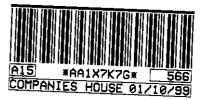
BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR COUNSELLING REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1999



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REPORT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1999

Company Status

The British Association for Counselling is a company limited by guarantee, without a share capital, and is governed by Trustees known as the Management Committee. The governing document is a Memorandum and Articles of Association.

The British Association for Counselling is a registered charity. The company registration number is 2175320

The registered office address is 1 Regent Place, Rugby, CV21 2PJ

The charity registration number is 298361

Group Structure

The British Association for Counselling has a wholly owned subsidiary called BAC Advertising Limited.

This subsidiary receives the income from advertisements placed in the "Counselling" Journal and Divisional Newsletters produced by the British Association for Counselling.

Organisational Structure

The British Association for Counselling has undergone a structural review during the financial year.

In March 1999 the Management Committee agreed the broad principle of the structural review as proposed by the Structural Review Committee. The new structure is due to be implemented in late 1999.

Objectives

The main objectives of the Association are:

- to promote and provide education and training for counsellors working in either professional or voluntary settings, whether full or part-time, with a view to raising the standards of counselling for the benefit of the community and in particular for those who are the recipients of counselling; and
- to advance the education of the public in the part that counselling can play generally and in particular to
 meet the needs of those members of society where development and participation in society is impaired by
 mental, physical or social handicap or disability.

There has been no significant change in these objectives during the year.

REPORT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1999

Policies in Relation to Objectives

The progress towards achieving these objectives is described in the reports of the British Association for Counselling Officers, Committees and Divisions. The following policies have been agreed by the Management Committee, in consultation with Membership, to further the objectives of the Association:-

- To provide for members, accreditation schemes for counsellors, for the trainers of counsellors and those using counselling skills, for supervisors, and for counselling courses and counselling skill courses.
- To provide conferences, seminars and training events for members and non-members, on matters relating to the practice and provision of counselling and counselling related matters.
- To engage with others in the development of National Vocational Qualifications in Counselling, Advice, Mediation, Psychotherapy, Advocacy and Guidance.
- To take legal and financial responsibility for the establishment and development of the United Kingdom Register of Counsellors within the Association.
- To establish Codes of Ethics & Practice for Counsellors, for Supervisors of Counsellors, for Trainers and for Counselling Skills, together with a Complaints Procedure to enforce them for the British Association for Counselling members.
- To provide bursaries for specific British Association for Counselling activities related to education and training which are not dependent on the British Association for Counselling membership.
- To engage in an active manner with counsellors and other cognate professions in the United Kingdom, world-wide and in particular those working inside the European Union, with a view to setting and raising the standards for the benefit of our communities.
- To promote research in the fields of counselling and psychotherapy.
- To be active in responding to crises experienced in the community.
- To provide an information service to the public and to members on the benefits of counselling, counselling related topics and how to access counsellors.
- To provide all the services of the Association to counsellors and those working in counselling related services.
- To pay honoraria to members for such services that cannot be obtained on a staffing or consultancy basis or from wholly voluntary input.
- To define a counsellor training brief with a view to positioning the Association in the field of counsellor training provision and policy, establishing competencies and qualifications for those entering the profession, establishing a career path for counsellors and enabling funding for the training of counsellors.

REPORT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1999

Management Committee

The Management Committee may be elected or co-opted according to the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the British Association for Counselling.

		Membership of
Name	Date of Change	Other Committees
Gabrielle Syme Chair		
Craig McDevitt Deputy Chair	Elected 18/9/98	Professional Committee European and International Affairs Committee United Kingdom Register Executive Committee
Ruth Archer		
George Buckton	Re-elected 18/9/98	
Linden Burdus	Co-opted 5/2/99	
Roberta Campbell	Resigned 18/9/98	
Jane Chisholm	Elected 18/9/98	
Catharina Duffels	Resigned 18/9/98	
Anthea Green		
Hannah Greenwood		National Training Initiative
Derek Hill		United Kingdom Register Executive Committee and Complaints Committee
Barbara Jackson	Resigned 18/9/98	
Anne Lord		Standards and Ethics PRG Executive resigned 4/12/98 Complaints Committee from 9/10/99
Arthur Musgrave		Standards and Ethics

Some members of the Management Committee are also members of other Committees as detailed above. Members of the Management Committee may attend other Committee meetings in their capacity as Liaison Officers.

