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UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK SCIENCE PARK LIMITED

Annual Report

Year Ended 30 September 2003

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Report of the directors for the year ended 30 September 2003

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2003.

Principal activities

The University of Warwick Science Park Limited aims to provide a focus for technology transfer and information exchange between University research and the commercial exploitation of high technology processes. In establishing the company, the shareholders intended that the Science Park should build upon the joint strength of a well established scientific community and a skilled workforce to play an important role in the economy of the West Midlands region.

Review of business and future developments

The financial position at the end of the year was satisfactory. Turnover for the year increased from £4,185,569 to £4,921,792. Rents received increased from £2,742,811 to £3,173,034. This increase was mainly in respect of a one-off early surrender payment. Occupation during the year has fallen due to business failures and downsizing. Although this downturn has had little effect on the year to 30 September 2003, it is likely that turnover for the following year will fall as it is proving difficult to attract new tenants in the current economic climate.

In May 2003 construction of Riley Court commenced, with completion due in January 2004. The building will provide 10 separate units of either 2,000 or 3,000 sq ft. The building will have low occupational running costs due to both the building design and connection to the University of Warwick's Combined Heat and Power plant. The project was conceived as part of the Science Park's contribution to the development of infrastructure within the Coventry, Solihull and Warwickshire Technology Corridor and as such is part-financed by the European Regional Development Fund.

Project activity continued during the year and overall progress was maintained on these projects benefiting the companies in the region. The Investment Readiness Project is a new initiative by the Science Park and Business Link to assist growth potential, technology-based companies reach a stage of development at which they are attractive to private equity as opportunities for investment that will accelerate the growth of the business. A key part therefore is ensuring that SME's are educated so that they have greater understanding about venture capital, and how specialist advice and support can help structure both the business plan and the business to secure external finance so making them investment ready. A further significant benefit of the projects funding has been the creation of a seed corn fund.

To meet FSA regulations, it has been necessary to set up a separate company to hold and administer the Investment Readiness seed corn fund. UWSP Concepts Limited was set up during the year as a company limited by guarantee. In July 2003, the Science Park's Board of Directors resolved that the University of Warwick Science Park Limited would become the sole member of UWSP Concepts Limited and that all of the main board members would be invited to become directors of the new company, together with Kevin Caley, a professional fund manager. As the new company is limited by guarantee, there is no investment involved

in this transaction; only a guarantee to pay £1 should future events require. This resolution was ratified on 1 September 2003 at a board meeting of UWSP Concepts Limited, when the two existing members resigned in favour of the University of Warwick Science Park Limited.

Due to the timing of these events, no bank accounts had been opened for UWSP Concepts Limited at 30 September 2003. The Science Park had already received £100,000 from Business Link to start up the seed corn fund and Business Link owed a further £250,000 at 30 September 2003. These monies have been included in the University of Warwick Science Park Limited annual accounts as amounts owing to UWSP Concepts Limited.

Results and Dividends

The profit for the year before taxation amounted to £452,740 (2002: £399,838) and the profit after taxation was £278,038 (2002: £250,594).

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend and the profit has therefore been retained.

Directors

The directors of the company at 30 September 2003, all of whom served throughout the year are listed below:

Name

Professor V D VandeLinde
Professor S B Palmer
Mr H R P Thompson
Mr K R Thomas
Mr A Hope
Councillor J A Tandy
Councillor R P L Morris-Jones
Councillor A C Skipper
Councillor D H Batten
Dr I D Nussey
Mr P Burns

Representing

University of Warwick
University of Warwick
University of Warwick
West Midlands Enterprise Ltd
Warwickshire County Council
Warwickshire County Council
Coventry City Council
Coventry City Council
Independent
Coventry & Warwickshire
Chamber of Commerce

Directors' interests in the shares of the company

No director held interests in the shares of the company at 30 September 2003, or at any time during the year.

Report of the directors for the year ended 30 September 2003

Directors' responsibilities for the 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:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- 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 maintaining proper accounting records, for safeguarding the assets of the company and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Charitable donations

No donations were made during the year (2002:£100).

