

Catering Partnership Limited

Report and Financial Statements

Year Ended 30 June 2001



Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2001

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Directors

H Gadsden A J Coombs

Secretary and registered office

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Company number

2108452

Accountants and Business Advisers

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Auditor

Blueprint Audit Limited, Eastgate House, 19 Humberstone Road, Leicester LE5 3GJ.

Report of the directors for the year ended 30 June 2001

The directors present their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2001.

Results and dividends

The profit and loss account is set out on page 4.

The directors recommend an ordinary dividend amounting to £138,000 (2000: £38,000).

Principal activity, trading review and future developments

The principle activity of the company during the year continued to be the provision of contract catering services.

The directors are satisfied with the results for the year which show improved levels of profitability arising principally through operational efficiencies. The directors are confident of future prospects for the company.

Directors

The directors of the company during the year were:

H Gadsden

A J Coombs

No director had any interest in the ordinary shares of the company.

H Gadsden is also a director of the ultimate parent company, Catering Partnership (Holdings) Limited. His interests in the share capital of that company are shown in its financial statements.

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 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 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.

Report of the directors for the year ended 30 June 2001 (Continued)

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Having reviewed its commercial and accounting transactions the company is managing the impact of the single currency.

Auditor

Crowfoot and Company resigned as auditor during the year. The directors appointed Blueprint Audit Limited in their place.

Blueprint Audit Limited have expressed their willingness to continue in office and a resolution to re-appoint them will be proposed at the annual general meeting.

By order of the Board

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B J Wilkes **Secretary**

29 January 2002



Independent auditor's report to the shareholders of Catering Partnership Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Catering Partnership Limited for the year ended 30 June 2001 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with 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. This other information comprises only the Directors' Report. 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 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 consider 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 June 2001 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Blueprint Audit Limited

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Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditor

Leicester

29 January 2002

Profit and loss account for the year ended 30 June 2001

	Note	2001 £	2000 £
Turnover	2	6,630,823	6,766,031
Cost of sales		5,509,349	5,832,925
Gross profit		1,121,474	933,106
Administrative expenses Other operating income		1,025,155 294,785	869,599 139,388
Operating profit	5	391,104	202,895
Interest receivable Interest payable	6	4,905 3,470	5,441 8,797
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		392,539	199,539
Taxation on profit on ordinary activities	7	112,092	45,056
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		280,447	154,483
Dividends	8	138,000	38,000
Retained profit for the year	16	142,447	116,483

All amounts relate to continuing activities.

All recognised gains and losses are included in the profit and loss account.

The notes on pages 7 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

Balance sheet at 30 June 2001

	Note 2001		20	00	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	9		86,086		72,004
Current assets					
Stocks	10	52,368		84,680	
Debtors	11	1,503,584		1,506,241	
Cash at bank and in hand		115,007		28,244	
		1,670,959		1,619,165	
Creditors: amounts falling due					
within one year	12	1,186,202		1,250,593	
Net current assets			484,757		368,572
Total assets less current liabilities			570,843		440,576
Creditors: amounts falling due					
after more than one year	13		6,548		20,894
Provision for liabilities and charges	14		5,108		2,942
Net assets			559,187		416,740
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	15		8,000		8,000
Profit and loss account	16		551,187		408,740
Shareholders' funds	17		559,187		416,740

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 29 January 2002.

H Gadsden Director

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Cash flow statement for the year ended 30 June 2001

	Note	200 £	01 £	20 £	00 £
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operat activities	ing 22		347,420		(194,278)
Returns on investments and servicing of finance Interest received Interest paid Interest element of hire purchase agree	eements	4,905 (2,372) (1,098)		5,441 (6,633) (2,164)	
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from return on investments and servicing of fina			1,435		(3,356)
Taxation UK corporation tax paid			(46,772)		(47,782)
Capital expenditure and financial investment Purchase of tangible fixed assets Sale of tangible fixed assets		(52,036) 5,400		(31,682) 5,000	
			(46,636)		(26,682)
Equity dividends paid			(138,000)		(38,000)
Cash inflow/(outflow) before financing	ng		117,447		(310,098)
Financing Bank loan Capital element of hire purchase	24	(32,211)		48,489	
agreements	24	(5,278)		(9,899)	
			(37,489)		38,590
Increase/(decrease) in cash	24		79,958		(271,508)

The notes on pages 7 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2001

1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and are in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

Turnover

Turnover represents sales to outside customers at invoiced amounts less value added tax.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost, less estimated residual values, of all fixed assets over their expected useful lives. It is calculated at the following rates, on a reducing balance basis:

Property improvements -		10%
Computer equipment -		25%
Office equipment, fixtures and fittings -	-	15%
Motor vehicles -		30%

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is based on the cost of purchase on a first in, first out basis. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less additional costs to completion and disposal.

