Company Registration No: 1628589

LOMBARD CORPORATE FINANCE (4) LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 March 2005



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OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

DIRECTORS:

Trevor Vaughan Castledine Sharon Jill Caterer

Sharon Jill Caterer Adrian Colin Farnell Philip Anthony Tubb

SECRETARY:

Marina Louise Thomas

REGISTERED OFFICE:

3 Princess Way

Redhill Surrey RH1 1NP

AUDITORS:

Deloitte & Touche LLP,

Bristol

Registered in England and Wales.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2005.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND BUSINESS REVIEW

The company no longer has any leasing facilities but the directors may look for new opportunities in the future.

The directors do not recommend that an interim dividend be paid (2004: £nil). The retained profit for the period was £17,000 (2004: £31,000) and this was transferred to reserves.

DIRECTORS AND SECRETARY

The names of the present directors and secretary are as listed on page 1.

From 1 April 2004 to date the following changes have taken place:

1 1 11	Appointed	Resigned
Directors	три при при при при при при при при при п	
D Slattery		19 July 2004
P A Tubb W V Latter	19 May 2004	7 June 2004
T Castledine	18 June 2004	

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

United Kingdom 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 as at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the directors 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 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- 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. 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.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

No director had an interest in the shares of the company.

The following directors were beneficially interested in the ordinary shares of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc:

	÷	As at 1 April 2004*	As at 31 March 2005
T V Castledine S J Caterer A C Farnell P A Tubb	:.	60 10,052 13,170 1,721	294 12,197 16,043 1,721

^{*} Or date of appointment if later.

Options to subscribe for ordinary shares of 25p each in The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc granted to and exercised during the period by the following directors of the Company and members of their immediate family are:

	As at 1 April	Granted during the period		Exercised during the period		As at 31 March
1	2004*	Options	Price	Options	Price	2005
T V Castledine	707	4,737	17.29	-	-	5,444
S J Caterer	2,042	1,217	12.09	1,508	10.06	1,751
A C Farnell	1,400		-	938 312 150	10.06 13.64 15.63	-
P A Tubb	5,739	3,759	17.29	-	-	9,498

^{*} Or date of appointment if later.

No director had an interest in any of the preference shares during the year to 31 March 2005.

Other than detailed above, none of the directors in office at 31 March 2005 held any interest in the share or loan capital of the company or any other group company during the year to 31 March 2005.

POLICY AND PRACTICE ON PAYMENT OF CREDITORS

The company follows the policy and practice on payment of creditors determined by The Royal Bank of Scotland Group pic, as outlined below.

In the year ending 31 March 2006, the Group will adhere to the following payment policy in respect of all suppliers. The Group is committed to maintaining a sound commercial relationship with its suppliers. Consequently, it is the Group's policy to negotiate and agree terms and conditions with its suppliers, which includes the giving of an undertaking to pay suppliers within 30 days of receipt of a correctly prepared invoice submitted in accordance with the terms of the contract or such other payment period as may be agreed.

The proportion which the amount owed to trade creditors at 31 March 2005 bears to the amounts invoiced by suppliers during the year then ended equated to nil days proportion of 365 days (2004: nil days).

ELECTIVE RESOLUTIONS

The company has passed Elective Resolutions electing to dispense with the requirement to hold annual general meetings, lay accounts before a general meeting and reappointment of auditors annually.

AUDITORS

Deloitte & Touche LLP have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on behalf of the Board

S J Caterer Director

Date: 30 September 2005

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF LOMBARD CORPORATE FINANCE (4) LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Lombard Corporate Finance (4) Limited for the year ended 31 March 2005 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet and the related notes 1 to 11. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

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 the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described in the directors' report, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant United Kingdom legal and regulatory requirements and 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 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 for the above year and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements.

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.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs at 31 March 2005 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Deloitte & Touche LLP

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Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 March 2005

	CONTINUING OPERATIONS			
	Note	2005 £'000	2004 £'000	
Interest receivable	5 _	24	45_	
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	4	24	45	
Taxation charge on profit on ordinary activities	6	(7)	(14)	
RETAINED PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	10	17	31	

There is no difference between the profit on ordinary activities before taxation and the retained profit for the year stated above and their historical cost equivalents.