Auditors

Grant Thornton having offered themselves for re-appointment as independent auditors shall be deemed to be re-appointed for the next financial year in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

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P GREATRIX Secretary

2nd April 2004

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK SCIENCE PARK LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of The University of Warwick Science Park Limited for the year ended 30 September 2003 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet, the cash flow statement, the statement of total recognised gains and losses and notes 1 to 27. 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 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 United Kingdom law and accounting standards are set out in the statement of directors' responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with the 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. 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 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 as at 30 September 2003 and of its profit for the year ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

GRANT THORNTON
REGISTERED AUDITORS
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
COVENTRY
2 April 2004

Profit and loss account for the year ended 30 September 2003

	Note	2003 £	2002 £
Turnover	2	4,921,792 ======	4,185,569 =======
Operating Profit	2	410,871	316,345
Income from fixed asset investments	3	37,296	43,988
Interest receivable and similar income		98,043	139,426
Other income		20,727	20,727
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(114,197) ———	(120,648)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		452,740	399,838
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	(174,702)	(149,244)
Profit for the financial year	17	278,038 ======	250,594 == ===

All operations are continuing.

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK SCIENCE PARK LIMITED Balance sheet at 30 September 2003

Balance sneet at 30 Septer	Balance sheet at 30 September 2003				
	Note	2003 £	£	2002 £	£
Fixed assets Tangible assets	8		16,497,070		15,565,723
Investments	9		1,079,623		1,079,623
Current assets Debtors Loans Cash at bank and in hand	10 30	9,813 4,497 <u>6,859</u> 1,169		670,496 336,085 <u>1,355,536</u> 2,362,117	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11 (2,32	<u>4,630)</u>		(<u>1,421,675</u>)	
Net current assets			<u>506,539</u>		940,442
Total assets less current liabilities			18,083,232		17,585,788
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year					
Provisions for liabilities	12 (3,73	5,463)		(3,607,082)	
and charges	14 (34	5,000)		(333,000)	
Accruals and deferred income	15 (1,32	<u>4,310)</u>	(5,404,773) 12,678,459	(<u>1,245,285</u>)	(<u>5,185,367</u>) 12,400,421
Capital and reserves Called up share capital	16		27,997		27,997
Share premium	17		449,064		449,064
Revaluation reserve	17		9,605,283		9,713,565
Profit and loss account	17		2,596,115		2,209,795
Shareholders' funds	18		12,678,459		12,400,421
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The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 2nd April 2004

V D VANDELINDE Director

Cash flow statement for the year ended 30 September 2003

for the year ended 30 September 2003	Note		2003	2	2002
		£	£	£	£
Net cash inflow from operating activities	s 25		1,010,017		555,753
Dividends received from joint venture			37,296		35,804
Returns on investments and servicing of fin	iance:				
Interest received Interest paid		124,963 113,198) ———	(87,127 142,844) ———	
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from returns o Investments and servicing of finance	'n		11,765		(55,717)
Taxation: Corporation tax paid			(143,702)		(80,904)
Capital expenditure Purchase of tangible fixed assets Less: Capital grant received (net of utilised		312,186) 99,752	(326,801) 149,783	
Net cash outflow from capital expenditu	re	(1,212,434)		(177,018)
Acquisitions and disposals		-		-	
Purchase of investments					
Net cash outflow from acquisitions and disposals			-		-
Net cash (outflow)/inflow before financing:	ng		(297,058)	l	277,918
Repayment of borrowing New borrowing	•	129,619) 258,000 ————		(91,334) 95,000	
Net cash inflow from financing			128,381		<u>3,666</u>
(Decrease)/Increase in cash	26	6	(168,677)) -	281,584
The accompanying accounting policies and	d notes	form an i	ntegral par	- t of these t	financial

Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses

	2003	2002
	£	£
Profit for the financial year	278,038	250,594
Unrealised surplus on revaluation of land and buildings	-	1,640,306
Total recognised gains for the year	278,038	1,890,900
Note of historical cost profits and losses	2003	2002
	£	£
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	452,740	399,838
Difference between historical cost depreciation charge and depreciation charge based on revalued amounts	108,282	119,700
Historical cost profit on ordinary activities before taxation	561,022 ======	519,538 ======
Historical cost profit retained	386,320 ======	370,294 ======

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2003

1 Principal accounting policies

The principal accounting policies of the company have remained unchanged from the previous year.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except that leasehold land and buildings are shown at their revalued amounts.

