HACKNEY BUSINESS VENTURE LIMITED

A Company Limited By Guarantee
REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended 30th June, 2000



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COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors M G M Haines (Chair)

G Harwood (Vice Chair)

S M Agass

I S Anderson OBE

C Cox M P Deutz S J Evans B N Marsh D Pyatt M S Siddiqui A K Stewart-Roberts

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Secretary S M Pilling

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Registered number 01825391

Auditors RSM Robson Rhodes

Chartered Accountants

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Holloway & Kingsland Group

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 30th June, 2000.

Principal activities

The main aim of the group continues to be to encourage the development of small businesses and employment opportunities mainly in the London Borough of Hackney.

Business review and future developments

HBV has continued to develop its core business of delivering start-up and micro business support within the Borough of Hackney and surrounding Boroughs and has been successful in securing work to supplement the carry-over contracts. Contract value has increased by 28%, which is in line with the projections of the three-year business plan.

HBV has continued to develop partnership relationships, which is seen as critical to maintaining its client base.

The major focus this year has been on fund raising to achieve the relocation of the business, which was successfully achieved in March, 2001.

Results and dividends

The surplus for the year was £1,118 (1999: £2, 065).

Each member of the Company has guaranteed to contribute a sum not exceeding £1 to the assets of the company in the event of it being wound up and unable to pay its debts.

At 30th June, 2000 the Company had 12 members (1999 - 12).

Directors

The directors and secretary at the date of this report are set out on page 2.

Each director is also a member of the Company.

Statement of 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 surplus or deficit of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors have:

- selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently;
- · made judgements ands estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- followed applicable accounting standards; and
- prepared the financial statements on the going concern basis.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and 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

The auditors, RSM Robson Rhodes being willing to continue in office and a resolution to reappoint them will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

The report of the directors was approved by the Board on 27/4/201 and signed on its behalf by:

S M Pilling - Secretary

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF HACKNEY BUSINESS VENTURE LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 12 which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on page 8.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3 the Company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

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We conducted our audit in accordance with 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 affairs of the Company as at 30th June, 2000 and of its surplus for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

RSM Robson Rhodes

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditor

LSM Rober Ohole

186 City Road

London EC1V 2NU

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the year ended 30th June, 2000

	Note	2000 £	1999 £
Income Less - Administrative expenses	1	403,408 (402,688)	314,427 (352,200)
Operating surplus/(deficit) - continuing operations	2	720	(37,773)
Interest receivable and lease premium interest payable	5	589 (191)	40,153 (201)
Surplus on ordinary activities before taxation		1,118	2,179
Tax on ordinary activities	6	-	(114)
Surplus on ordinary activities after taxation transferred to reserves	12	1,118	2,065

There were no material recognised gains nor losses during the year ended 30th June, 2000 other than as stated above.

BALANCE SHEET at 30th June, 2000

	Note	2000 £	1999 £
Fixed assets Tangible assets Investments	7 8	2,152 3	2,828
		2,155	2,831
Current assets Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	9	120,212 7,555	57,899 321
		127,767	58,220
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	10	(115,617)	(47,864)
Net current assets		12,150	10,356
Total assets less current liabilities		14,305	13,187
Net assets		14,305	13,187
General funds Restricted funds	11 11	12,575 1,730	11,457 1,730
	12	14,305	13,187

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 27.04 and signed on its behalf by:

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 30th June, 2000

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards under the historic cost convention. The company is not required to prepare group accounts because the group qualifies as medium-sized under section 249 of the Companies Act 1985.

Income

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Income comprises the invoiced value of goods and services supplied, net of value added tax and trade discounts together with donations received with respect to the general activities of the venture.

Fixed assets

Certain fixed asset donations-in-kind have been included in the accounts, at an estimate of market value.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on the straight line basis on cost, or valuation, so as to write off the cost of assets over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Office equipment Computer equipment 25% per annum 33.3% per annum

Taxation

The company is a registered enterprise agency and is not subject to corporation tax on normal activities. The company does pay corporation tax on interest received at the current rate of tax.

Funds

The funds of the company are classified as follows:

General funds: where the funds may be used for operational purposes.

Restricted funds: where the funds are allocated for specific activities of the group.