All members of the Management Committee have been reimbursed for expenses incurred during the year amounting to £24,094 (1998 £20,253). The breakdown of this expenditure is as follows:

	£
Travelling expenses	22,843
Telephone	698
Photocopying, postages and miscellaneous expenses	553
	24,094

REPORT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1999

Management Committee Responsibilities

Company law requires the Management Committee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and group and of the surplus or deficit of the group for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Management Committee members are required to:-

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- (b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company and group will continue in business.

The Management Committee members are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and group and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985, the Charities Act 1993 and the revised Statement of Recommended Practice. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Results for the Year

The results for the year are set out in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities and the Consolidated Income and Expenditure Account on pages 8 and 9.

Development

Details regarding the development, activities and achievements of the Association during the year are many and details may be found in the Reports of the President, Chair and Chief Executive on pages.......

Financial Information

A review of the transactions and financial position of the charity can be found in the Treasurer's Report on page

Fixed Assets

Information relating to changes in the fixed assets is shown in note 14 to the accounts.

REPORT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1999

Post Balance Sheet Events

There have been no material post balance sheet events which require disclosure.

Officers Insurance

The company has effected Officers Liability Insurance. This insurance indemnifies any Officer against liability arising as a result of his/her negligence up to an aggregate liability of £1,000,000. The cost of this insurance amounted to £936 (1998 £1,040) for the year.

Auditors

A resolution will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting to re-appoint Atkinson, Finch & Co., who have signified their willingness to be re-appointed auditors of the company.

Professional Advisers

Auditors:

Atkinson Finch & Co.

Central Chambers 45-47 Albert Street

Rugby CV21 2SG

Bankers:

Lloyds Bank Plc

14 Church Street

Rugby CV21 3PL

Investment

Brokers:

Weinel & Partners Limited

10 Rosebery Avenue

London EC1R 4TD

Solicitors:

Brethertons

16 Church Street

Rugby CV21 3PW

Sinclair Taylor & Martin

9 Thorpe Close Portobello Road

London W10 5XL

REPORT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1999

Volunteers

Approximately 300 volunteers, who are all members of the British Association for Counselling, work on Committees and Working Groups of the British Association for Counselling, ultimately reporting to the Management Committee. All are involved in developing, implementing and monitoring policies in relation to professional practice and all other areas of the British Association for Counselling work.

Honoraria

Honoraria payments made during the year amounted to £54,278 (1998 £40,001).

Year 2000 Compliance

Every effort has been taken to ensure Year 2000 Compliance. A full year 2000 Compliance audit has been carried out by our hardware support company and assurance has been given by the new software supplier that the new software is fully compliant.

Research

British Association for Counselling does not currently undertake specific research projects. However, support is provided to the Research Network which contributes to various research projects on Counselling issues.

Small Company Exemptions

Advantage is taken in the preparation of the Report of the Management Committee of the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies.

Signed by Order of the Board,

K.J. Lewis Secretary.

9th July 1999

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

We have audited the financial statements on pages 8 to 18 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets and the accounting policies set out on page 12.

Respective Responsibilities of the Management Committee and Auditors

As described on page 4 the company's Management Committee members, who are also the directors of the British Association for Counselling for the purposes of company law, 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 Management Committee in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the group'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 and group's affairs as at 31st March 1999 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, in the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies and with the provisions of the Charities Act 1993.

Atkinson Finch & Co.

