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AUDITOR

Deloitte LLP Bristol

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their annual report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2014. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

The directors have taken the advantage of the exemption available in s414B of the Companies Act 2006 in not preparing a Strategic Report.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES, REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS AND FUTURE PROSPECTS

The company's principal activities are those of a holding company and as a provider of prepaid funeral plans. During the year the number of prepaid funeral plans held increased by 13.5% (2013: 10%), whilst returns from other activities were satisfactory and enabled the company to fulfil its obligations to lenders and preference shareholders. The profit for the year after taxation amounted to £95,442 (2013: £84,443).

GOING CONCERN

In accordance with their responsibilities as directors, the directors have considered the appropriateness of the going concern basis for the preparation of the financial statements.

The company continues to be profitable, as well as having significant net assets, and is expected to be profitable and cash-generative over the next 12 months. The company also has sufficient overdraft facilities in place should they be required. As a consequence, the directors believe that the company is well placed to manage its business risks successfully despite the current uncertain economic outlook.

After making enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

DIRECTORS

The present membership of the Board is set out on page 1. All directors served throughout the year.

AUDITOR

Each of the persons who is a director at the date of approval of this report confirms that:

- (1) so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware; and
- the director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of s418 of the Companies Act 2006.

A resolution to reappoint Deloitte LLP as the company's auditor will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on behalf of the Board

26/11/14

P A Alderwick Director

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DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The directors are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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 these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; 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 adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and 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 2006. 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.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BRISTOL FUNERAL DIRECTORS LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Bristol Funeral Directors Limited for the year ended 31 July 2014 which comprise the profit and loss account, the statement of total recognised gains and losses, the note of historical cost profits and losses, the balance sheet and the related notes 1 to 21. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the annual report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 July 2014 and of its profit for the year then ended:
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime or take advantage of the small companies exemption from preparing a Strategic Report or in preparing the Directors' Report.

David Hedditch

David Hedditch (senior statutory auditor) for and on behalf of Deloitte LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor Bristol, United Kingdom

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For the year ended 31 July 2014

	Note	2014 £	2013 £
TURNOVER	2	224,550	213,700
Administrative expenses		(164,131)	(148,994)
OPERATING PROFIT	•	60,419	64,706
Interest receivable and similar income	4	49,344	37,746
Income from fixed asset investments	· 5	99,944	97,221
Interest payable and similar charges	. 6	(85,500)	(87,952)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES			
BEFORE TAXATION	7	124,207	111,721
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	8	(28,765)	(27,278)
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	18	95,442	84,443

All activities derive from continuing operations.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES For the year ended 31 July 2014

	2014 £	2013 £
Profit for the financial year Gain on revaluation of freehold property	95,442 -	84,443 225,359
Total recognised gains relating to the year	95,442	309,802
NOTE OF HISTORICAL COST PROFITS AND LOSSES For the year ended 31 July 2014	2014	2013 £
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation Difference between the historical cost depreciation charge and the actual depreciation charge for the year calculated on the revalued amount	124,207 20,810	111,721 16,798
Historical cost profit on ordinary activities before taxation	145,017	128,519
Historical cost profit for the year retained after taxation	116,252	101,241

BALANCE SHEET At 31 July 2014

	Note		2014	,	2013
	•	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	. 9	,	1,293,507		1,296,789
Investments	10 .		2,406,526		2,406,526
			3,700,033	•	3,703,315
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	11	37,342		33,842	
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE		•			
WITHIN ONE YEAR .	12	(129,773)		(194,997)	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES			(92,431)		(161,155)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT					
LIABILITIES CREDITIONS AMOUNTS FALLING DUE			3,607,602		3,542,160
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR	13		(916,526)		(946,526)
NET ASSETS		,	2,691,076		2,595,634
•					
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	17		100	•	100
Revaluation reserve	18		1,002,470		1,023,280
Profit and loss account	18		1,688,506		1,572,254
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	18		2,691,076		2,595,634
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These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies under section 450 Companies Act 2006 and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

The financial statements of Bristol Funeral Directors Limited, registered number 2302984, were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors

26/11/14.