Fixed assets

Fixed assets other than leasehold land and buildings are stated at their purchase cost together with any directly attributable costs of acquisition.

The valuation of leasehold land and infrastructure is amortised over the remaining period of the lease commencing from the date that those assets are first brought into use. The valuation of leasehold buildings is amortised over 60 years or the remaining period of the lease if shorter.

Fixtures and fittings are depreciated over 5 years by the straight line method. Sundry plant and equipment is carried forward at a nominal value, the cost being written off in the year in which the expenditure occurs.

Turnover

Turnover represents rents, services and service charges receivable.

Deferred tax

Deferred taxation is recognised on all timing differences, where the transactions or events that give the company an obligation to pay more tax in the future, or a right to pay less tax in the future, have occurred by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets are recognised when it is more likely than not that they will be recovered. Deferred tax is measured using rates of tax that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date.

Investments

Investments are stated at cost less amounts written off.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2003

Income from investments

Investment income comprises dividends declared during the accounting period.

Pension schemes

The company participates in two defined benefit pension schemes. Each of the funds is valued every three years by a professionally qualified independent actuary, the rates of contribution payable being determined by the actuary. In the intervening years, the actuary reviews the continuing appropriateness of the rates. Pension costs are accounted for on the basis of charging the expected cost of providing pensions over the period during which the company benefits from the employees services. The effects of variations from the regular cost are spread over the expected average remaining service lives of members of the schemes.

Government grants

Grants that relate to specific capital expenditure are treated as deferred income which is then credited to the profit and loss account over the related asset's useful life. Other grants of a revenue nature are credited to the profit and loss account in the same period as the related expenditure.

Operating leases

Costs in respect of operating leases are charged on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rate ruling at the date of transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2003

2 Turnover and profit on ordinary activities

	2003	2002
	£	£
Turnover	4,921,792	4,185,569
Rent payable	(1,442,882)	(1,290,660)
Administration expenses	(2,367,718)	(2,109,824)
Establishment expenses	(1,057,979)	(951,654)
Grants receivable	357,658	482,914
Operating Profit	410,871	316,345
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Turnover consists entirely of sales made in the United Kingdom and includes revenue of £3,173,034 from operating leases (2002:£2,742,811).

Profit on ordinary activities is stated after charging:-

	2003 £	2002 £
Auditors' remuneration Operating lease rentals for	13,000	12,000
plant and machinery Depreciation of tangible fixed		12,459
assets	142,119	128,773
Lease amortisation	238,720	209,787
Donations	-	100
	#====	=====
3 Income from fixed asset investm		
	2003	2002
	£	£
From shares in group undertaking - University of Warwick Science Park		
Innovation Centre Limited	37,296	43,988
	====	======

4 Directors' emoluments

The directors received no emoluments from the company during the year (2002:NIL)

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2003

5 Employee information

The average weekly number of persons employed by the company during the year is analysed below:

Employees Employment costs:	2003 32 == 2003	2002 28 == 2002
Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs	£ 776,982 81,098 63,120	£ 680,774 52,169 75,028
Total direct costs of employment	921,200 ======	807,971 =====
6 Interest payable and similar charges	2003	2002
	£	£
On bank loans and overdrafts On other loans	91,107 23,090	97,558 23,090
	114,197 =====	120,648 =====

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2003

7 Tax on Profit on Ordinary Activities

i. Analysis of charge in the year.