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

Date: 15th July 1999

45-47 Albert Street Rugby Warwickshire

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1999

		19	99		
		General	Designated		
	Note	Fund	Fund	Total	1998
		£	£	£	£
Income and Expenditure					
Incoming Resources:					
Net income from departments	2	933,770	(38,055)	895,715	806,054
Donations		2,824	-	2,824	4,147
Investment income	3	105,775	-	105,775	89,246
Net income of trading subsidiary	4	79,517	-	79,517	66,061
Other income	5	24,952	-	24,952	24,338
Total Incoming Resources		1,146,838	(38,055)	1,108,783	989,846
Resources Expended:					
Direct charitable expenditure:					
Support costs	6	703,667		703,667	527,757
Other expenditure:					
Establishment	7	69,074	-	69,074	72,368
Administration	8	206,711	-	206,711	175,492
Irrecoverable value added tax	9	27,199	-	27,199	20,987
		302,984		302,984	268,847
Total Resources Expended		1,006,651	<u> </u>	1,006,651	796,604
Net Incoming Resources before Transfers		140,187	(38,055)	102,132	193,242
Transfers to Designated Fund		(12,586)	12,586	-	-
Net Incoming Resources for the Year		127,601	(25,469)	102,132	193,242
Gains and Losses on Investments:					
Realised		3,630	-	3,630	(1,599)
Unrealised		(610)	-	(610)	43,259
Net Movement in Funds		130,621	(25,469)	105,152	234,902
Balances brought forward at 1st April 1998		1,281,743	25,469	1,307,212	1,072,310
Balances carried forward at 31st March 1999		1,412,364		1,412,364	1,307,212
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The Statement of Financial Activities incorporates the Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses and the Reconciliation of Funds required by FRS 3.

CONSOLIDATED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1999

			1000	 :	
	Note	£	1999 £	£	1998 £
Turnover	11		1,751,106		1,558,806
Cost of sales	·		750,922		662,353
Gross Surplus			1,000,184		896,453
Other operating costs Other operating income Irrecoverable value added tax	9	(977,915) 2,824 (27,199)		(777,338) 4,147 (20,987)	
			(1,002,290)		(794,178)
Operating Surplus (Deficit)			(2,106)		102,275
Adjustment on disposal of fixed assets Realised gains (losses) on investments Investment income	3	(1,537) 3,630 105,775		1,721 (1,599) 89,246	
			107,868	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	89,368
Surplus of Income Over Expenditure			105,762		191,643
Retained Surplus brought forward			1,257,906		1,066,263
Retained Surplus carried forward			1,363,668		1,257,906

Continuing Operations

None of the group's activities were acquired or discontinued during the above two financial years.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31ST MARCH 1999

	Note		1999		1998
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	14		166,690		126,518
Investments	15		540,702		234,753
			707,392		361,271
Current Assets					
Stocks	16	34,414		32,675	
Debtors	17	113,889		75,417	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,360,701		1,586,082	
		1,509,004		1,694,174	
Creditors					
Amounts falling due within one year	18	804,032		748,233	
Net Current Assets			704,972		945,941
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities			1,412,364		1,307,212
Capital and Reserves					
General fund	19		1,412,364		1,281,743
Designated fund	10		-		25,469
			1,412,364		1,307,212

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Signed on behalf of the Management Committee:

Cabrelle Syme

G. Syme, Chair. Approved by the Management Committee on 9th July 1999

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31ST MARCH 1999

	Note		1999		1998
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	14		166,690		126,518
Investments	15		540,702		234,753
			707,392		361,271
Current Assets					
Stocks	16	34,414		32,675	
Debtors	17	100,743		63,744	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,340,816		1,566,594	
		1,475,973		1,663,013	
Creditors					
Amounts falling due within one year	. 18	771,706		717,777	
Net Current Assets			704,267		945,236
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities			1,411,659		1,306,507
Capital and Reserves					
General fund	19		1,411,659		1,281,038
Designated fund	10		· -		25,469
			1,411,659		1,306,507

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Signed on behalf of the Management Committee:

Cabrelle Syme

G. Syme, Chair. Approved by the Management Committee on 9th July 1999

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1999

1. Accounting Policies

The following accounting policies have been used consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's accounts.

Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of listed investments to market value; and comply with all relevant Statements of Standard Accounting Practice and the Statement of Recommended Practice No. 2 "Accounting by Charities". All figures are exclusive of value added tax.

Basis of Consolidation

The group financial statements consolidate the financial statements of the company and its subsidiary.

Cash Flow

The accounts do not include a cash flow statement because the group, as a small reporting entity, is exempt from the requirement to prepare such a statement under Financial Reporting Standard 1 "cash flow statements".

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided so as to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of tangible fixed assets, over their estimated useful lives as follows:-

Leasehold properties - over the term of the lease

Computer equipment and accessories - 25% p.a. on cost
Office furniture and equipment - 20% p.a. on cost
Motor vehicles - over three years

Stocks

These are valued on a first in, first out basis, at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Investments

The policy is to invest in low risk investments, to provide both income, and an increase in the capital value of the investments.