P A Alderwick Director

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 July 2014

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom-Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities. The particular accounting policies adopted, which have been consistently applied in both the current and the prior financial year, are described below:

Basis of preparation

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention, modified for the revaluation of freehold properties.

Going concern

In accordance with their responsibilities as directors, the directors have considered the appropriateness of the going concern basis for the preparation of the financial statements.

The company continues to be profitable, as well as having significant net assets, and is expected to be profitable and cash-generative over the next 12 months. The company also has sufficient overdraft facilities in place should they be required. As a consequence, the directors believe that the company is well placed to manage its business risks successfully despite the current uncertain economic outlook.

After making enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Cash flow statement

The company has taken advantage of the exemption from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small company.

Group financial statements

The group qualifies as a small group under section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 and is therefore exempt from preparing group financial statements. The details of the subsidiary undertakings are contained in note 10 of these financial statements. These financial statements present information concerning the company, not the group.

Tangible fixed assets

Freehold properties are included within the financial statements at their current value. A minimum of one external valuation is completed every five years in order to comply with Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Entities.

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any provision for impairment. Depreciation is provided on cost or valuation in equal annual instalments over the estimated lives of the assets. The rates of depreciation are as follows:

Freehold properties

2.5% per annum straight-line

Short leasehold properties

period of lease

Investments

Investments held as fixed assets are stated at cost less provision for any impairment.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 July 2014

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Taxation

Current tax is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is provided in full on timing differences that result in an obligation at the balance sheet date to pay more tax, or a right to pay less tax, at a future date, at rates expected to apply when they crystallise based on current tax rates and law. Timing differences arise from the inclusion of items of income and expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those in which they are included in the financial statements. Deferred tax is not provided on timing differences arising from the revaluation of fixed assets where there is no commitment to sell the asset, or on unremitted earnings of subsidiaries and associates where there is no commitment to remit these earnings. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is regarded as more likely than not that they will be recovered. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

2.	TURNOVER	2014 £	2013 £
	Management fees charged to subsidiary undertakings Other fees	205,000 19,550	200,000
		224,550	213,700

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the UK net of VAT and other related taxes. Revenue is recognised when the right to the income has been earned.

3. INFORMATION REGARDING DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES

2014	2013
£	. £
36,054	35,140
ing the current and preceding year.	
•	
£	£
£ 36,054	£
	35,140 4,800
	36,054

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 July 2014

4.	INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR INCOME	2014 £	2013 £
	Interest received Interest received - Prepaid Funeral Fund (note 21)	7 49,337	6 37,740
		49,344	37,746
			
5.	INCOME FROM FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS	. 2014 £	2013 £
	Income from unlisted fixed asset investments	80,040 19,904	80,040 17,181
	Income from investments of Prepaid Funeral Fund (note 21)	99,944	97,221
6.	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES	2014 £	2013 £
	On bank loans and overdrafts Loan stock interest	9,000 76,500	52 11,400 76,500
	Preference share dividends	85,500	87,952
			
7.	PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	2014	2013
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging:	£	£
	Depreciation - owned assets Auditor's remuneration:	36,223	32,366
	- audit services - other services	6,369 1,777	6,000 1,440

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 July 2014

8.	TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	•	
		2014	2013
	Tax on profit on ordinary activities for the year	£	£
	UK corporation tax	28,500	26,800
	Adjustment in respect of previous periods	. (35)	(22)
		28,465	26,778
	Deferred taxation	300	500
		28,765	27,278
		· 	
	Factors affecting the tax charge	£	£
	Profit on ordinary activities before tax	124,207	111,721
	•	£	£
	Tax on profit on ordinary activities at standard rate		
	of 20.00% (2013: 20.00%)	24,841	22,344
	Factors affecting the charge:		
	Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	24,051	23,723
	Income not taxable for tax purposes	(19,862)	(18,942)
	Difference between capital allowances and depreciation for the period	653	(6)
•	Movement in short-term timing differences	(1,183)	(319)
	Adjustments to tax charge in respect of previous periods	(35)	(22)
	UK current corporation tax charge for the year	28,465	26,778

