London SW11 1LH

Report of the Trustees and the Council of Management (continued) For the year ended 31 January 2001

## 8 Investment managers

Chiswell Associates Limited 4 Chiswell Street Finsbury Square London EC1Y 4UP

By order of the Council

I C Percival, Council Member

## Statement of Council of Management Responsibilities For the year ended 31 January 2001

Company law requires the Council of Management to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company as at the end of the financial year and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Company for that period. In preparing those statements, the Council of Management are required to:

select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed;

prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

The Council of Management 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. 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**

#### FREEMANS TRUST LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 15, which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on pages 11 and 12.

## Respective responsibilities of the Council of Management and auditors

As described on page 4 the Council of Management who are the directors of the charity for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the preparation of financial statements, which are required to be prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on the financial statements and to report our opinion to you.

## Basis of 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.

## **Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the Company as at 31 January 2001 and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the Company for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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31 July 200:

Deloitte & Touche Hill House 1 Little New Street London EC4A 3TR

## Statement of Financial Activities For the year ended 31 January 2001

	Total Funds Unrestricted	Total Funds Unrestricted
Note	2001 £	2000 £
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		190,656
7		2,321
		48
	175,091	193,025
2	105,209	97,849
3	11,615	34,423
	(4,771)	3,514
4	48,134	51,936
	160,187	187,722
	14,904	5,303
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# Statement of Financial Activities (continued) For the year ended 31 January 2001

		Total Funds Unrestricted	Total Funds Unrestricted
	Note	2001	2000
Other Recognised Gains and Losses	; }	£	£
Gains on investments held for charital	ole use:		
Investment Gains/(Losses)			
Realised Unrealised		398,658 (221,675)	340,755 321,860
Total Net Investment Gains		176,983	662,615
Net Movement In Funds Total Funds brought forward 31 January 2000	9 9	191,887 6,344,235	667,918 5,676,317
Total Funds carried forward 31 January 2001		6,536,122	6,344,235

## Balance Sheet As at 31 January 2001

	Note	2001 £	2000 £
Fixed assets			
Long term investment assets	5	6,046,552	5,674,735
Current assets			
Loans to Freemans PLC current a Amount owed by Freemans PLC		48,616 10,868	45,207
Other debtors Current investment assets	8 5	16,335 374,256	5,542 569,090
Cash at bank and in hand		75,728	730,107
Creditors: Amounts falling due within	n one year		
Amount owed to Freemans PLC Accruals and deferred income		(36,233)	(9,427) (51,180)
		(36,233)	(60,607)
Net current assets		489,570	669,500
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Total assets less current liabilities		6,536,122	6,344,235
Funds			
Unrestricted permanent capital and general funds	9	6,536,122	6,344,235
		6,536,122	6,344,235

Approved by the Council of Management on 19th July 2001 Signed on behalf of the Council of Management

I C Percival

**Council Member** 

# Income and Expenditure Account For the year ended 31 January 2001

	2001 £	2000 £
Income from continuing operations		
Dividends Interest Donations	172,253 2,787 51	190,656 2,321 48
	175,091	193,025
Expenditure		
Grants Audit fees Fund management fees (Recovery)/provision against loans	116,824 1,714 46,420 (4,771)	132,272 1,985 49,951 3,514
	160,187	187,722
Excess of income over expenditure from continuing operations	14,904	5,303

## Cash flow Statement For the year ended 31 January 2001

	Note	2001 £	2000 £
Net cash outflow from operating activities	1	(209,580)	(204,434)
Returns on investments and servicing of finance	2	175,040	192,977
Cash transfer from investment fund		-	50,010
(Decrease)/increase in cash		(34,540)	38,553
Notes to the Cash flow Statement			
1. Reconciliation of the net incoming/(out operating activities	tgoing) resou	irces to net cash outflow	from
operating weathers		2001 £	2000 £
Net incoming resources Investment income Interest receivable Increase in debtors Decrease in creditors		14,904 (172,253) (2,787) (25,070) (24,374)	5,303 (190,656) (2,321) (12,729) (4,031)
		(209,580)	(204,434)
2. Returns on investments and servicing of	of finance	2001 £	2000 £
Investment income Interest receivable		172,253 2,787	190,656 2,321
		175,040	192,977

## Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 January 2001

## 1 Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting by Charities" and applicable accounting standards. The particular accounting policies adopted by the Council of Management are described below.

