

Empson Road Limited

Reports and Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2010

Company Registration Number 2371349



EMPSON ROAD LIMITED

**REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2010**

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DIRECTORS AND OTHER INFORMATION

DIRECTORS

Charles J. Carvill
Thomas Carvill
Michael Carvill
Colin Taylor

SECRETARY

Thomas Carvill

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

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Donegall Square North
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BT1 6JS

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors submit their report, together with the audited financial statements, for the year ended 30 June 2010

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the company is the development of commercial property in the UK

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS, RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The loss after taxation for the year was £37,076 compared to a loss of £44,298 in the prior year. The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2009: £nil)

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

In continuing to deliver returns to shareholders the identification and monitoring of risk is crucial. Property development activities offer the prospect of good returns but brings with it certain risks which are both market related and internally controlled such as time and cost over runs. The latter are managed by keeping a focus on strong project management. Risk is minimised by careful selection of projects and the identification of an end investor at the early stage of projects. Interest rate risk is managed by careful monitoring of company cash flow.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The company will continue to develop its properties and expects to investigate further projects and acquisitions as an expansion of its existing base of operations.

GOING CONCERN

The directors wish to draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements regarding the appropriateness of the going concern basis in the preparation of the financial statements.

POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

Please see Note 14 to the financial statements for details of post balance sheet events.

POLITICAL AND CHARITABLE DONATIONS

There were no political or charitable donations made during the year.

DIRECTORS

The present membership of the board is set out on page 2. There were no changes during the year.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

DIRECTORS' AND SECRETARY'S INTERESTS

None of the directors or secretary who held office at 30 June 2010 had an interest in the share capital of the company at 30 June 2010 or 1 July 2009

The following shares were held by the directors who held office at 30 June 2010 in the ultimate parent undertaking, Vico Properties plc, at 30 June 2010 and 1 July 2009

	Number of Ordinary Shares of Stg10p each	
	2010	2009
Charles J Carvill	336,420	336,420
Thomas Carvill	328,410	328,410
Michael Carvill	732,915	732,915
Colin Taylor	237,242	237,242

Carvill Group Limited holds 28.49% of the ordinary share capital of Vico Properties plc. Charles J, Michael, Thomas and Christopher Carvill and their families own 80% of the share capital of Carvill Group Limited, which has entered administration since the year-end

AUDITORS

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

- 1) so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware, and
- 2) 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 auditors are aware of that information

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

Pursuant to s386 Companies Act, 1985, an elective resolution was passed dispensing with the requirement to appoint auditors annually. This election was in force immediately before 1 October 2007. Therefore, Deloitte & Touche are deemed to continue as auditors. The company also resolved that while this election is in force the remuneration of the auditors will be fixed by the directors

By Order of the Board


Thomas Carvill
Secretary

11.08.2011
Date

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STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

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 judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable UK 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 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 EMPSON ROAD LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Empson Road Limited for the year ended 30 June 2010 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Accounting Policies and the related notes 1 to 14. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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 auditors' 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 auditors

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 (APB'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. 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 30 June 2010 and of its loss for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act, 2006.

Emphasis of matter – going concern

Without qualifying our opinion, we draw your attention to Note 1 to the financial statements which indicates that the company incurred a loss for the year of £37,076 and had net liabilities of £134,069 at the balance sheet date. The company had bank loans at the balance sheet date of £650,000 which are currently due for renewal. These conditions indicate the existence of a material uncertainty which may cast significant doubt about the company's ability to continue as a going concern. The company's ultimate parent undertaking, Vico Properties plc, which also has bank facilities due for renewal, has agreed to provide continued financial support. The directors are confident that on-going discussions with the company's and group's bankers will have a satisfactory outcome and that bank facilities will continue to be available to meet the directors' forecast of the cash requirements of the company and group for a minimum period of at least twelve months from the date of approval of the financial statements. The directors are satisfied that it is appropriate to continue to prepare the financial statements of the company on a going concern basis. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that would arise if the company was unable to continue as a going concern.