Listed investments are stated at market value and investment income is accounted for when receivable.

Realised gains and losses are included in the Statement of Financial Activities and in the Income and Expenditure Account, whereas unrealised gains and losses are only included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Operating Leases

Operating lease rentals are charged to the Income and Expenditure Account on payment.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1999

1. Accounting Policies (continued)

Pensions

The company contributes towards the personal pension schemes of employees. Contributions are charged to the Income and Expenditure Account in the period in which they are made.

2. Net Income from Departments

			1999 Surplus/	1998 Surplus/
	Income	Expense	(Deficit)	(Deficit)
	£	£	£	£
Membership	1,154,312	227,161	927,151	832,158
Accreditation	157,639	136,492	21,147	(11,191)
Information and Publications	162,203	168,886	(6,683)	24,970
Audio Visual Aids	11,259	2,661	8,598	11,190
Education and Development	128,473	144,916	(16,443)	(2,911)
United Kingdom Register of Counsellors	32,751	70,806	(38,055)	(48,162)
	1,646,637	750,922	895,715	806,054
Investment Income				

3. Investment Income

	1999	1998
	£	£
Interest receivable	92,780	81,587
Dividends received	12,995	7,659
	105,775	89,246

4. Net Income of Trading Subsidiary

The Charity has a trading subsidiary called BAC Advertising Limited which is incorporated and operating in the United Kingdom. This company sells advertising space in the "Counselling" Journal produced by the British Association for Counselling and Divisional Newsletters. This company covenants its taxable profits to the British Association for Counselling. A summary of its trading results is shown below. Audited accounts have been filed with the Register of Companies.

	1999	1998
	£	£
Turnover	80,062	66,614
Administrative expenses	545	553
Net Profit	79,517	66,061
Amount covenanted to the British Association for Counselling	(79,517)	(66,061)
Retained Profit	<u>-</u>	

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1999

5. Other Income

Support Costs

6.

This includes £22,729 (1998 £21,273) received from the British Association for Counselling's Insurers, being based on the net insurance premiums paid by the British Association for Counselling members under the "Members Professional Liability Insurance Scheme" for the period ended 31st May 1998. This agreement was negotiated for the British Association for Counselling by its insurance brokers.

••	1999	1998
	£	£
Salaries, national insurance and pension contributions	356,808	263,431
Honoraria	14,185	7,470
Postages	43,996	40,248

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Printing and stationery	26,184	22,010
Public relations	22,355	19,116
Advertising and recruitment	52,422	11,041
Training	17,873	12,941

Annual General Meeting 19,155 24,736 150,689 Travelling and Committees 126,764

703,667 527,757

7. **Establishment Costs**

	£	£
Rent, rates and service charges	47,613	40,163
Lighting and heating	5,612	3,323
Insurance	4,371	3,915
Renairs and renewals	11 478	24 967

69,074 72,368

8.

Administration Costs		
Administration Costs	1999	1998
	£	£
Telephone	15,874	21,937
Computer maintenance and consumables	29,319	22,838
Office sundries	13,689	8,416
Professional fees	66,138	65,938
Auditors remuneration	4,400	4,400
Bank charges	6,299	5,409
Depreciation	69,455	48,275
Adjustment on disposal of fixed assets	1,537	(1,721)
	206.711	175,492

1998

1999

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1999

9. Irrecoverable Value Added Tax

As the membership subscriptions are exempt from value added tax, there is a restriction in the amount of input value added tax that the British Association for Counselling is allowed to reclaim on its expenses.

10. Designated Fund

The British Association for Counselling is responsible for the setting up and continued administration of the United Kingdom Register of Counsellors. This year the British Association for Counselling incurred a deficit of £38,055 with regard to the Register. A transfer has been made from the General Fund to the Designated Fund of £12,586 in order to clear the accumulated deficit arising.

11. Turnover

Turnover represents the total income of the Association from all sources apart from the donations and investment income. Turnover is stated exclusive of value added tax.