## (a) Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of investments at market value.

## (b) Investments

Investments are stated at market value. Realised and unrealised gains or losses on investments are reflected as a change in the permanent capital of the Company.

## (c) Direct charitable expenditure

Direct charitable expenditure includes all expenditure directly related to the objects of the charity and comprise the following:

## Grants Payable

Grants payable are accounted for when the Council of Management have accepted a legal or moral obligation to make a grant and when the amount has been ascertained.

## (d) Interest income/expense

Interest is accounted for on an accruals basis.

#### (e) Dividend income

Dividend income is included, gross of income tax recoverable, in the period in which it is received.

## (f) Provision against irrecoverable loans

Provision is made against loans which the Council of Management consider are unlikely to be repaid.

## (g) Depreciation

Assets for the use of grant beneficiaries are fully written off in the year of purchase through the grants account -2001: £7,008 (2000: £31,928).

## (h) Allocation of costs

The company does not pay staff costs or fundraising and publicity costs. All other operating expenses are classified as management and administration costs.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 January 2001

## (i) Taxation

As a registered charitable company Freemans Trust Ltd is exempt from corporation tax.

## (j) Fund Accounting

H.C.P.T The Pilgrimage Trust (Reg)

Unrestricted permanent and general capital funds represent funds which are expendable at the discretion of the trustees in the furtherance of the objects of the charity. Such funds may be held in order to finance both working capital and capital investment.

2	Grants Payable Total All unres		•	otal funds restricted 2000 £
	Grants to staff:	2,163 2,163	Grants to staff:	1,177 1,177
	Grants to support staff		Grants to support staff	
	charitable activities:		charitable activities:	
	Imperial Cancer Research Fund (Reg)	22,705	Imperial Cancer Research Fund (Reg)	15,759
	Weston Park Hospital (Reg)		PACT	5,000
	MacMillan Cancer Relief (Reg)	6,000	NSPCC (Reg)	5,000
	Leukaemia Research Fund (Reg)	4,300	Weston Park Hospital	4,600
	MacMillan Cancer Relief (Reg)	3,000	Rocking Horse Appeal (Reg)	3,500
	Thorpe Hall – Sue Ryder (Reg)	2,750	Save the Children Fund	3,500
	PACT (Reg)	2,666	Peterborough Cancer Appeal (Reg)	3,500
	Sheff Children's Hospital Scanner(Reg)	2,666	Papworth Hospital NHS Trust	2,100
	Save the Children's Fund (Reg)	2,380	Guildford Action for Community care	2,100
	BBC Children in Need Appeal (Reg)	2,202	World Wide Fund for Nature (Reg)	2,065
	Weston Park Hospital (Reg)	2,150	Peckham Settlement (Reg)	2,000
	Dr John Worral School	2,150	Tilbrook Amenities Committee (Reg)	2,000
	Woodcraft Folk – Lockerbrook (Reg)	1,980	BBC Children in need (Reg)	1,995
	St Luke's Hospice (Reg)	1,800	PHAB (Reg)	1,662
	Cancer Research (Reg)	1,500	Children with Leukaemia (Reg)	1,600
	Spencer Dayman Meningitis Labs (Reg)	1,500	St Lukes Hospice (Reg)	1,600
	Sheffield Breast Care Support (Reg)	1,470	Martin House Hospice for Children	1,212
	The Ellenor Foundation (Reg)	1,360	Royal National Institute for the Blind	1,200
	Great Ormond Street Hospital (Reg)	1,200	Dr John Worral School	1,100
	Chatsworth Parents Association (Reg)	1,050	Sheffield Family Services Unit	1,100
	The Peckham Settlement (Reg)	1,000	Friends of Gunthorpe Family Centre	1,000
	St Christopher Hospice (Reg)	1,000	Hospital for Incurables	1,000
	Sheffield Children's Hospital (Reg)	1,000	Pagham Village Hall Trust	1,000
	Weston Park Hospital (Reg)	1,000	Cancer Research Campaign	<u>1,000</u>

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## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 January 2001