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF EMPSON ROAD LIMITED**

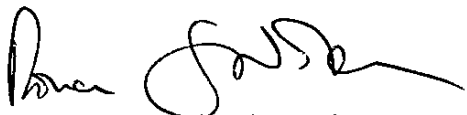
Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act, 2006

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



Ronan Nolan, FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Deloitte & Touche
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors
Dublin
Ireland

Date

11/8/11

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The significant accounting policies adopted by the company are as follows

BASIS OF PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

ACCOUNTING CONVENTION

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention

STOCKS

Sites held for development or sites for which no contract of sale exists are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value

Sites in the course of development for which irrevocable contracts of sale exist are stated at valuation which includes an appropriate portion of the anticipated profit on sale. Progress payments received are deducted from the valuation of work in progress. Cost represents the expenditure incurred on site, materials, direct labour and overheads in bringing the work in progress to its present condition

FINANCE COSTS

For properties in the course of development, cost includes finance costs from the commencement of development. These costs are normally calculated with reference to the actual interest rate applicable to the borrowings specific to the development

The period of development for the purpose of capitalising finance costs is deemed to be completed as follows

- (i) When the property is substantially let. Substantially let is defined as the date when 80% of the gross rental income becomes receivable
- (ii) When the building is occupied in the case of pre-let properties
- (iii) When income exceeds outgoings

Finance costs are reduced by rental income received during the period of development

TAXATION

Current tax is provided on the Company's taxable profits at amounts expected to be paid or recovered using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date

Deferred taxation is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date. Timing differences are differences between the company's taxable profits and its results as stated in the financial statements that arise from the inclusion of gains and losses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in the financial statements

Deferred tax is measured at the average tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which the timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date

Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that they are regarded as recoverable

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Foreign currency transactions are recorded in the financial statements at rates of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction

Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies, which are carried at current values, are translated into Sterling at rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Gains and losses on exchange are dealt with in full through the profit and loss account

EMPSON ROAD LIMITED**PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2010**

	<i>Notes</i>	2010 £	2009 £
TURNOVER		-	-
Cost of sales		-	-
GROSS LOSS		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Impairment charge		(37,076)	(44,298)
Interest receivable		-	-
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	2	(37,076)	(44,298)
Taxation	3	-	-
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION	9	(37,076)	(44,298)


All recognised gains and losses have been reflected in this profit and loss account. There were no movements in shareholders' funds other than the recognised gains and losses in the current and prior year. All profits and losses arose from continuing activities in the current and prior year.

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2010

	Notes	2010 £	2009 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	4	1,100,000	1,100,000
Cash and bank		310	72
		<u>1,100,310</u>	<u>1,100,072</u>
CREDITORS: (Amounts falling due within one year)	5	(379)	(65)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>1,099,931</u>	<u>1,100,007</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>1,099,931</u>	<u>1,100,007</u>
CREDITORS: (Amounts falling due after more than one year)	6	(1,234,000)	(1,197,000)
NET LIABILITIES		<u>(134,069)</u>	<u>(96,993)</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called-up share capital	8	100	100
Profit and loss account - deficit	9	(134,169)	(97,093)
SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT	10	<u>(134,069)</u>	<u>(96,993)</u>

The financial statements of Empson Road Limited, registered number 2371349, were approved by the Board of Directors on 11th August 2011 and signed on its behalf by


Director

Thomas Carroll

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2010

1. GOING CONCERN

The directors have given careful consideration to the appropriateness of the going concern basis in the preparation of the financial statements particularly as the Profit and Loss Account indicates that the company incurred a loss of £37,076 for the year ended 30 June 2010 (2009 £44,298), Note 6 to the Balance Sheet shows that the company had Bank Loans of £650,000 (2009 £650,000) on that date, and the company had net liabilities of £134,069 (2009 £96,993) at the balance sheet date

All of the group's banking facilities fall due for renewal currently. The group has deferred interest payments on bank loans due at the end of June 2011. The company's ultimate parent undertaking, Vico Properties plc, which also has bank facilities due for renewal, has agreed to provide continued financial support to the company. These conditions indicate the existence of a material uncertainty which may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern.

The directors have reviewed the current and projected financial position of the company and the group. The key areas reviewed include, the timing and value of property sales, committed future expenditure and the continued availability of existing banking facilities.

The group has recently secured detailed planning permission for a food store site in Northern Ireland. The planning permission for this site continues to be the subject of legal challenge, the outcome of which is not certain. Despite this uncertainty, negotiations with a food store operator for the sale of the site are at an advanced stage. The group has also recently secured detailed planning permission for another smaller food store site in Scotland. The group are in detailed discussions with a potential purchaser. The directors are optimistic that contracts for sale can be concluded, on both sites, which will lead to significant cash receipts over the coming twelve months.

