

Accountants, Business and Tax Consultants

Buro Happold Consulting Engineers Limited

Directors' Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 April 2001



Company Information

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M G T Dickson

T A Ealey
J E Pugh
P Dalglish
P Kelly

Secretary T A Ealey

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Directors' Report for the year ended 30 April 2001

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 30 April 2001.

Principal Activity and Review of the Business

The principal activity of the company continues to be that of the provision of consulting engineering services.

Results And Dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 4.

The directors do not recommend payment of a final dividend.

Directors and their Interests

The directors who served during the year and their interests in the company are as stated below:

		Ord	inary shares
		30 April 2001	1 May 2000 or date of appointment
J Morrison		-	<u>.</u>
M G T Dickson		-	-
T A Ealey		-	-
J E Pugh		-	-
P Dalglish	(Appointed 23/10/00)	-	-
P Kelly		-	-
P A McLaughlin	(Resigned 23/10/00)	-	-
J Young	(Resigned 23/10/00)	-	-

Directors' Responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that year. In preparing these the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and 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 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

The company has by elective resolution under Section 386(1) of the Companies Act 1985 dispensed with the annual re-appointment of the auditors. Richardson Groves will be deemed to be re-appointed for each succeeding financial year.

Directors' Report for the year ended 30 April 2001

This report was approved by the Board on $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{M}}$ and signed on its behalf by

T A Ealey Secretary

Auditors' Report to the Shareholders of Buro Happold Consulting Engineers Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 14 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 7.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 1 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

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 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 April 2001 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Richardson Groves

Accountants and Registered Auditor

Cleveland House Sydney Road Bath BA2 6NR

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Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 30 April 2001

		Continuing operations	
		2001	2000
	Notes	£	£
Turnover	2	1,532,998	3,973,357
Administrative expenses		(2,097,054)	(3,690,293)
Operating (loss)/profit	3	(564,056)	283,064
Interest receivable and similar income Interest payable	4	-	476
and similar charges	5	(685)	(3,540)
(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before taxation		(564,741)	280,000
Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	7	(37,623)	(113,021)
(Loss)/retained profit for the	year	(602,364)	166,979
Retained profit brought forwar	d	1,074,166	907,187
Retained profit carried forwa	ard	471,802	1,074,166

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the profit or loss for the above two financial years.

Balance Sheet as at 30 April 2001

	200)1	200	00
Notes	£	£	£	£
8		8,273		14,605
9	8,048,830		8,712,308	
	16,535		78,216	
	8,065,365		8,790,524	
10	(7,107,951)		(7,237,078)	
		957,414		1,553,446
		- -		-
		965,687		1,568,051
11		6,115		6,115
		971,802		1,574,166
12		500,000		500,000
		471,802		1,074,166
13		971,802		1,574,166
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The financial statements were approved by the Board on Mut () and signed on its behalf by

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Cash Flow Statement for the year ended 30 April 2001

		2001	2000
	Notes	£	£
Reconciliation of operating (loss)/profit to net cash inflow from operating activities			
Operating (loss)/profit		(564,056)	283,064
Depreciation		4,677	15,621
Decrease in debtors		682,122	(117,870)
Increase in creditors		14	(42,375)
Net cash inflow from operating activities		122,757	138,440
CASH FLOW STATEMENT			
Net cash inflow from operating activities		122,757	138,440
Returns on investments and servicing of finance	15	(685)	(3,064)
Taxation	15	(117,722)	(114,728)
Capital expenditure	15	1,655	(3,896)
		6,005	16,752
Financing	15	(83,272)	23,716
Decrease in cash in the year		(77,267)	40,468
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net	funds (Note 16)		
Decrease in cash in the year		(77,267)	40,468
Cash outflow from increase in debts and lease financia	ng	83,272	(23,716)
Change in net funds resulting from cash flows		6,005	16,752
Net debt at 1 May 2000		(5,056)	(21,808)
Net funds at 30 April 2001		949	(5,056)
			

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 April 2001

1. Accounting Policies

1.1. Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

1.2. Turnover

Turnover represents the amount derived from the provision of goods and services which fall within the group's ordinary activities, stated net of value added tax.

1.3. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings

and equipment

25% Straight Line

Motor vehicles

25% Straight Line

1.4. Leasing

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

1.5. Long term contracts

Amounts recoverable on long term contracts, which are included in debtors are stated at the net sales value of the work done after provisions for contingencies and anticipated future losses on contracts, less amounts received as progress payments on account. Excess progress payments are included in creditors as on account.

1.6. Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred taxation using the liability method to take account of timing differences between the incidence of income and expenditure for taxation and accounting purposes except to the extent that the directors consider that a liability to taxation is unlikely to materialise.