## 2 Grants Payable (Continued)

Other	Organisations:		Other Organisations:	
•		1,000	Sue Ryder - Thorpe Hall	1,530
Retire	ed Staff Association - Clapham	2,500	Sheffield Children's Hospital	1,500
Retire	ed Staff Association - Peterborough	2,500	Virgin HEMS London Limited	1,500
Retire	ed Staff Association - Sheffield	<u>1,000</u>	The Arrow Riding Centre	1,000
			Retired Staff Association - Clapha	am 2,500
			Retired Staff Association - Peterb	orough 2,500
			Retired Staff Association - Sheffie	eld <u>1,000</u>
		7,000		11,530
	Grants (less than £1,000)	<u>19,121</u>	Other Grants (less than £1,000)	<u>18,549</u>
TOTA	AL GRANTS PAYABLE	<u>105,209</u>	TOTAL GRANTS PAYABLE	<u>97,849</u>
3	Wheelchair Grants	т	Cotal	Total
3	Wheelchan Grants	Unrestri		Unrestricted
			ınds	funds
			2001	2000
		-	£	£
	Material grants payable by the tr	rust:		
	Wheelchairs for members and ex members of staff and their spous		,008	31,928
	Insurance and Other	4	,607	2,495
	Total Wheelchair Grants	11	,615	34,423
4	Administration Fees	 T	otal	Total
		Unrestri		Unrestricted
		fu	ınds	funds
			2001	2000
			£	£
	Fund management fees	46	,420	49,951
	Audit Fees	1	,714	1,985
		48	,134	51,936
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# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 January 2001

## 5 Investments

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Investments stated at market value comprised:

	Type of Security 31 Januar		y 2001		31 January 2000		
		£	%	Yield	£	%	Yield
	Government securities	102,854	1.60	2.44	403,652	6.46	2.81
	Fixed interest	851,097	13.26	5.66	651,899	10.44	6.24
	UK equities	3,650,347	56.85	2.50	3,109,015	49.79	2.69
	Overseas equities	1,122,284	17.48	0.33	1,183,387	18.95	0.16
	Unit trusts and funds	135,913	2.12	1.13	196,519	3.15	1.36
	Investment trusts	184,057	2.87	0.53	130,263	2.09	0.98
	Long term investments	6,046,552	94.17	2.45	5,674,735	90.88	2.49
	Current investment asset	374,256	5.83	5.37	569,090	9.12	5.75
	Total investments	6,420,808	100.00	2.62	6,243,825	100.00	2.79
				2001 £		2000 £	
	Investments at 1 February	у		6,243,825		5,631,220	
	Purchases			1,906,071		1,603,094	
	Sales			(1,711,237)		(1,784,658)	
	(Decrease)/increase in sh	ort-term dep	osits	(194,834)		181,564	
	Cash account transfer			-		(50,010)	
				6,243,825		5,581,210	
	Net investment gains			176,983		662,615	
	Investments at 31 January	y		6,420,808		6,243,825	
ó	Investment income			2001 £		2000 £	
	Dividends			<u>172,253</u>		190,656	
7	Interest Receivable			2001 £		2000 £	
	Bank Deposit Interest			<u>2,787</u>		<u>2,321</u>	

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 January 2001

8	Other Debtors	2001 £	2000 £
	Amount owed by Chiswell Associates	6,312	5,152
	Tax Recoverable	9,748	354
	Accrued Interest	275	36
	Total	16,335	5,542

## 9 Unrestricted Permanent Capital and General Funds - Movement and Reconciliation

	2001 £	2000 £
Unrestricted funds at 1 February	6,344,235	5,676,317
Net investment gains	176,983	662,615
Net incoming resources from continuing operations	14,904	5,303
Unrestricted funds at 31 January	6,536,122	6,344,235

## 10 Information Regarding Employees and the Council of Management

There are no employees of the trust; all the administration of the trust is undertaken by staff of Freemans PLC. Freemans PLC do not charge for undertaking this service. No member of the Council of Management possessed any interest in the Company during the year (2000: £0). The Council of Management receives no remuneration for their services (2000: £0). Under the guarantee within the Company's constitution the liability of each member of the Company is limited to £1.

#### 11 Format of Financial Statements

Compliance with the provisions of Schedule 4 of the Companies Act 1985 with respect to the form and content of these accounts would not present a true and fair view. Accordingly the Council of Management have departed from these provisions only in so far as is necessary to give a true and fair view.

In particular, the detail included in the income and expenditure account gives a more meaningful view of the Trust than a profit and loss account prepared in Companies Act format and the classification of reserves as shown is more appropriate than the standard Companies Act headings. Neither of these departures has any effect on the reported result for the year or the net asset position of the Trust at the year-end.