The directors have taken steps to reduce cash outflows by significantly reducing group overhead and by careful management of the professional fee expenditure required to keep existing projects moving forward.

Discussions continue with the group bankers and the directors are confident that there will be a successful outcome to these discussions and that the banking facilities will continue to be made available to meet the directors' forecast of the cash requirements of the group for a minimum period which will extend to at least twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements.

Having considered the uncertainties described above the directors are confident that the company will have adequate resources available to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The directors are, therefore, of the opinion that it is appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in preparing these financial statements. The financial statements do not include the adjustments to the carrying amount or classification of assets and liabilities that would arise if the company was unable to continue as a going concern.

2. LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

2010
£

2009
£

Loss on ordinary activities before taxation
is arrived at after charging

Directors' remuneration
Auditors' remuneration

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Auditors' remuneration is borne by another group company

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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3. TAXATION	2010 £	2009 £
Taxation charge based on loss for the year	-	-
Taxation charge	-	-
Factors affecting tax charge for the year:		
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	(37,076)	(44,298)
Corporation tax 28% (2009 28%)	(10,381)	(12,403)
Group loss relief	10,381	4,486
Losses available for use in future years	-	7,917
	-	-

The company has tax losses of £28,276 that are available for offset against future taxable profits. A deferred tax asset of £7,917 has not been recognised in respect of these losses as the company has been loss making for some time and there is uncertainty as to when sufficient future taxable profits will be available to utilise these losses.

4. STOCKS	2010 £	2009 £
Work-in-progress	1,100,000	1,100,000

Sites held for development include interest capitalised net of rental income amounting to £688,860 (2009 £688,860)

5. CREDITORS. (Amounts falling due within one year)	2010 £	2009 £
Amounts due to group companies	379	65
	379	65

6. CREDITORS: (Amounts falling due after more than one year)	2010 £	2009 £
Bank loans (Note 7)	650,000	650,000
Amounts due to group companies	584,000	547,000
	1,234,000	1,197,000

EMPSON ROAD LIMITED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2010 (CONTINUED)****7. BANK LOANS**

The bank loans are secured by the following

- (a) A standard security in respect of office property at 243/245 St Vincent Street, Glasgow
- (b) The guarantee of Vico Properties plc for £650,000
- (c) The guarantee of Vico Properties East Anglia Limited for £650,000

8. CALLED-UP SHARE CAPITAL	2010	2009
	£	£
Authorised:		
10,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	10,000	10,000
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Allotted, called-up and fully paid:		
100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
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9. PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT	2010	2009
	£	£
Loss at beginning of the year	(97,093)	(52,795)
Loss for the year	(37,076)	(44,298)
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Loss at end of year	(134,169)	(97,093)
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10 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT	2010	2009
	£	£
Loss for the financial year	(37,076)	(44,298)
Opening shareholders' deficit	(96,993)	(52,695)
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Closing shareholders' deficit	(134,069)	(96,993)
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2010 (CONTINUED)

11. GROUP MEMBERSHIP

In the opinion of the directors, the company's parent undertaking is Vico Properties East Anglia Limited, a company incorporated in England. The parent company is exempt from the requirement to prepare consolidated financial statements in accordance with Section 402 of the Companies Act, 2006.

The company's ultimate parent undertaking is Vico Properties plc, a company incorporated in Northern Ireland. The parent undertaking of the largest and smallest group which includes the company and for which group financial statements are prepared, is Vico Properties plc.

Copies of the group financial statements of Vico Properties plc are available from

Companies House
Second Floor
The Linenhall
32 -38 Linenhall Street
Belfast
BT2 8BG

12. CASH FLOW STATEMENT

In accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 1, a cash flow statement has not been prepared for the company as the cash flows of the group are disclosed in the consolidated financial statements of the ultimate parent undertaking.

13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The directors have availed of the exemption available under Financial Reporting Standard No. 8 "Related Party Disclosures" which permits subsidiaries 100% of whose voting rights are controlled within the group, not to disclose transactions with other wholly owned entities of the group.

14. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

On 20 May 2011 Carvill Group Limited entered administration.

The group has recently secured detailed planning permission for a food store site in Northern Ireland. The planning permission for this site continues to be the subject of legal challenge, the outcome of which is not certain. Despite this uncertainty, negotiations with a food store operator for the sale of the site are at an advanced stage.

The group has also recently secured detailed planning permission for another smaller food store site in Scotland. The group are in detailed discussions with a potential purchaser.