	2003 £	2002 £
Current tax	_	~
UK Corporation tax on profit for the year at 30% (2002: 30%) Adjustment in respect of previous years	160,000 2,702	141,000 3,244
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Total current tax	162,702	144,244
Deferred tax	40.000	E 000
Origination of timing differences	12,000	5,000
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	174,702	149,244
	======	
ii. Factors affecting tax charge for the year.		
	2003	2002
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	452,740	399,838
	======	=====
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied		
by the rate of corporation tax 30 %(2002 : 30%) Effects of	135,822	119,951
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	70,948	61,672
(primarily depreciation on non-qualifying buildings)	1 0,0 10	07,072
Capital allowance in excess		
of depreciation	(13,935)	(10,000)
Franked investment income not subject to Corporation tax	(11,189)	(13,196)
Marginal relief on corporation tax charge	(24,646)	(22,427)
Other timing differences	3,000	5,000
Adjustment to tax charge in respect of	-	·
previous years	<u>2,702</u>	<u>3,244</u>
Current tax charge	162,702	144,244
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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2003

8 Tangible fixed assets

	Long leasehold land and infra- structure	Long leasehold buildings	Fixtures fittings and sundry plant and equipment	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£
or valuation				
1 October 2002 Additions	6,258,168	9,200,029 1,179,582	1,147,295 132,604	16,605,492 1,312,186
30 September 2003	6,258,168 =======	10,379,611	1,279,899	17,917,678
Depreciation 1 October 2002			4 020 760	4 020 760
Charge for year	- 48,512	190,208	1,039,769 142,119	1,039,769 380,839
30 September 2003	48,512	190,208	1,181,888	1,420,608
		=222==2	======	
Net book value 30 September 2003	6,209,656	10,189,403	98,011	16,497,070
·			=======	=======
Net book value 30 September 2002	6,258,168 =======	9,200,029 ======	107,526	15,565,723 =======
Cost or valuation at 30 September 2003				
is represented by: Valuation	6,258,168	9,186,332	-	15,444,500
Cost	=	1,193,279	1,279,899	2,473,178
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	6,258,168 ======	10,379,611 ======	1,279,899 ======	17,917,678 =======

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2003

Valuations

An interim professional valuation of the land and buildings was made by FPD Savills at 30 September 2002. This valuation, after depreciation for the current year is £15,205,781. Work in progress is valued at cost. The basis of the valuation used was open market value. There have been no changes in market conditions to suggest a need for a revised valuation.

No provision has been made in the deferred taxation account for the estimated corporation tax that would be payable on disposal at this valuation because, in the opinion of the directors, these assets are unlikely to be disposed of in the foreseeable future.

The historical cost and related depreciation of land and buildings included at a valuation are set out below:

L	ong leasehold la 2003 £	nd and infrastructure 2002 £	Long leasehold l 2003 £	buildings 2002 £
Historical cost Depreciation based	2,936,820	2,936,820	5,364,643	4,185,062
on cost	(324,345)	(303,654)	(668,217)	(558,470)
Historical cost net				
book value	2,612,475 ======	2,633,166 =======	4,696,426 =======	3,626,592
9 Fixed asset inve	estments	2003	2002	
Interests in joint ver	ntures	1,079,623	•	

At 30 September 2003 the company had interests in the following joint ventures:

(1) University of Warwick Science Park Innovation Centre Limited

The University of Warwick Science Park Limited is the holder of 350,001 'B' Ordinary Shares of £1 each representing 100% of that class in the University of Warwick Science Park Innovation Centre Limited. Warwickshire County Council is also a shareholder of the company holding 87,500 'A' Ordinary Shares of £1 each and 952,500 'A' Preference Shares of £1 each, representing 100% of the shares issued of those classes. The objects of the company are to construct and operate an incubator unit on the Warwick Technology Park. The University of Warwick Science Park Limited is also standing as guarantor for loans of £433,000 to assist in the construction, and has also committed itself to provide working capital up to £150,000, on a temporary loan basis, during the initial stages of the company's life.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2003

A Shareholder's Agreement restricts the voting rights of members and directors such that the University of Warwick Science Park Innovation Centre Limited falls within the Companies Act 1985 definition of an associated undertaking, and under FRS9 is classed as a joint venture. The company made a profit after taxation of £182,758 for the year to 30 September 2003 (2002: £165,270) and had capital and reserves amounting to £2,477,294 at 30 September 2003 (2002: £2,761,568).