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

The notes on pages 8 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET as at 31 March 2005

	Note	2005 £'000	2004 £'000
CURRENT ASSETS			
DEBTORS: Other debtors	7	498	4,86
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	8 _	(182)	(187)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		316	299
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	_	316	299
NET ASSETS	==	316	299
CAPITAL AND RESERVES	t	1	
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	9 . 10 <u>-</u>	316	- 299
TOTAL EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	11	316	299

The financial statements on pages 6 to 10 were approved by the Board of Directors on 30 September 2005 and were signed on its behalf by :-

S J Caterer Director

The notes on pages 8 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements on pages 6 to 10 are prepared on the basis of the principal accounting policies adopted by the Company described below and applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards. Accounting policies have been applied consistently.

a ACCOUNTING CONVENTION

The financial statements of the Company are prepared under the historical cost convention. In accordance with the Companies Act 1985, the Directors have adapted the prescribed formats of the financial statements as required by the special nature of the business.

b CASH FLOW STATEMENT

The company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc and is included in the consolidated financial statements of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc, which are publicly available. Consequently, the Company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 1 (revised).

2 IMMEDIATE AND ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The Company's immediate parent company is Lombard North Central PLC.

The Company's ultimate holding company, ultimate controlling party, and the parent of the largest group into which the company is consolidated is The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc that is incorporated in Great Britain and registered in Scotland. Financial statements for The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc can be obtained from The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc, 42 St. Andrew Square, Edinburgh, EH2 2YE.

The smallest subgroup into which the company is consolidated has as its parent company The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, a company incorporated in Great Britain and registered in Scotland. Copies of the consolidated financial statements for this subgroup can be obtained from The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc, 42 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh, EH2 2YE.

3 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company is exempt from the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard 8, 'Related Party Disclosures', to disclose transactions and balances with other subsidiaries or investees of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc as the results are included in the consolidated financial statements of The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc.

There were no other related party transactions during the year or any amounts due to or from related parties outstanding at the balance sheet date.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

4 PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

The emoluments of Mr D Slattery are paid by fellow subsidiary company RBS Aerospace Limited which did not make a recharge to the company. He is a director of a number of fellow subsidiaries and it is not possible to make an accurate apportionment of his emoluments in respect of each of the companies.

Other directors and employees are employed and remunerated by The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, which did not make a recharge to the company in 2005 nor 2004.

The auditors' remuneration for audit services in 2005 and 2004 was borne by Royal Bank Leasing Limited which made no recharge to the company.

The Royal Bank of Scotland Group has agreed to compensate UK members for any adjustments in respect of UK:UK Transfer Pricing that may arise under paragraph 1A of Schedule 28 AA, Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

5	INTEREST RECEIVABLE	2005 £'000	2004 £'000
	Interest receivable from group undertakings	24	45
6	TAXATION	£'000	£'000
	A) ANALYSIS OF CHARGE FOR THE YEAR	1	
	Current tax charge: - Group relief payable on profits for the year	··. 7	' '14
	Taxation charge on profit on ordinary activities	7	14
	B) FACTORS AFFECTING THE CURRENT TAX CHARGE FOR T	HE YEAR	
	Profit on ordinary activities before tax	24	45
	Tax on profit on ordinary activities at the standard rate of 30% (2004: 30%)	7	14
	Current tax charge	7	14
7	DEBTORS	2005 £'000	2004 £'000
	Amounts falling due within one year:	£,000	£ 000
	Amounts due from group undertakings	498	486

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CREDITORS	2005 £'000	2004 £'000
Amounts falling due within one year:	2000	2000
Amounts due to group undertakings	182	187
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SHARE CAPITAL	2005	2004
0	rdinary shares	of £1 each
Authorised	100	100
Allotted, called up and fully paid	100	100
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT	£'000	
At 1 April 2004 Retained profit for the year	299 17	
At 31 March 2005	316	
RECONCILIATION OF SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	2005 £'000	2004 £'000
Profit for the financial year and net addition to shareholders' funds	17	32
Opening shareholders' funds	299	267
Closing shareholders' funds	316	299
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