Directors' report and financial statements

for the year ended 31 December 1994

Registered number 2376949



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Directors' report

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1994.

Principal activity and business review

The company ceased to trade on 31 July 1993, and has not traded during the year.

Directors and directors' interests

The director of the company during the year and his interest in the shares of the company's parent undertaking, Poundland Plc, were as follows:

	31 December 1994	31 December 1993
-	Ordinary shares	Ordinary shares
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SK Smith	49	. 49

Statement of 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;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on a 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 to 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.



Directors' report (continued)

Auditors

On 6 February 1995 our auditors changed the name under which they practise to KPMG and, accordingly, have signed their report in their new name.

It is proposed that the company should be exempt from the obligation to appoint auditors in accordance with Section 250(1) of the Companies Act 1985 and a special resolution to this effect will be submitted to the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

By order of the board

Mrs T Smith

Secretary

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31 October 1995





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Report of the auditors to the members of Poundworld Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 1 the company's directors 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 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 considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material mis-statement, 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 31 December 1994 and of its result for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

KPMG

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors 31 October 1995



Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 1994

		Discontinued activities		
		Year	Year	
		ended	ended	
		31 December	31 December	
	Note	1994	1993	
		£	£	
Turnover	3	-	609,086	
Cost of sales			(463,302)	
Gross profit		-	145,784	
Administrative expenses			(148,565)	
Operating loss	4	-	(2,781)	
Interest payable	6		(5)	
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation		-	(2,786)	
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	7			
Loss for the financial year	11	-	(2,786)	

The notes on pages 6 to 9 form part of the financial statements.

The company ceased to trade on 31 July 1993 when, as explained in note 2, the trade and assets of the company were transferred to its immediate parent undertaking.

Statement of total recognised gains and losses

There is no difference between the reported result/(loss) and the total recognised result/(loss) in either the current or preceding financial year.

The reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds is shown in note 11.

Historical cost profits

There is no difference between the result/(loss) as disclosed in the profit and loss account and the result/(loss) on an unmodified historical cost basis in either the current or preceding financial year.



Balance sheet at 31 December 1994

	Note	1994 £	1993 £
Creditors: amounts falling due			
within one year	8	(1,646)	(1,646)
Net liabilities	•	(1,646)	(1,646)
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	9	100	100
Profit and loss account	10	(1,746)	(1,746)
Total equity shareholders' fund	s .	(1,646)	(1,646)

These financial statements were approved by the director on 31 October 1995.

SK Smith Director

Notes

(forming part of the financial statements)

1 Principal accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements:

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards, on the basis of continuing support from Poundland plc, the company's parent undertaking.

Turnover

Turnover represents the invoiced amounts of goods sold, excluding VAT.

Depreciation

Depreciation on fixed assets is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of all fixed assets over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Fixtures and fittings

15% straight line

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and estimated net realisable value.

Deferred taxation

Provision is made in respect of timing differences arising from accelerated capital allowances and other timing differences to the extent that such liabilities are expected to become payable in the foreseeable future.

Leased assets

Amounts payable under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis.

Cash flow statement

The company has taken advantage of the exemption provided by paragraph 8c of the Financial Reporting Standard 1 and has not prepared a cash flow statement for the year.

2 Transfer of trade

On 31 July 1993, the trade and assets of the company were transferred to Poundland Plc, the parent undertaking registered in England and Wales.

3 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable, excluding trade discounts and value added tax, for goods and services supplied in the ordinary course of business, wholly within the UK.



Notes (continued)

4 Operating loss

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The operating loss is stated after charging the following:	Year ended 31 December	Year ended 31 December
	1994	1993
	£'000	£,000
Auditors' remuneration	-	951
Directors' emoluments	-	<u>.</u>
Hire of plant and machinery	_	325
Amounts written off tangible fixed assets	-	804
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Staff numbers and costs		
The average number of persons employed by the company during the follows:	he year, analysed b	y category, was as
· C	Year	Year
	ended	ended
	31 December	31 December
	1994	1993
	Number	Number
Selling and distribution		17
The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:	Year ended	Year ended

6 Interest payable

Wages and salaries

Social security costs

	Year ended 31 December	Year ended 31 December
	1994 £	1993 £
Bank interest	-	5

31 December

1994

£

31 December

1993

55,067

3,979

59,046

£



Notes (continued)

7	Tax on loss on ordinary activities		
		Year	Year
		ended 31 December	ended
		1994	31 December 1993
		£	£
		2	L
	Corporation tax based on the loss for the year	-	-
	•	***	
8	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
		1994	1993
		£	£
	Amounts owed to parent undertaking	1,646	1,646
			
9	Called up share capital		
	·	1994	1993
		£	£
	Authorised:		
	100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100

	Allotted, called up and fully paid:		
	100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
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10	Profit and loss account		
			£
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	At 1 January 1994 and at 31 December 1994		(1,746)
11	Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds		
		Year	Year
		ended 31 December	ended
		1994	31 December 1993
		£	1993 £
		~	*
	Loss for the financial year and net decrease in shareholders' funds	-	(2,786)
	Opening shareholders' funds	(1,646)	1,140
			
	Closing shareholders' funds	(1,646)	(1,646)
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Notes (continued)

## 12 Ultimate holding company

The company's ultimate parent undertaking at the balance sheet date was Poundland Plc, a company incorporated in England.

The results of the company are included within the group financial statements of Poundland Plc but are not included within any other group financial statements.

Copies of the group financial statements may be obtained from Units 3/4, Maple Leaf Industrial Estate, Bloxwich Lane, Walsall WS2 8TF.

