

Highbank Private Hospital Limited

Directors' report and financial statements

31 May 1998

Registered number 2049088



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Directors' report

The directors present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 May 1998.

Principal activity

The company has remained dormant during the year .

Directors and directors' interests

The directors who held office during the year and their interests in the ordinary share capital of the company were as follows:

MM Bradford
M A Kelshaw (resigned 19 June 1998)
N Thody
N Priestly (resigned 8 January 1998)
P H Easterman (resigned 3 April 1998)
S J Purse (appointed 13 May 1998)

In accordance with the articles of association, no directors retire by rotation.

None of the directors who held office at the end of the financial year had any disclosable interest in the shares of the company or of Highbank Health Care Limited, the immediate parent company. The interests of MM Bradford in the share capital and share options of Westminster Health Care Holdings PLC, the ultimate parent company, are disclosed in the accounts of that company. The interests of the other directors in the share capital and share options of Westminster Health Care Holdings PLC are set out below:

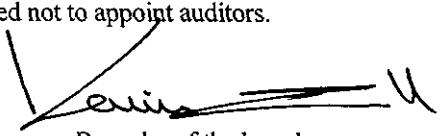
	At start of period	Granted during period	Exercised during period	At end of period	Exercise price	Market price on date of exercise	Date from which exercisable	Expiry date
M Kelshaw	10,000	-	-	10,000	305p	-	21/3/99	20/3/2006

The closing market price of Westminster Health Care Holdings PLC's ordinary shares on 31 May 1998 was 303.5p and the range during the year to that date was 411.5p to 238.5p.

Auditors

In accordance with Section 250 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution has been passed not to appoint auditors.

48 Leicester Square
London WC2H 7WH
19 April 1999


By order of the board
K D O'Connell
Secretary

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Directors' responsibilities in respect of the preparation of 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 for the year. 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;
- 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 have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

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Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 May 1998

During the financial year and the preceding financial year the company did not trade and received no income and incurred no expenditure. Consequently, during those years the company made neither a profit or a loss.

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Balance sheet at 31 May 1998

	Note	1998 £'000	1997 £'000
Current assets			
Debtors - amounts owed by Group undertakings		351	351
Net assets		<u>351</u>	<u>351</u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	2	-	-
Profit and loss account		351	351
Shareholders' funds		<u>351</u>	<u>351</u>

The company was dormant throughout the financial year.

Approved by the board of directors on 19 April 1999 and signed on its behalf by:



S J Purse
Director

The notes on page 5 form part of these financial statements

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Notes forming part of the financial statements

1. Accounting policies

The following principal accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost accounting rules.

The related party transactions note included in the consolidated financial statements of the ultimate parent undertaking complies with the conditions of Financial Reporting Standard No.8 (FRS8) 'Related Party Transactions'. The company is therefore exempt under FRS8 from the requirement to prepare a separate note.

2. Called up share capital

	1998 Number	1997 Number
Authorised		
Ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
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Allotted and fully paid		
Ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
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3. Control and ultimate parent company

The company is a subsidiary undertaking of and is controlled by Westminster Health Care Holdings PLC, which is incorporated in England and registered in England and Wales. Westminster Health Care Holdings PLC heads the largest and the smallest higher group of undertakings for which group financial statements are prepared and of which the company is a member. Copies of these financial statements are available to the public and may be obtained from its Company Secretary at 48 Leicester Square London WC2H 7WH.