(2) University of Warwick Science Park Business Innovation Centre Limited

The University of Warwick Science Park Limited is the holder of 4,501 'B' Ordinary Shares of £1 each representing 100% of that class in the University of Warwick Science Park Business Innovation Centre Limited. Coventry City Council and the Coventry and Warwickshire Chamber of Commerce are also shareholders of the company. Coventry City Council holds 2,000 'A' Ordinary Shares of £1 each and 152,166 'A' Preference Shares of £1 each and the Chamber holds 3,500 'C' Ordinary Shares of £1 each. These holdings also represent 100% of the shares issued of those classes.

The objects of the company are to construct and operate a business incubator unit on the Binley Business Park. A Shareholder's Agreement restricts the voting rights of members and directors such that the University of Warwick Science Park Business Innovation Centre Limited falls within the Companies Act 1985 definition of an associated undertaking, and under FRS9 is classed as a joint venture. The company made a loss after taxation of £50,181 for the year to 30 September 2003 (2002: £651,177) and had capital and reserves of £485,107 at 30 September 2003 (2002: £658,501).

Cost and net book amount	Shares £	Loans £	Total £
At 1 October 2002 and 30 September 2003	354,502 ======	725,121 =====	1,079,623
10 Debtors and loans			
	2003		2002
Debtors	£		£
Trade debtors	739,291		465,928
Prepayments and accrued income	266,682		196,384
Other debtors	333,840		8,184
	1,339,813		670,496
	=======		======

Included within prepayments and accrued income is an amount of £28,247 (2002: £54,420) due after more than 1 year.

Other debtors included £250,000 in relation to monies owed by Business Link in respect of the Investment Readiness seed corn fund which is to be paid over to UWSP Concepts Limited.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2003

Loans: due within one year	42,000	-
Loans: due after one year:-		
Enterprise Fellowship Scheme Blythe Valley Innovation Centre Ltd	147,750 	208,000 <u>128,085</u> 336,085 =====
11 Creditors: amounts falling due with	hin one year	
	2003 £	2002 £
Trade creditors Bank loans (see note 12)	883,405 127,740	572,209 127,740
Corporation tax Social security and other taxes	160,000	141,000 96,549
Sinking fund (see note 13) Amount owed to group undertaking - University of Warwick Science Park	186,667	175,607
Innovation Centre Limited University of Warwick Science Park	90,710	10,202
Business Innovation Centre Limited UWSP Concepts Limited	30,917 350,000	42,521 -
Other creditors Accruals and deferred income	66,097 429,094	14,642 241,205
		
	2,324,630	1,421,675
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University of Warwick Science Park Limited is the sole member of UWSP Concepts Limited, a company limited by guarantee. The £350,000 represents monies paid and due from Business Link. This balance will be transferred to UWSP Concepts Limited once the necessary banking arrangements are in place.

12 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2003	2002
	£	£
Debenture loans	2,308,980	2,308,980
Bank loans	1,426,483	1,298,102
		
	3,735,463	3,607,082
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The bank loans are secured by legal charges over certain land and buildings. The debenture loans are secured on the company's other leasehold property ranking after the banks' charges.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2003

An analysis of the debenture loans by due date of repayment is set out below:

	2003	2002
	£	£
Repayable after five years:		
1% Debenture loans 2011/2012	1,811,250	1,811,250
1% Debenture loan 2015/2016	323,730	323,730
1% Debenture loan 2016/2017	99,000	99,000
1% Other debenture loans	75,000	75,000
	-	
	2,308,980	2,308,980
	222222	=======

The debentures are held by the University of Warwick, Coventry City Council and Warwickshire County Council.