Company continues to pay tax at the small companies rate of 20%. No future changes are proposed to the small companies rate that will materially affect the future tax charge.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 July 2014

9.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	•	Short	
		Freehold	leasehold	Та4а1
		properties £	properties £	Total £
	Cost or valuation	4	*	<i>a.</i>
	At 1 August 2013	1,290,000	125,063	1,415,063
•	Additions	16,285	16,656	32,941
	Revaluation		10,000	22,5 11
,	At 31 July 2014	1,306,285	. 141,719	1,448,004
	Depreciation			
	At 1 August 2013	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	118,274	118,274
	Charge for the year	32,250	3,973	36,223
	Revaluation		•	
	At 31 July 2014	32,250	122,247	154,497
	Net book value			
	At 31 July 2014	1,274,035	19,472	1,293,507
			 .	 -
	At 31 July 2013	1,290,000	6,789	1,296,789

The company's freehold properties were revalued by Messrs Alder King, Chartered Surveyors, on 31 July 2013 in accordance with the RICS Appraisal and Valuation method. In their opinion, the open market value for the existing use at that time was £1,290,000 as compared with the net book amount of £1,064,641. The valuation has been incorporated in the balance sheet and any surplus over net book amount at the time of the valuation has been included as a revaluation reserve.

If stated under historical cost principles, prior to all revaluations, the comparable amounts for the total of freehold properties would be:

		2014	2013
		£	£
Cost		464,776	448,491
Accumulated depreciation	•	(193,211)	(181,771)
Net book value		271,565	266,720
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 July 2014

10. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

Summary	•	2014		2013	
,	No.	£	No.	£	
£1 Ordinary shares					
E C Alderwick & Son Limited	10,005	2,400,000	10,005	2,400,000	
Debril Limited	5,506	5,506	5,506	5,506	
Thomas Davis (Funeral Directors) Limited	1,020	1,020	1,020	1,020	
	16,531	2,406,526	16,531	2,406,526	
Investments in subsidiary undertakings			£	•	
Cost At 1 August 2013 and 31 July 2014			2,406,526		

The directors are of the opinion that the market value of the investments is in excess of cost.

Particulars of the 100% wholly-owned subsidiary undertakings

Company	Nature of business	Class of shares
E C Alderwick & Son Limited	Funeral Directors	Ordinary shares
Debril Limited	Dormant	Ordinary shares
Thomas Davis (Funeral Directors) Limited	Dormant	Ordinary shares

The capital and reserves and results for the last financial year of these undertakings were as follows:

		Capital and reserves	Profit for the year
	E C Alderwick & Son Limited	754,599	137,715
	Debril Limited	5,506	
	Thomas Davis (Funeral Directors) Limited	1,020	-
	·	·	
	All subsidiary companies are registered in England and Wales.		
11.	DEBTORS	2014	2013
11.	DEBTORS	2014 £	2013 £
11.		£	£
11.	Deferred tax (note 12)	£ 23,700	£ 24,000
11.		£	£

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 July 2014

12.	DEFERRED TAX ASSETS	2014 £	2013 £
	Provision at beginning of year	24,000	24,500
	Deferred tax charge in the P&L for the period	(491)	(500)
	Adjustment in respect of prior years	191	-
1	At end of year	23,700	24,000
		£	£
	Accelerated capital allowances	1,100	400
	Other timing differences	22,600	23,600
	Total deferred tax	23,700	24,000

The reduction in the main rate of corporation tax to 20% was substantively enacted in July 2013 and, accordingly, the closing deferred tax balances have been calculated at the rate of 20%.

