Notepike Limited Registered No: 2495515

Annual Report For the Year Ended 31 December 2000



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## Directors' Report For the Year Ended 31 December 2000

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000.

#### **Principal activities**

The company is a property holding company. The directors are confident about its future prospects.

#### Financial results

The results of the company are shown in the profit and loss account on page 4. The directors do not propose a dividend for the year (1999: £Nil).

#### **Directors**

The directors of the company who served during the year were:

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#### **Directors' interests**

The directors had no interests in the share capital of the company.

The interests of the directors in the share capital of Nestor Healthcare Group plc are disclosed in the financial statements of that company.

#### **Employee involvement**

The company's policies in respect of disabled persons and employee involvement are in accordance with those detailed in the financial statements of Nestor Healthcare Group plc, the ultimate holding company.

## Directors' Report For the Year Ended 31 December 2000 (Continued)

#### Statement of directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year that 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 the 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 that 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 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.

#### **Auditors**

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers, have indicated their willingness to continue in office, since the company has dispensed with the obligation to appoint auditors annually, PricewaterhouseCoopers will continue in office.

Approved by the Board on 17 October 2001, and signed on its behalf by

Company Secretary

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## Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Notepike Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 10 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 6.

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report. As described on page 2, this includes responsibility for preparing the financial statements, in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the United Kingdom Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Directors' report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding Directors' remuneration and transactions is not disclosed.

We read the other information contained in the Annual Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements.

#### Basis of audit 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 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 affairs at 31 December 2000 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

**PricewaterhouseCoopers** 

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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## Profit and Loss Account For the Year Ended 31 December 2000

•	Notes	2000 £	1999 £
Turnover		158,792	157,789
Administrative expenses		(158,792)	(157,789)
Operating loss	5	-	-
Interest payable	6	(58,106)	(55,333)
Loss before tax		(58,106)	(55,333)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	7	(18,064)	18,064
Loss for the financial year		(76,170)	(37,269)

There were no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the profits above, and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented.

All of the operations of the company are continuing.

There is no difference between the profit on ordinary activities before taxation and the retained profit for the year stated above and their historical cost equivalents.

The notes on pages 4 to 10 form an integral part of these financial statements.

## Balance Sheet At 31 December 2000

•	Notes	2000 £	1999 £
Current assets		~	τ.
Debtors	8	51,984	73,853
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Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	<b>9</b>	(1,038,540)	(993,535)
Net current liabilities		(986,556)	(919,682)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	10	(1,171,413)	(1,162,117)
Net liabilities		(2,157,969)	(2,081,799)
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	11	2	2
Reserves	12	(2,157,971)	(2,081,801)
Equity shareholders' deficit	13	(2,157,969)	(2,081,799)

The financial statements on pages 4 to 10 were approved by the Board of Directors on 17 October 2001 and were signed on its behalf by:

Director<sup>(</sup>

The notes on pages 4 to 10 form an integral part of these financial statements.

## Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 December 2000

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom under the historical cost convention. Accounts are made up to the nearest practicable Friday to 31 December each year.

A summary of the more important accounting policies, which have been applied consistently, except as noted, is set out below.

#### Leases

Where fixed assets are financed by leasing agreements which give rights approximately equivalent to ownership (finance lease) the assets are capitalised. The corresponding lease commitments are treated as obligations to the lessor. All other lease payments are charged to the profit and loss account in the year to which they relate.

#### Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided on the liability method where, in the opinion of the directors, it is probable that the liability will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

#### Cash flow statement and related party transactions

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Nestor Healthcare Group plc and is included in the consolidated financial statements of Nestor Healthcare Group plc, which are publicly available. Consequently, the company is exempt under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 1 (revised 1996) from preparing its own cash flow statement. The company is also exempt under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 8 from disclosing related party transactions with entities that are part of the Nestor Healthcare Group plc group or investees of the Nestor Healthcare Group plc group.

#### 2 Turnover

Turnover represents the amount of rent receivable from properties sub-let by the Company, net of value added tax. All turnover is attributable to the UK market.

#### 3 Employee information

The company had no employees during the financial year (1999: Nil).

## Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 December 2000

## 4 Directors' emoluments

None of the directors received any emoluments during the year (1999: Nil).

## 5 Operating loss

Operating loss		
	2000	1999
	£	£
Operating loss is stated after charging:		
Gross rental of premises (operating lease costs)	211,716	216,610
Other operating (credits)/charges	(4,114)	1,395
Auditors' remuneration is borne by the parent company.		
Interest payable		
	2000	1999
	£	£
Unwinding of discount in provisions (note 10)	58,106	55,333
Tax on loss on ordinary activities		
	2000	1999
	3	£
UK Corporation Tax at 30% (1999 - 30.25%) on taxable losses for the		
year	-	(18,064)
Under provision in previous years	18,064	
	18,064	(18,064)
Debtors		
	2000	1999
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Prepayment and accrued income	42,424	47,390
Other debtors	9,560	8,399
Corporation tax	A THE STATE OF THE	18,064
	51,984	73,853

## Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 December 2000

### 9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2000	1999
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Bank overdrafts	180,339	122,769
Amounts owed to other group companies	836,835	839,359
Accruals and deferred income	21,366	31,407
	1,038,540	993,535

## 10 Provisions for liabilities and charges

	Vacant properties £
At 1 January 2000	1,162,117
Utilised in the year	(48,810)
Amortisation of discount	58,106
At 31 December 2000	1,171,413

The Company has a number of vacant and sub-let properties relating to former retailing activities and which are located in the South of England. Full provision has been made for the residual lease commitments, together with other outgoings, after taking into account existing sub-tenant agreements, for the remaining period of the leases. In determining the provision for vacant properties, the cash flows have been discounted on a pre-tax basis using appropriate government bond rates.

### 11 Called up share capital

	2000	1999
	£	£
Authorised:		
1,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000
Issued and fully paid:		
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2 Ordinary shares of £1 each	2	2

## **Notes to the Financial Statements** For the Year Ended 31 December 2000

#### 12 Reserves

		£
At 1 January 2000 Loss for the year	 	(2,081,801) (76,170)
At 31 December 2000	 	(2,157,971)

#### Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' deficit 13

£

Opening shareholders' deficit: Loss for the financial year	(2,081,799) (76,170)

#### Financial commitments 14

The company occupies numerous premises operated under leases whose terms, conditions and expiry dates vary considerably.

At 31 December 2000 the company had annual commitments in respect of operating leases as follows:

	Land and buildings	
	2000	1999
For leases expiring:	£	£
- within 1 year	•	-
- between two and five years	30,000	21,500
- beyond five years	184,500	139,000

Nestor Healthcare Group plc, the parent company, has confirmed its intention to continue to provide financial support. Accordingly, no provision has been made in these financial statements for the company's obligations under the leases.

## Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 December 2000

## 15 Ultimate parent undertaking

The company's ultimate parent undertaking is Nestor Healthcare Group plc which is registered in England and Wales and heads up the largest and smallest group for which consolidated accounts incorporating this company are drawn up. Copies of the ultimate holding company's consolidated financial statements may be obtained from its registered offices, The Colonnades, Beaconsfield Close, Hatfield, Hertfordshire, AL10 8YD.