Bank loans:

Repayable by instalments within one year	127,740	127,740
After one and within two years	190,126	164,326
After two and within five years	558,839	492,978
After five years	677,518	640,798
·	1,554,223	1,425,842
		=======

Interest on bank loans is charged at 1.5% over LIBOR on £94,207, 1.25% over base rate on £258,000, fixed at 7.93% on £271,250, capped at 7.5% until September 2004 on £219,231, and capped at 6.92% until September 2006 on £713,414.

13 Sinking fund

The sinking fund comprises monies held against future essential major repairs on buildings in which the company has a long leasehold interest. The movement on the sinking fund during the year is set out below:-

	222222
At 30 September 2003	186,667
Interest receivable	2,935
Payment into fund	8,125
At 1 October 2002	175,607
	£

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2003

14 Provision for Liabilities and Charges

Deferred Tax

Accelerated capital allowances Other timing differences		2003 401,000 (<u>56,000)</u> 345,000	2002 386,000 (53,000) 333,000 ======
Provision at 1 October 2002 Deferred tax charge in the profit and loss account	nt (note 7)	333,000 12,000	
Provision at 30 September 2003		345,000	
Deferred taxation not provided for in the financia statements	al		
Unrealised capital gains		2,096,000 ======	2,096,000
15 Accruals and deferred income			_
Government and other grants At 1 October 2002 Received in year Amortisation in year against depreciation on buildings Utilised At 30 September 2003		(20	5,039 ,727) ,287) ,310
16 Called up share capital			
Authorised:	2003 £		002 £
Voting share capital 27,092 shares of £1 each	27,092	27	,092
Non voting share capital 10,000 shares of £1 each	10,000	10	,000,
	37,092		,092

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2003

Allotted, called up and fully paid Share capital

The University of Warwick			
9,523 voting shares of £1 each	9523		
385 non-voting shares of £1 each	<u>385</u>	9,908	9,908
Coventry City Council			
12,146 voting shares of £1 each	12,146		
480 non-voting shares of £1 each	<u>480</u>	12,626	12,626
Warwickshire County Council			
2,335 voting shares of £1 each	2,335		
40 non-voting shares of £1 each	<u>40</u>	2,375	2,375
West Midlands Enterprise Ltd			
3,088 voting shares of £1 each	<u>3,088</u>	3,088	3,088
		27,997	27,997
		=====	=====

The voting and non-voting shares are both equity shares and rank pari passu in all respects other than in respect to voting rights.

17 Share premium account and reserves

	Share Premium Account	Revaluation Reserve (see note 8)	Profit and Loss Account
	£	£	£
At 1 October 2002	449,064	9,713,565	2,209,795
Profit for year	-	-	278,038
Surplus on revaluation	-	-	-
Transfer to Profit and Loss Account	-	(108,282)	108,282
			
At 30 September 2003	449,064 ======	9,605,283 =======	2,596,115 =======

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18 Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

	2003	2002
	£	£
Profit for the financial year	278,038	250,594
Surplus on revaluation	-	1,640,306
Shareholders' funds at 1 October 2002	12,400,421	10,509,521
		<u></u>
Shareholders' funds at 30 September 2003	12,678,459 =======	12,400,421 =======

19 Contingent liabilities

At 30 September 2003 the company had a contingent liability as guarantor of a bank loan of £364,000 (2002: £433,000) taken by the University of Warwick Science Park Innovation Centre Limited (note 9), and a commitment to provide up to £150,000 in working capital to that company. No call had been made on this facility at 30 September 2003.

20 Capital commitments

The company had capital commitments of £2,715,798 at 30 September 2003 (2002: NIL).

21 Leasing commitments

The company has financial commitments in respect of non-cancellable operating leases of sundry plant and machinery. The rentals payable under these leases in the next year are as follows:-

	2003 £	2002 £
Date of lease termination: Within one year	10,519	4,664
In second to fifth years inclusive	36,818	2,872
	47,337	7,536

22 The Local Government and Housing Act 1989

The Directors are of the opinion that the Company does not, and did not have for the year ending 30 September 2003, any business relationship with any local authority, as defined under Section 69(3) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

23 Pension Schemes

Certain employees are members of the University of Warwick Pension Scheme. This is an exempt-approved pension scheme. The scheme provides retirement benefits (based

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on final pensionable salary) and lump sum and spouses death in service benefits. The scheme is set up under trust and the assets are held in a separate trustee administered fund. The last actuarial valuation was as at 6 April 2001. The pension costs were assessed in accordance with the advice of a qualified actuary using the Projected Unit method. The major financial assumptions used were that the long term investment returns would average 6.25% per annum compound, that long term salary increases (both promotional and inflationary) would average 4.25% per annum compound, and that pensions would increase at a minimum rate of 2.25% per annum compound.