12.	Staff Numbers and Costs			1999	1998
	The average number of employees (including part-time staff) during the year was:-			1999	1998
	Administrative			38	37
				1999	1998
	The number of employees earning over £40,000 p.a. was as follows:-				
	£40,000 - £50,000				1
				1999	1998
				£	£
	The aggregate payroll costs amounted to:-				
	Wages and salaries			609,482	454,361
	Social security costs			52,580	41,755
	Other pension costs			22,783	19,525
				684,845	515,641
13.	Fees Payable to the Auditors				
	·	The Group		The Con	ıpany
		1999	1998	1999	1998
		£	£	£	£
	Relating to audit services	4,900	4,880	4,400	4,400
	Relating to non-audit services	4,925	2,125	4,925	2,125

9,825

7,005

6,525

9,325

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1999

14.	Tangible Fixed Assets (Group and	Computer	Office			
		equipment	furniture	Leasehold	Motor	
		& accessories	& equipment	property	Vehicles	Total
	-	£	£	£	£	£
	Cost	144 001	06 171	55,042		296,204
	At 1st April 1998 Additions	144,991 76,769	96,171 11,708	33,042	22,715	111,192
	Disposals	(13,232)	(562)	-	-	(13,794)
	At 31st March 1999	208,528	107,317	55,042	22,715	393,602
	At 51st March 1999	200,328	107,317			393,002
	Depreciation					
	At 1st April 1998	95,885	44,691	29,110	<u>.</u>	169,686
	Charge for the year	40,637	17,834	6,534	4,450	69,455
	Disposals	(11,745)	(484)	-	-	(12,229)
	At 31st March 1999	124,777	62,041	35,644	4,450	226,912
	Net Book Value					
	At 31st March 1999	83,751	45,276	19,398	18,265	166,690
	At 31st March 1998	49,106	51,480	25,932		126,518
5.	Investments (Group and Company	у)				
					1999 C	1998
	Market value at 1st April 1998				£ 232,964	£ 151,656
	Additions				232,904	97,745
	Disposals				(79,456)	(59,696)
	Disposats				389,991	189,705
	Unrealised gain on investments				6,625	43,259
	Market value at 31st March 1999				396,616	232,964
	Cash held by Investment Manager	s			144,086	1,789
					540,702	234,753
16.	Stocks (Group and Company)					
					1999	1998
	Dublications				£	£
	Publications				26,343	27,630
	Films and videos				980 7.001	1,073
	Printing and stationery				7,091	3,972
					34,414	32,675

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1999

17.	Debtors				
		The G	-	The Company	
		1999	1998	1999	1998
		£	£	£	£
	Trade debtors	17,127	14,588	3,981	3,071
	Other debtors	35,840	10,659	35,840	10,503
	Accrued interest receivable	23,085	25,733	23,085	25,733
	Prepayments	37,837	24,437	37,837	24,437
		113,889	75,417	100,743	63,744
18.	Creditors				
		The G	roup	The Company	
		1999	1998	1999	1998
		£	£	£	£
	Amounts falling due within one year:-				
	Trade creditors	101,735	118,520	101,735	118,520
	Payroll tax and social security costs	21,574	13,560	21,574	13,560
	Other creditors	11,092	3,607	6,954	906
	Accruals	21,110	44,670	20,609	44,190
	Prepaid income	56,894	34,882	37,606	14,061
		212,405	215,239	188,478	191,237
	Income tax payable	8,399	6,454	-	_
	Membership and United Kingdom				
	Register fees in advance	583,228	526,540	583,228	526,540
		804,032	748,233	771,706	717,777
19.	General Fund (Group and Company)			1000	4.000
				1999	1998
	The General Fund balance includes the unrealised Investment Reserve as follows:-			£	£
	Unrealised gains at 1st April 1998			49,337	4,594
	(Gains) and losses realised on				
	investments at 1st April 1998			(7,266)	1,484
				42,071	6,078
	Unrealised gains for the year			6,625	43,259
	Unrealised gains at 31st March 1999			48,696	49,337
	omenines Paulo at a set stranger 1888				17,551

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1999

20.	Capital Commitments (Group and Company)		
		1999	1998
		£	£
	Contracted for but not provided in the financial statements	52,744	
	Authorised but not yet contracted for	-	82,666
21	Operating Lease Commitments		

21. Operating Lease Commitments

At 31st March 1999 the company had annual commitments of £43,000 (1998 £43,000) under non-cancellable operating leases which expire as follows:

Land and buildings £ 43,000

Between 2 and 5 years

22. Contingent Liabilities

There were no material contingent liabilities at the balance sheet date (1998 Nil).