Deferred tax has not been provided on revaluations of fixed assets. This tax will only become payable if the assets are sold and rollover relief is not obtained. The estimated amount of tax that would become payable in these circumstances is £98,000 (2013: £107,000).

13.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2014	2013
		£	£
	Unsecured loan stock	30,000	30,000
٠.	Amount owed to group undertakings	59,526	123,451
	Corporation tax payable	21,347	22,206
	Accruals and deferred income	18,900	19,340
		129,773	194,997
		•	
14.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONI	E YEAR	
		2014	2013
		£	£
	Unsecured loan stock	60,000	90,000
	Amounts owed to group undertakings	6,526	6,526
	'A' cumulative redeemable preference shares	525,000	525,000
	'B' cumulative redeemable preference shares	325,000	325,000
		916,526	946,526

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 July 2014

15.	BORROWINGS	2014 £	2013 £
	Unsecured loan stock	90,000	120,000
		90,000	120,000
	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	£	£
	Due within one year Due after more than one year	30,000 60,000	30,000 90,000
•		90,000	120,000
		,	
	Analysis of loan repayments:	2014 £	2013 £
•	Loan Stock:		
	- within one year or on demand	30,000	
	- between one and two years	30,000	30,000
	between two and five yearsover five years	30,000	60,000
		90,000	120,000

The unsecured loan stock is held by the shareholders. A repayment schedule has been agreed with the shareholders, as shown above.

16. FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Operating leases

At 31 July the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

Land and buildings	2014 £	2013 £
Expiry date: - within one year - within two to five years	13,500	9,250
- after five years	28,000	25,500
· .	41,500	34,750

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 July 2014

17. SHARE CAPITAL

•	2014		2013	
	No.	£	No.	£
Allotted, called up and fully paid			•	•
'A' ordinary shares of 1p each	4,500	45	4,500	45
'B' ordinary shares of 1p each	4,500	45	4,500	45
'C' ordinary shares of 1p each	1,000	10	1,000	10
	-			
•	·	100		100

18. COMBINED STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS AND STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT ON RESERVES

	Issued share capital	Revaluation reserve	Profit and loss account	Total 2014 £	Total 2013
At beginning of year	100	1,023,280	1,572,254	2,595,634	2,285,832
Surplus on revaluation of assets	· -	-	-	-	225,359
Profit for the financial year		-	95,442	95,442	84,443
Transfer from revaluation reserve		(20,810)	20,810	· -	-
		 			
At end of year	100	1,002,470	1,688,506	2,691,076	2,595,634

19. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Guarantees

The assets of the company form part of the security provided for finance for the purchase of motor vehicles advanced to the subsidiary company E C Alderwick & Son Limited. The company has guaranteed £15,485 (2013: £35,313).

20. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year, the company received management income of £ 205,000 (2013: £200,000) from its subsidiary company E C Alderwick & Son Limited. In addition, E C Alderwick & Son Limited paid costs on behalf of the company amounting to £221,114 (2013: £207,747). At 31 July 2014, E C Alderwick & Son Limited was owed £ 59,526 by the company (2013: £123,451).

During the year and the prior year the company declared interest on the unsecured loan stock and paid all interest due. No amounts remained outstanding at 31 July 2014 (2013: £nil).

At 31 July 2013 and 31 July 2014, the company had loans from its subsidiary companies Thomas Davis (Funeral Directors) Limited and Debril Limited of £5,506 and £1,020 respectively.

21. BFD PREPAID FUNERAL FUNDS

The company operates a prepayment scheme for customers who wish to provide for their funeral in advance. Monies paid by customers are lodged with Custodian Trustees under the terms of a Trust Deed dated 16 October 1995 as modified by the Deeds of Variation dated 2 February 1999 and 26 March 2002. Income arising from these funds is incorporated within these financial statements.