The market value of the assets at 5 April 2001 was £52,100,000 and the actuarial valuation of the assets showed them to be sufficient to cover 109% of the benefits which had accrued to members after allowing for expected future increases in earnings. On the advice of the actuary, the University of Warwick has been paying contributions from 1 January 1999 at 14% of earnings, compared with the 15.25% long term rate calculated by the actuary.

Other employees are members of the Universities Superannuation Scheme. The scheme provides retirement benefits (based on final pensionable salary). The assets of the scheme are held in a separate trustee administered fund.

The last actuarial valuation for which figures were available at the end of the financial year was at 31 March 2002. The pension costs were assessed in accordance with the advice of a qualified actuary using the Projected Unit method. The major financial assumptions used were that the long term investment returns would be 6.0% per annum, that long term salary increases would be 3.7% per annum and that pensions would increase by 2.7% per annum. The market value of the assets at 31 March 2002 was £19,938 million and the actuarial valuation of the assets showed them to be sufficient to cover 101% of the benefits which had accrued to members after allowing for expected future increases in earnings. The pension contribution charged in the accounts was 14% of pensionable salaries.

The company's contributions are accounted for on a defined contribution basis as allowed by FRS 17 in circumstances where multi employer schemes exist, and the company is unable to identify its share of the underlying assets and liabilities in the scheme on a consistent and reasonable basis.

24 Related party transactions

The University of Warwick Science Park Foundation is a related party of the company by virtue of common membership. No donation was made to the Foundation.

The University of Warwick Science Park Innovation Centre Limited and University of Warwick Science Park Business Innovation Centre Limited (see Note 9) have management agreements with the company whereby the University of Warwick Science Park Limited manages their properties. During the year management charges totalling £43,102 (2002: £42,515) were received from the University of Warwick Science Park Innovation Centre Limited and £41,384 (2002: £40,820) from the University of Warwick Science Park Business Innovation Centre Limited.

Under the terms of certain leases with Coventry City Council, Coventry Venture Capital Limited (a subsidiary of the West Midlands Enterprise Ltd) and Warwickshire County Council rents of £798,071 (2002: £655,840), £93,930 (2002: £93,930) and £32,171 (2002: £28,730) respectively were collected and accounted for on their behalf. Coventry

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City Council, West Midlands Enterprise Limited and Warwickshire County Council are related parties of the University of Warwick Science Park Limited by virtue of their shareholdings.

25 Net cash inflow from operating activities

		2003	2002	
		£	£	
Operating profit Depreciation (Increase) decrease in debtors and Increase (decrease) in creditors	d loans	410,871 380,839 (664,649) 882,956	316,345 343,138 4,127 (107,857)	
Net cash inflow from operating	activities	1,010,017 =====	555,753 ======	
26 Reconcilation of net cash flo	w to movement ir	net debt		
		2003 £	2002 £	
Decrease / (Increase) in cash in the Cash inflow from financing	e year	(168,677) (128,381)	281,584 (3,666)	
Movement in net debt in the year		(297,058)	277,918	
Net debt at 1 October 2002		(2,379,286)	(2,657,204)	
Net debt at 30 September 2003		(2,676,344)	(2,379,286) ======	
27 Analysis of Changes in Net Debt				
	At 1 Oct 2002	Cash Flow	At 30 Sept 2003	
Cash at bank and in hand	1,355,536	(168,677)	1,186,859	
Debt	(3,734,822)	(128,381)	(3,863,203)	
Net debt	(2,379,286) ======	(297,058) ======	(2,676,344)	