Hire purchase agreements

Where assets are financed by hire purchase agreements, the assets are treated as if they had been purchased outright. The amount capitalised is the present value of the payments payable during the agreement term. The corresponding amounts payable are shown as creditors. Depreciation on the relevant assets is charged to the profit and loss account.

Hire purchase payments are analysed between capital and interest components so that the interest element of the payment is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the agreement and represents a constant proportion of the balance of capital repayments outstanding. The capital part reduces the amounts shown as creditors.

Operating leases

Annual rentals under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account as incurred.

Deferred taxation

Provision is made for timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes to the extent that it is probable that a liability will crystallise.

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2001 (Continued)

1 Accounting policies (continued)

Pension costs

Contributions to the company's defined contribution pension scheme are charged to the profit and loss account in the year in which they become payable.

2 Turnover

Turnover is wholly attributable to the principal activity of the company and arises solely within the United Kingdom.

	2001 £	2000 £
Staff costs, including directors, comprise:		
Wages and salaries	2,870,318	2,944,684
Social security costs	164,400	199,040
Other pension costs	3,347	2,589
	3,038,065	3,146,313

The average weekly number of employees, including directors, during the year was as follows:

		Number	Number
	Catering staff Head office	327 26	359 25
	Tread office	353	384

4	Directors	2001 £	2000 £
	Directors' emoluments consist of:		
	Remuneration for management services Payments to defined contribution pension scheme	62,102 1,143	63,265 926
		63,245	64,191

There was 1 (2000: 1) director in the company's defined contribution pension scheme during the year.

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2001 (Continued)

5	Operating profit		
		2001 £	2000 £
	This has been arrived at after charging:	4	-
	Depreciation - owned assets - assets held under hire purchase agreements Operating leases - motor vehicles and equipment Operating leases - land and buildings Auditor's remuneration Loss on disposal of fixed assets	25,799 - 59,335 26,575 6,000 6,755	17,157 1,903 38,912 10,000 5,000 7,441
6	Interest payable	·	<u> </u>
	Bank Hire purchase	2,372 1,098	6,633 2,164
		3,470	8,797
7	Taxation on profit on ordinary activities		
	UK corporation tax: Current year Prior year Transfer to deferred taxation	111,000 (1,074) 2,166	47,846 (3,182) 392
		112,092	45,056
8	Dividends		
	Ordinary dividends paid	138,000	38,000
			

Tangible fixed assets

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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2001 (Continued)

Office equipment,				
Property improvements £	•		Motor vehicles £	Total £
-	63,562	51,630	42,015	157,207
14,508	20,311	17,217	-	52,036
-	(12,063)	(370)	(42,015)	(54,448)
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14,508 154,795 71,810 68,477 At 30 June 2001 Depreciation At 1 July 2000 36,902 85,203 20,191 28,110 Provided for the year 725 14,205 9,119 1,750 25,799 Disposals (12,063)(29,860)(42,293)(370)

At 30 June 2001 725 39,044 28,940 - 68,709

Net book value
At 30 June 2001 13,783 32,766 39,537 - 86,086

At 30 June 2000 - 26,660 31,439 13,905 72,004

The net book value of tangible fixed assets includes an amount of £5,569 (2000: £6,552) in respect of assets held under hire purchase agreements.

10 Stocks

	2001 £	2000 £
Goods held for resale	52,368	84,680
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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2001 (Continued)

11	Debtors		
		2001	2000
		£	£
	Trade debtors	482,326	559,353
	Amounts due from parent company	737,261	810,782
	Other debtors	12,241	6,785
	Called up share capital not paid	5,000	5,000
	Prepayments and accrued income	266,756	124,321
		1,503,584	1,506,241
			
12	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
	Bank loan and overdrafts	114,977	129,474
	Trade creditors	468,536	658,298
	Obligations under hire purchase agreements	3,437	5,278
	Corporation tax	111,000	47,846
	Other taxes and social security	203,172	212,864
	Other creditors	167,985	136,525
	Accruals	117,095	60,308
		1,186,202	1,250,593
13	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		
	Bank loan	5,476	16,385
	Obligations under hire purchase agreements	1,072	4,509
		6,548	20,894

The bank loan and overdrafts are secured by a fixed and floating charge over the assets of the company. The bank loan bears interest at 2% above the bank base rate.