Leased assets

Where assets are financed by leasing agreements ("finance leases") the assets are included in the balance sheet at cost less depreciation in accordance with the group's normal accounting policies. The present value of future rentals is shown as a liability. The interest element of rental obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease in proportion to the balance of capital repayments outstanding. Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account as incurred.

Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all full-time staff, including the CEO, but excluding non-executive directors. The assets of the scheme are invested and managed independently of the finances of the company. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable in the year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 30th June, 2000

2. OPERATING SURPLUS

Operating surplus for the year is arrived at after charging:

	2000 £	1999 £
Depreciation Auditors' Remuneration	718 5,000	1,804 5,000

3. EMPLOYEES

The Company employed on average 8 (1999 -7) people during the year at a cost of:

	2000 £	1999 £
Wages and salaries	196,362	154,126
Social security costs	19,346	15,028
Other pension costs	6,257	7,476
Secondments	-	22,896
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	221,965	199,526

4. DIRECTORS

The aggregate amount of emoluments paid to, or received by the directors during the year was £61,584 (1999 - £60,660). No remuneration was paid by related companies to directors of the company during the year (1999 - £nil).

5. INTEREST RECEIVABLE

	2000 £	1999 £
Bank Interest Lease premium	589 -	153 40,000
	589	40,153
		

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 30th June, 2000

6. TAX ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

Corporation tax of £Nil (1999: £114 at 21%) is charged for the year.

7. FIXED ASSETS

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	Computer equipment £	Office equipment £	Total £
Cost At 1st July, 1999 Additions	40,165 42	14,814 -	54,979 42
At 30th June, 2000	40,207	14,814	55,021
Depreciation At 1st July, 1999 Charged in year	37,788 605	14,363 113	52,151 718
At 30th June, 2000	38,393	14,476	52,869
Net book value At 30th June, 2000	1,814	338	2,152
At 30th June, 1999	2,377	451	2,828

8. INVESTMENTS

As the Company has developed, it has set up or acquired separate companies to carry out distinct activities; in respect of these the Company has guaranteed to contribute a sum not exceeding the amount specified below to the assets of related companies in the event of being wound up and unable to pay their debts.

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Hackney Business Centre Limited (a property management company)	1
UBS Warburg Enterprise Fund Limited (an investment company)	2

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 30th June, 2000

8. INVESTMENTS (continued)

In addition, the company owns the whole of the issued share capital of Hackney Enterprise Fund Limited (an investment company), and the whole of the issued share capital of Business Solutions (London) Limited.

The results for each of these companies for the year ended 30th June, 2000 are as follows:

	Surplus/ (deficit)	Capital and Reserves
Hackney Business Centre Limited	(1,668)	(1,206)
UBS Warburg Enterprise Fund Limited	(37,866)	146,347
Hackney Enterprise Fund Limited	(20,487)	(291,216)
Business Solutions (London) Limited	(6)	43

The deficit on capital and reserves of Hackney Enterprise Fund Limited is arrived at after deducting an interest free loan of £350,000 (1999: £350,000) which is subordinated and is only repayable in the event of the company being wound up.

9. DEBTORS

DEBTORS	2000 £	1999 £
Trade debtors	90,318	44,178
Amounts owed by related company	1,448	1,125
Other debtors	17,796	528
Prepayments and accrued income	10,650	11,771
VAT liability	-	297
	120,212	57,899
		37,000

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 30th June, 2000

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2000 £	1999 £
Bank overdraft Trade creditors Amounts owed to related companies Corporation tax Other creditors including taxation and social security Accruals and deferred income	41,921 671 166 61,725 11,134	8,263 17,329 1,989 323 9,516 10,444
	115,617	47,864

11. RESERVES

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	General fund- Accummulated surplus	Restricted funds
At 30th June, 1999 Surplus/(deficit) on general activities for the year	11,457 1,118	1,730 -
	12,575	1,730

12. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN MEMBERS' FUNDS

	2000 £	1999 £
Retained surplus/(deficit) for the year (Repayments)/advances of restricted funds	1,118 - —————	2,065 (160,000)
Opening Members' funds	1,118 13,187	(157,935) 171,122
Closing Members' funds	14,305	13,187

13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company has taken advantage of the permitted exemptions under FRS 8, whereby transactions between companies, 90% or more of whose voting rights are controlled within the group, are not required to be disclosed as related party transactions.