

ABER INSTRUMENTS LIMITED
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 JUNE 2020

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ABER INSTRUMENTS LIMITED
COMPANY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

DIRECTORS:

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D Anderson

REGISTERED OFFICE:

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REGISTERED NUMBER:

02213855 (England and Wales)

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ABER INSTRUMENTS LIMITED (REGISTERED NUMBER: 02213855)

**BALANCE SHEET
30 JUNE 2020**

	Notes	2020 £	£	2019 £	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	4		2,301,096		1,854,858
Investments	5		<u>8</u>		<u>8</u>
			2,301,104		1,854,866
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks		700,657		829,997	
Debtors	6	1,338,259		1,058,821	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>4,180,670</u>		<u>2,929,359</u>	
		6,219,586		4,818,177	
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	<u>842,434</u>		<u>757,582</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>5,377,152</u>		<u>4,060,595</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			<u>7,678,256</u>		<u>5,915,461</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital			20,615		5,822
Share premium	8		19,070		19,070
Treasury Shares	8		(3,272)		3,114
Other reserves	8		390,128		-
Retained earnings	8		<u>7,251,715</u>		<u>5,887,455</u>
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			<u>7,678,256</u>		<u>5,915,461</u>

The financial statements have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

In accordance with Section 444 of the Companies Act 2006, the Income Statement has not been delivered.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 18 December 2020 and were signed on its behalf by:

M P H Lee - Director

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Aber Instruments Limited is a private company, limited by shares, registered in England and Wales. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

The presentation currency of the financial statements is the Pound Sterling (£).

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" including the provisions of Section 1A "Small Entities" and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts include the Employee Benefit Trust (EBT). The EBT is classified as a intermediate payment arrangement, per FRS102 the other assets and liabilities of the intermediary shall be recognised as assets and liabilities of the sponsoring entity.

Included within the financial statements is the EBT bank balance plus the shares and reserves held by the trust.

Going Concern

After reviewing the company's forecasts and projections, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The company therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

Revenue

Revenue is recognised on despatch of goods.

Investments in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiary undertakings are recognised at cost.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Taxation

Taxation for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the Income Statement, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current or deferred taxation assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Current tax is recognised at the amount of tax payable using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

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2. **ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued**

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date.

Timing differences arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in financial statements. Deferred tax is measured using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the year end and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating result.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the company's pension scheme are charged to profit or loss in the period to which they relate.

Work in progress

Work in progress is valued at the cost of raw materials at the balance sheet date.

Research and development

Research and development expenditure is written off as incurred, except that development expenditure incurred, unless it meets FRS102 perquisites when it is capitalised and amortised over a reasonable period.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Freehold property	25-50 years
Plant and machinery	at varying rates on cost
Fixtures and fittings	at varying rates on cost

3. **EMPLOYEES AND DIRECTORS**

The average number of employees during the year was 40 (2019 - 37) .

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4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and buildings £	Plant and machinery etc £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 July 2019	1,344,586	1,327,301	2,671,887
Additions	496,241	186,531	682,772
At 30 June 2020	<u>1,840,827</u>	<u>1,513,832</u>	<u>3,354,659</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 July 2019	97,447	719,582	817,029
Charge for year	61,774	174,760	236,534
At 30 June 2020	<u>159,221</u>	<u>894,342</u>	<u>1,053,563</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 30 June 2020	<u>1,681,606</u>	<u>619,490</u>	<u>2,301,096</u>
At 30 June 2019	<u>1,247,139</u>	<u>607,719</u>	<u>1,854,858</u>

5. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Shares in group undertakings £
COST	
At 1 July 2019 and 30 June 2020	<u>8</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 30 June 2020	<u>8</u>
At 30 June 2019	<u>8</u>

6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2020 £	2019 £
Trade debtors	1,185,524	644,197
Other debtors	<u>152,735</u>	<u>414,624</u>
	<u>1,338,259</u>	<u>1,058,821</u>

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2020 £	2019 £
Trade creditors	199,841	342,054
Taxation and social security	35,553	31,210
Other creditors	<u>607,040</u>	<u>384,318</u>
	<u>842,434</u>	<u>757,582</u>

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8. RESERVES

	Retained earnings £	Share premium £	Treasury Shares £	Other reserves £	Totals £
At 1 July 2019	5,887,455	19,070	3,114	-	5,909,639
Profit for the year	1,804,231				1,804,231
Dividends	(214,971)				(214,971)
Purchase of own shares	-	-	-	(46,406)	(46,406)
Sale of shares in EBT	-	-	-	41,876	41,876
Donations to EBT	-	-	-	150,000	150,000
Adjustments	-	-	(6,386)	19,658	13,272
Employer Contributions	(225,000)	-	-	225,000	-
At 30 June 2020	<u>7,251,715</u>	<u>19,070</u>	<u>(3,272)</u>	<u>390,128</u>	<u>7,657,641</u>

A transfer between the reserves represent an employer contribution from Aber Instruments Ltd to the Employee Benefit Trust (EBT) during the year.

9. DISCLOSURE UNDER SECTION 444(5B) OF THE COMPANIES ACT 2006

The Report of the Auditors was unqualified.

Henry Lloyd-Davies (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Bevan Buckland LLP

10. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

On 1st September 2020 Aber Instruments Inc acquired the trade and assets of Bug lab LLC.

11. CONTROL

The company is controlled by an Employee Ownership Trust that holds the majority (55%) of shares in Aber Instruments Ltd. The Employee Ownership Trust is a static entity that always holds the controlling interest in order to ensure that the employees own the company and that government's criteria for employee ownership is always met.

The trustee of the Employee Ownership Trust is a corporate trustee called Aber Instruments Trustees Limited. This company is run by up to three directors, one of which represents the employees and carries the casting vote.

Aber Instruments Trustees Limited is also the corporate trustee for the Employee Benefit Trust and the Share Incentive Plan. These entities allow for the buying and selling of shares between employees and these two trusts. This allows employees to invest directly in their company, Aber Instruments Limited.

The Employee Benefit Trust (EBT) is viewed as an Intermediate payment arrangement per accounting legislation FRS102, within the standard it states that these arrangements result in the sponsoring entity (Aber Instruments Limited) having de facto control.

Per FRS 102 a parent organisation shall prepare consolidated financial statements that include the parent and any Special Purpose Entities that are controlled by the parent, as the entity is regarded as having de facto control over the Employee Benefit Trust, there is the requirement to recognise the assets and liabilities held by the EBT. The financial statement therefore include the results of the Aber Instruments Limited and the Employee Benefit Trust.

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