Bank loan and hire purchase agreement obligations fall due as follows:

	2001		2000		
	Bank Ioan £	Hire purchase agreements £	Bank Ioan £	Hire purchase agreements £	
Within one year Between one and two years Between two and five years	10,802 2,346 3,130	3,437 1,072 -	32,104 10,908 5,477	5,278 3,437 1,072	
	16,278	4,509	48,489	9,787	

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2001 (Continued)

14	Provision for liabilities and charges				
	Deferred taxation			2001 £	2000 £
	Accelerated capital allowances			5,108	2,942
	Deferred taxation movements are:				£
	At 1 July 2000 Transfer from profit and loss account				2,942 2,166
	At 30 June 2001				5,108
	There are no amounts of unprovided defer	red taxation.			
15	Share capital				
		2001 Number	Author 2000 Number	2001 £	2000 £
	Ordinary shares of £1 each 'A' ordinary shares of £1 each	5,000 5,000	5,000 5,000	5,000 5,000	5,000 5,000
		10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
			tted, called u	•	•
		2001 Number	2000 Number	2001 £	2000 £
	Ordinary shares of £1 each 'A' ordinary shares of £1 each	3,000 5,000	3,000 5,000	3,000 5,000	5,000 5,000

The "A" ordinary shares carry no voting rights and no rights in the event of any winding up of the company other that repayment of capital.

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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2001 (Continued)

16	Profit and loss account		
	Tront and 1000 dooding		£
	At 1 July 2000		408,740
	Profit for the year		142,447
	At 30 June 2001		551,187
		2001 £	2000 £
17	Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds		
	Profit on ordináry activities after taxation	280,447	154,483
	Dividends	138,000	38,000
		142,447	116,483
	Opening shareholders' funds	416,740	300,257
	Closing shareholders' funds	559,187	416,740
			
	Equity interests	554,187	411,740
	Non-equity interests	5,000	5,000
		559,187	416,740
			

18 Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund.

19 Capital commitments

	2001 £	2000 £
Contracted but not provided	73,596	-
		

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2001 (Continued)

20 Commitments under operating leases

At 30 June, the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below:

	2001 £	2000 £
Operating leases which expire:	-	_
Within one year	3,460	12,245
In two to five years	2,592	22,385
	6,052	34,630

21 Related Party Transactions

During the year, the company purchased goods and services of £75,561 (2000: £45,659) from Midland Catering Equipment, a business owned by Mr H Gadsden. Also during the year the company charged Midland Catering Equipment for services to the sum of £22,900 (2000: £Nil). At 30 June 2001 the company owed Midland Catering Equipment £7,266 (2000: £8,953). The company also had loans outstanding to Midland Catering Equipment of £3,102 (2000: £2,852). All transactions were conducted on an arms length basis on normal trading terms.

A balance due to Mr H Gadsden of £906 (2000: £3,650) is included within other creditors at 30 June 2001.

Management charges payable to Catering Partnership (Holdings) Limited amounting to £165,000 (2000: £118,000) have been included in these financial statements. Catering Partnership (Holdings) Limited charged the company rent at £18,515 (2000: £Nil) during the year. These transactions were co-ordinated on an arms length basis on normal trading terms.

22 Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities

	2001 £	2000 £
Operating profit	391,104	202,895
Depreciation	25,799	19,060
Loss on sale of fixed assets	6,755	7,441
Decrease/(increase) in stocks	32,312	(11,454)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	2,657	(390,394)
(Decrease) in creditors	(111,207)	(21,826)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	347,420	(194,278)
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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2001 (Continued)

23 Reconciliation of net cash inflow/(outflow) to movement in net debt 2000 2001 £ £ Increase/(decrease) in cash in the year 79,958 (271,508)Cash outflow/(inflow) from decrease/(increase) in debt and hire purchase agreements 37,489 (37,701)Change in net debt resulting from cash flows 117,447 (309,209)New hire purchase agreements (12,817)117,447 (322,026)Movement in net debt in the year Opening net debt (127,402)194,624 Closing net debt (9,955)(127,402)24 Analysis of net debt

	At 1 July	Cash	At 30 June
	2000	flow	2001
	£	£	£
Cash in hand and at bank	28,244	86,763	115,007
Overdraft	(97,370)	(6,805)	(104,175)
	(69,126)	79,958	10,832
Debt due within one year	(32,104)	21,302	(10,802)
Debt due after one year	(16,385)	10,909	(5,476)
Obligations under hire purchase agreements	(9,787)	5,278	(4,509)
Net debt	(127,402)	117,447	(9,955)
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25 Contingent liability

The company has entered into a cross guarantee with its parent company, Catering Partnership (Holdings) Limited in respect of bank borrowings.

26 Ultimate parent company

At 30 June 2001 the company's ultimate parent company was Catering Partnership (Holdings) Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.

27 Controlling party

The company is controlled by H Gadsden, by virtue of his interest in the entire issued equity share capital of Catering Partnership (Holdings) Limited.

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