1.7. Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange prevailing at the accounting date. Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the date of the transactions. All differences are taken to the Profit and Loss account.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 April 2001

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2. Turnover

Turnover represents the principle activity which is split between the following geographical areas:

		2001 £	2000 £
	Geographical market		
	UK	-	-
	Rest of the World	1,532,998	3,973,357
		1,532,998	3,973,357
	All profits and net assets relate to markets outside of the UK.		
3.	Operating (loss)/profit	2001	2000
		£	£
	Operating (loss)/profit is stated after charging: Depreciation of tangible assets	6,332	15,621
	Operating lease rentals	•,	,-
	- Land and buildings	188,773	262,299
	Auditors' remuneration	500	500
	and after crediting:		
	Profit on disposal of tangible fixed assets	1,655	-
	Profit on foreign currencies	3,980	(3,974)
4.	Interest receivable and similar income	2001	2000
7.	Therese receivable and similar income	£	£
	Bank interest	-	<u>476</u>
5.	Interest payable and similar charges	2001	2000
		£	£
	On bank loans and overdrafts	685	3,540

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 April 2001

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6. Employees

The average monthly numbers of employees (including the directors) during the year were:

(including the directors) during the year were:	2001	2000
Technical staff	23	34
Administration staff	3	3
	26	37
Employment costs	2001 £	2000 £
Wages and salaries	325,020	518,561
Taxation	2001	2000 £
UK current year taxation		T.
-	-	82,500
Overseas taxation	•	79,000
Double taxation relief	-	(79,000)
Transfer to deferred taxation	•	(6,115)
	-	76,385
Prior years		
UK Corporation Tax	37,623	36,636
	37,623	113,021
	Employment costs Wages and salaries Taxation UK current year taxation UK Corporation Tax Overseas taxation Double taxation relief Transfer to deferred taxation	Technical staff 23 Administration staff 3 Employment costs 2001 Employment costs 2001 Employment costs 325,020 Taxation 2001 UK current year taxation UK Corporation Tax - Overseas taxation - Double taxation relief - Transfer to deferred taxation

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8.	Tangible fixed assets	Fixtures, fittings equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
		£	£	£
	Cost At 1 May 2000 Disposals	144,256 -	84,579 (11,003)	228,835 (11,003)
	At 30 April 2001	144,256	73,576	217,832
	Depreciation At 1 May 2000 On disposals Charge for the year	131,806 - 4,177	82,424 (11,003) 2,155	214,230 (11,003) 6,332
	At 30 April 2001	135,983	73,576	209,559
	Net book values At 30 April 2001 At 30 April 2000	8,273 12,450	2,155	8,273
9.	Debtors		2001 £	2000 £
	Trade debtors Amounts recoverable on long term contracts Amounts owed by group undertakings Other debtors Prepayments and accrued income		1,337,223 39,412 6,641,301 4,921 25,973	1,348,631 26,270 7,307,590 3,844 25,973

8,048,830

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10.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2001 £	2000 £
	Bank overdraft	15,586	-
	Bank loan	-	83,272
	Amounts owed to group undertaking	7,085,851	7,067,207
	Corporation tax	<u>-</u>	80,099
	Accruals and deferred income	6,514	6,500
		7,107,951	7,237,078
			

11. Provisions for liabilities and charges

Deferred tax is analysed over the following timing differences:

		Provid	led
		2001 £	2000 £
	Accelerated capital allowances	(6,115)	(6,115)
	Movements on the provision for deferred taxation are:		
		2001 £	2000 £
	At 1 May 2000	(6,115)	-
	Transferred from profit and loss account	-	(6,115)
	At 30 April 2001	(6,115)	(6,115)
12.	Share capital	2001 £	2000 £
	Authorised equity		
	500,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	500,000	500,000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid equity		
	500,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	500,000	500,000

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13.	Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds		
		2001	2000
		£	£
	(Loss)/profit for the year	(602,364)	166,979
	Opening shareholders' funds	1,574,166	1,407,187
		971,802	1,574,166
14.	Financial commitments		
14.	r mancial commitments	2001	2000
		2001 £	2000 £
	Expiry date:	d-	£
	Within one year	120,000	200,000
15			
15.	Gross Cash Flows		
		2001	2000
		£	£
	Returns on investments and servicing of finance		
	Interest received	•	476
	Interest paid	(685)	(3,540)
		(685)	(3,064)
	Taxation		
	Corporation tax paid	(117,722)	(114,728)
	Capital expenditure		
	Payments to acquire tangible assets	-	(3,896)
	Receipts from sales of tangible assets	1,655	-
		1,655	(3,896)
	Financing		
	New short term bank loan	-	63,025
	Repayment of short term bank loan	(83,272)	(39,309)

(83,272)

23,716

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16. Analysis of changes in net funds

	Opening balance	Cash flows	Closing balance
	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand Overdrafts	78,216 -	(61,681) (15,586)	16,535 (15,586)
	78,216	(77,267)	949
Debt due within one year	(83,272)	83,272	-
Net funds	(5,056)	6,005	949

17. Related party transactions

The following related party balances existed at the year end:

	2001	2000
	£	£
Debtors:		
Buro Happold Engineers Limited	6,301,114	6,977,346
Happold Ingenieurburo GmbH	140,336	140,336
FTL Happold Inc	~	-
Buro Happold Polska SP.ZOO	9,237	9,237
Buro Happold New York	122,260	112,226
Buro Happold Malaysia	68,354	68,353
Creditors:		
Buro Happold Limited	5,081,157	5,231,692
Buro Happold Partnership	1,863,081	1,763,081
Buro Happold International Limited	141,613	72,434

Buro Happold Engineers Limited is the parent company. Consolidated accounts for this group are filed at Companies House.

All other related parties are entities under the same control as Buro Happold Consulting Engineers Limited

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18. Ultimate parent undertaking

The company's ultimate parent undertaking at the balance sheet date was Buro Happold Partnership, an unincorporated business based in England.

The only group of which the company is a member for which group accounts are drawn up is Buro Happold Engineers Limited. Copies of these accounts are available from Companies House.